

VCEDA BOARD APPROVED

VCEDA May '22 Meeting

VENANGO COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Meeting Minutes

May 16, 2022

Franklin Chamber of Commerce
1255 Liberty Street, Franklin PA 16323

Present:

Bill Moon
Bonnie Summers
Sam Breene
Alan Schiller

Staff:

Emily Lewis
Taylor Mosher

Guests:

Ashley Smith, VCRPC
Kara O'Neil, The Derrick
Rich Winkler, Solicitor

Excused:

Rod Griffin
Chip Abramovic
Mike Dulaney

I. Call to Order

The monthly board meeting was called to order by Sam Breene at 10:50 A.M.

II. Approval of Minutes

a. 4/19/2022 Regular Meeting Minutes

- ✓ Motion to approve the meeting minutes by Bonnie Summers; Seconded by Bill Moon. So moved.

III. Public Comment on Agenda Items

None. So moved.

IV. Special Purpose Matters

V. Financial Report

a. Diona Brick presented the financial report. She then presented the balance sheet through April and a list of invoices paid. She noted that the reported audit has begun.

- ✓ Motion to accept the financial report including invoices by Alan Schiller; Seconded by Bill Moon. All in favor. So moved.

VI. Ongoing Projects

a. 100 Seneca at Cornplanter Square

i. Funding Timeline

Emily presented to the board that the Authority was awarded an additional \$250,000 from RACP. She noted that she is waiting to hear about any other funding awards.

ii. Construction Timeline

Emily reported that in Package A – Building Infrastructure, construction duration is moving forward and the contract has been expanded to close out by the end of April 2023 due to HVAC equipment and material lead time items.

Package B – Masonry Repairs is planned to be completed by the end of November 2022. Emily reported to the board that the construction crew removed a window on the third floor of the building on Sycamore Street to get equipment into the building and for airflow purposes. The window is being stored on-site.

VII. Staff Report

- a. Taylor gave an update on the eAcademy. She noted that she has been communicating with schools about the next school year and has been planning/updating the curriculum for the program. Taylor informed the board that the end-of-year Demo Day is going to be held at Clarion Campus Venango at 5pm and is open to the public. Franklin Industries will be in attendance to award the winner with the \$1,000 scholarship. She noted that the group toured Whitehill Center and Stronghold Digital Mining company.
- b. Emily noted that she is opening the RFP next week for the site supervision services of 100 Seneca. She updated the board on the strategic planning session with the subcommittee discussing plans for fifth floor, first floor, and potential plans for floors two thru four.

VIII. Around the Table Report

Bonnie Summers mentioned that the Cranberry Economic Development Authority met with Hershey School representatives and Life NWPAs representatives discussing possible sites but nothing has been submitted yet. She also noted that the VA Clinic has broken ground on property near Home Depot.

Bill Moon applauded the façade work being done throughout Oil City and noted that Fam Jam was a successful event.

IX. Public Comment – General

X. Adjournment

- ✓ Motion to adjourn by Bonnie Summers; Seconded by Bill Moon at 11:07am.

Respectfully submitted,
Ashley Smith, VCRPC