

**DUPLIN COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
BOARD MEETING
Friday, June 3, 2022
7:00am**

OPEN SESSION MINUTES

Present: Charley Farris, Glenn Cavanaugh, Kevin Smith, Ken Smith, Roger Davis, Dean Lee, Carrie Shields, Teresa Chambers

Absent: Don Tabor, Al Searles

Guests: Lynn Moore & Phil Prescott, NC Works Center

I. CALL TO ORDER

- Meeting began at 7:06am and was called into order by Charley Farris

II. CONSENT AGENDA

- **Approval of past board minutes from May**
- **Review of bank statement**
- **The motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Ken Smith, seconded by Dean Lee and passed unanimously.**

III. OLD BUSINESS

- **Airport Projects**
 - Fuel Farm – work continues
 - AWOS is still in the works; no timeframe for completion at this time
- **Golden Leaf**
 - \$1 million SITE Grant
 - \$1.5 million Southeast prosperity zone money
 - JSCC Representative along with EDC present availability of monies to Kenansville town board to address the need for assistance with sewer needs
 - Offer annexation option in Airpark to town
 - Approach Town of Warsaw with sewer availability needs
- **NCSE Monies**
 - LOI deadline is June 30th - \$262k
 - Board advised to request Parrish & Partners provide cost on design for connecting road and infrastructure.
 - Round table meeting update
 - All 18 counties within NCSE met with NC Commerce this week
 - Bladen, Sampson and Duplin made joint request of \$9 million (\$3 mil for each county) for product development
 - Board considers inviting county rep from NCSE to Duplin for tour

IV. NEW BUSINESS

- **Event Center**
 - EDC sponsoring upgrade to green room
 - New paint, décor in time for concert on Jun 25th
- **July EDC Meeting**
 - Request to skip meeting for July due to director's absence was approved by board

V. REQUEST TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION

- The motion to adjourn to closed session was made by Ken Smith, seconded by Glenn Cavanaugh and passed unanimously.

VI. ADJOURN

- The motion to adjourn the open session was made by Ken Smith and seconded by Roger Davis and passed unanimously.