

A meeting of the Economic Development Authority of the Town of Appomattox was held on Tuesday, March 12, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at the Appomattox Municipal Building, 210 Linden Street, Appomattox, Virginia.

Present: Dr. Jeffrey Garrett, Ms. Mary Lou Spiggle, Mr. Kenny Gobble, Mrs. Claudia G. Puckette, Mrs. Donna Preston, Mr. Ron Coleman and Ms. Kelsey Moore.

Others present: Terry McGhee; Town Manager, Christy Torrence; Interim Clerk of Council, Nathan and Kaylee Simpson, Don and Nancy Wilks

Dr. Garrett called the meeting to order.

Christy Torrence, Interim Town Clerk, advised that Ms. Kelsey Moore was sworn in for the term expiring December 31, 2026, and received her Oath of Office Certificate prior to the start of the meeting.

Approval of the Agenda

On a motion by Ms. Spiggle, seconded by Mr. Gobble, the Town EDA voted to approve the agenda for March 12, 2024. All members present voting aye. Motion carried 7-0.

Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Ms. Spiggle, seconded by Mr. Gobble, the Town EDA voted to approve the February 13, 2024, meeting minutes. All members present voting aye. Motion carried 7-0.

Financial Report

The Town EDA accepted the Financial Report of \$21,442.38 as of February 29, 2024.

Unfinished Business:

A brief discussion was held on the County's participation in an incentive package. Mr. Garrett mentioned that Gary Bosiger with the County EDA is in favor of the County EDA going in with the Town EDA. This will be revisited at next month's meeting.

New Business:

Mr. Kristain Tibbets joined via phone to discuss his business plan as a potential buyer for the old Appomattox hardware building. He would like to use the main floor as an affordable/upscale family restaurant called "Peacemaker." Upstairs he would have office space for a brokerage firm and an Appomattox Agriculture Coop. He would like to work on offering a "Farm to Schools" program "Virginia schools eat Virginia food" here in Appomattox. He is requesting that the Town apply for the grant and he would like a letter of support.

With no further business, the EDA meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

Christy Torrence
Interim Clerk of Council

Dr. Jeffrey Garrett, Chairman