

CASWELL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

AGENDA

March 11, 2024

1:00 P.M.

Meeting will resume at the Municipal Building

✓ Call to Order	Alvin Foster
✓ Welcome	Alvin Foster
✓ Roll Call	Shirley Wilson
✓ Approval of Minutes	Alvin Foster
✓ Approval of Agenda	Alvin Foster
✓ Old Business	Alvin Foster
✓ EDC Update:	
✓ County Manager	Scott Meszaros
✓ Deputy County Manager	Melissa Williamson
PCC	Dr. Senegal
CCCOC	Jillian Medlin
Town of Yanceyville	Alvin Foster
Ag. Update	Travis Hoesli
Town of Milton	Shirley Wilson
Tourism	Amanda Hodges
Caswell County Scho	N/A
New Business	Open to All
Other Information	
Adjourn	

CASWELL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

February 12, 2024—Minutes

CALL TO ORDER: Alvin Foster at 1:00 p.m.

Members Present: Alvin Foster, Kamara Barnett, Shirley Cadmus, Jackie Jeffries, Emily Buchanan,

Zoom: Shirley Wilson, Dr. Senegal, Tony Smith

Members Absent: Ruby Graves, Dr. Carla Murray, Jillian Medlin, Melissa Williamson, Cathia Stewart

Welcome: Alvin Foster

Roll Call: Shirley Wilson

Approval of Minutes: January 08, 2024 Minutes, Tony Smith motioned to approve the January 08, 2024, Minutes and Emily Buchanan, seconded the motion. were in favor.

Approval, Agenda: Tony Smith motioned to approve the February 12, 2024, Agenda, seconded by Emily Buchanan. All were in favor.

Old Business:

EDC Update- Tony Smith

- ✦ 2021 Audit is complete and filed in Raleigh.
- ✦ Progressing on 2022-2023
- ✦ Courthouse remodeling
- ✦ Budget Process has kicked off much earlier this year.
- ✦ Broad Band System-Zytel and Spectrum are ready to go.
- ✦ Engineering is already in place but the NC department electrical and Technology is holding them up because they do not have the funding in place to pay the contractors. Once this is ironed out, they will get the connection in the various homes. Zytel has a contract to connect 3,812 homes and Spectrum has a contract to connect 606 homes. Material is already paid for and ready to go.
- ✦ The Parks and Recreation Department received a Grant of \$12,500.00 from the Community Foundation of Danville River and they will use this money to buy new playground equipment.
- ✦ Economic Development: The Board of Commissioners approved a contract for fifteen to twenty thousand dollars to cut timber at the Pelham Industrial Park. These funds will be used to put back into the park, cut and entrance from the road and signage.
- ✦ Working with the Industrial prospect mentioned earlier things are proceeding. A letter of intent is on the County Managers desk.

County Manager-Scott Meszaros

PCC: Dr. Senegal/Emily Buchanan

- ✦ A round of eight-week classes will begin in March. Encourage your family members, neighbors, friends etc. who still need classes, they still have lots of opportunities.
- ✦ Overall enrollment for college is up by 15% from Sprig to Spring
- ✦ Person County Commissioners did vote to approve the purchase of a 91,000 sq. feet facility for the Person County Campus that will become the new home for Health Advance Technology and Trades.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE: Jillian

- ✦ Thirty new members over the last year.
- ✦ People are reaching out trying to figure out how to start a business.
- ✦ Collaborating with PCC small business center
- ✦ Annual Membership banquet in April 2024

TOWN OF YANCEYVILLE: Alvin Foster/Kamara

- ✦ Joint Meeting Thursday night Town of Yanceyville, Town of Milton 6:00 at the Municipal Building
- ✦ In the process of working on a Master Plan the Pavilion Area will include the Farmers Market
- ✦ Received a Grant from the Tobacco Trust Fund
- ✦ Met last week concerning NC 86 Project Mr. Foster explained the process.
- ✦ Build Relationships and Advocate
- ✦ Two northbound passing lanes and one going south.

AG UPDATE: TRAVIS HOESLI:

- ✦ Awarded a Grant from _____ Foundation for the Technology Program we are implementing.
- ✦ Will be purchasing several pieces of equipment to be rented out to the Ag Community here.
- ✦ Two different transplanters to be used by the small vegetable farmers. Travis explained the use of the equipment.
- ✦ Training over the next two years.
- ✦ April 10, 2024, we will be working with A&T (Workshop)
- ✦ Co-Op Expand enterprises today and tomorrow. (February 12 and 13, 2024).

TOWN OF MILTON: Shirley Wilson:

- ↓ The State has started construction at the Thomas Day House Union Tavern
- ↓ Meeting on February 29, 2024, with the Governor attending.
- ↓ Milton Town Meeting will convene at 11928 Academy Street (old Women Club) tomorrow February 13, 2024, at 7:00 due to construction at the Thomas Day House Union Tavern
- ↓ Interviewing for a Part-Time Finance Officer
- ↓ The Merchants Association in Milton are advertising for recipes for the Milton Cookbook
- ↓ Representative Renee Price and Senator Meyers visited Milton on January 30, 2024
- ↓

AMANDA HODGES: TOURISM/NA

- ↓ Caswell County Tourism has given out the final Grant (25,000.00)
- ↓ Caswell County Historical Association received a \$37, 500.00 Grant.
- ↓ Partnered with Person County, Granville County (Amanda Hodges Explained Tracking)

Dr. Murray CCS: N/A

NEW BUSINESS: N/A

Other: Loren Hill and Tracy Dill: NC Carolina Core PowerPoint Presentation

- ↓ Help with local projects by using the Carolina Core Brand
- ↓ 19 Core Counties
- ↓ 2018 first announced 50, 000 jobs.
- ↓ 2038 100,000 jobs.
- ↓ Can accommodate mega sites

Adjourn: Alvin Foster adjourned the meeting 1:45 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Shirley Wilson, Secretary

Per/Kamara Graves Barnett

Caswell EDC Meeting

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Monday, March 11, 2024 1:00 PM | 1 hour | (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

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