

CASWELL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

AGENDA

September 11, 2023

1:05 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

EDC Update:

Tony Smith

County Manager

Tony Smith

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 Schools

Asst. Superintendent

New Business

Other Information

Open to All

Adjourn

CASWELL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

August 14, 2023

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

Members Present: Alvin Foster, Shirley Wilson, Kamara Graves, Tony Smith, Amanda Hodges, Matthew Hoagland, Shirley Cadmus, Dr. Senegal, Emily Buchanan, Cathia Stewart, Laura Picardo, Travis Hoesli

Zoom:

Members Absent: Bryan Miller, Ruby Graves, Rick McVey, Dr. Carla Murray, Jillian Medlin, Melissa Williamson

Guest:

Welcome: Alvin Foster

Roll Call: Shirley Wilson

Alvin Foster, Chairperson: Stated that Bryan Miller is no longer County Manager. Tony Smith is serving as interim County Manager until further notice.

Approval of Minutes: July 10, 2023, Emily Buchanan motioned to approve the **July 10, 2023,** Minutes and Shirley Cadmus seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Approval August 14, 2023, Agenda: Tony Smith motioned to approve the **August 14, 2023,** Agenda, seconded by Emily Buchanan. All were in favor.

Old Business: N/A

EDC Update- Tony Smith

County Manager-Tony Smith

- ✦ **The County Manager** submitted the initial project worksheets this morning July 10, 2023, to Golden Leaf. Two projects were received: PCC and Caswell County Cooperative Extension.
- ✦ Will hear back from Golden Leaf on July 19th or the 20th to review the projects. On August 10th by noon the County Manager will submit the final list of projects to Golden Leaf. February 1st, 2024, Golden Leaf will review the applications and award funds for the projects.
- ✦ **Internet Update:** County Manager said he will be meeting with Spectrum sometime next week.
- ✦ Spectrum will be done in the county in a month and a half.
- ✦ Spectrum has been awarded 606 addresses through the second round of the Great Grant.

PCC: Dr. Senegal/Emily Buchanan

- ✦ **1st Day of School (Fall Semester)**
- ✦ **Progress on the CEAD Project moving forward.**
- ✦ **Improvements of the facility**
- ✦ **Working closely with the School System**

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE: Jillian Medlin

- ✦ **Hoedown** is September 23, 2023

TOWN OF YANCEYVILLE: Alvin Foster/Kamara

- ✦ **First Friday** continues to be successful. Cruz In is doing well.
- ✦ 9-11 Memorable September 11, 2023, at 11:00 at the Memorial Site
- ✦ Old Studio Baptist Home had 4 trainings.
- ✦ Studios: Gaming company out of Raleigh still own the property. Trying to sell the property.
- ✦ Bought out a Gaming (Arcade, ATM) facility in Winston Salem

AG UPDATE: TRAVIS HOESLI: Continue to have farmers switch over to vegetables.

- ✦ **Food Safety Program in November 2023**
- ✦ **Agriculture Venture Grant will open again in September 2023**
- ✦ **Received input on how to select ___ for the region (Explained)**
- ✦ **Small Boot Camp**

TOWN OF MILTON: Shirley Wilson: Shirley Cadmus:

- ✦ **Merchants Association** started with 501-C (3)
- ✦ **Plan and Advertise events.**
- ✦ **Explained what will be advertised.**

AMANDA HODGES: TOURISM

- ✦ Website should be complete and accessible before the Hoedown.
- ✦ 4 Grants received (have to get more information) criteria.
- ✦ Letters going out-reviewing patterns from surrounding counties.
- ✦ Primary source of funding

Dr. Murray CCS: N/A