

WASHINGTON WILKES DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Commissioner's Conference Room

Date: March 29, 2019

Time: 8:30 AM

Purpose: Called Meeting

Opening Session: Called to order by Chairman Sam Moore with members Jack Harvey, Ed Pope III and Ruthie Clements present. Karen Burton was also present along with a few visitors.

Motion was made by Ruthie Clements and seconded by Ed Pope III to approve the minutes of the last meeting as presented. Motion carried 4-0.

Moore reported than Canfor still had plans to come to Wilkes County. Canfor has a meeting planned for early April to meet with builders to discuss costs.

Moore reported that a Diesel Plant that takes waste timber products has expressed interest in coming here.

Moore reported that he had met several times with prospects interested in having a chestnut farm in the county. Moore stated he had given them landowner information and realtor information.

Moore stated Callaway Farms is still waiting on information from their insurance company on the fire damage.

Moore reported that Berry Plastics had signed the Lease Agreement presented by the Board. Payments of \$12,431.00 will be paid for a term of one year (Jan. 2019 - Jan. 2020).

Moore stated that Steve Gillespie had been given contact information for the state.

Ed Pope III mentioned that a prospect was working with the bank on getting the Post Plant up and running.

Sherrie Bailey, City Administrator, and Janet Parker, Director of Historic Properties & Mainstreet Director, spoke to the Board in reference to Ms. Parker assuming the duties of Economic Director for the Authority. Ms. Parker gave a description of her experience and what she hopes to accomplish if she assumes the position. Bailey and Moore had discussed the PDA supplementing her salary.

Motion was made by Ruthie Clements and seconded by Ed Pope III to go into executive session (9:15 am).

The Board returned to general session at 9:55 am. Motion was made by Ed Pope III and seconded by Ruthie Clements to authorize Moore to discuss and negotiate with the City in reference to Janet Parker. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion was made by Ed Pope III and seconded by Jack Harvey to adjourn. Motion carried 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 11:00 am.

WASHINGTON WILKES DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Commissioner's Conference Room

Date: June 26, 2019

Time: 5:30 pm

Purpose: Called Meeting

Opening Session: Called to order by Chairman Sam Moore with members Ames Barnett, Jack Harvey, Ed Pope III and Ruthie Clements present. Karen Burton, Janet Parker and a few visitors were also present.

Motion was made by Ruthie Clements and seconded by Ames Barnett to approve the minutes of the last meeting as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Moore called on Janet Parker for Economic Development Reports:

An update was provided on prospective new businesses and expansions of existing businesses.

An update was provided on workforce development and infrastructure projects at existing businesses.

A school career fair was held at WW Comprehensive High School on 5.20.19, 11 businesses participated.

Discussion on a software vendor who can provide real-time economic and demographic data on a proposed PDA/Economic Development website was held.

Update on marketing efforts of the former Novipax site was held.

A discussion on Project Cali was held. Motion was made by Ruthie Clements and seconded by Ames Barnett to enter into a Letter of Intent contingent on creditworthiness of prospect.

Motion was made by Ruthie Clements and seconded by Ames Barnett to adjourn. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm.

WASHINGTON WILKES DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Commissioner's Conference Room

Date: July 25, 2019

Time: 8:30 am

Purpose: Called Meeting

Opening Session: Called to order by Chairman Sam Moore with members Ames Barnett, Jack Harvey, Ed Pope III and Ruthie Clements present. Karen Burton, Janet Parker, Charles LeGette and a few visitors were also present.

Motion was made by Ruthie Clements and seconded by Ed Pope III to approve the minutes of the last meeting as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Moore introduced representatives from WaHa Tech Farms - a "business technology farm". Representatives were asking the PDA to approve backing a loan covering the land and transformer. After a brief presentation of their business plan, motion was made by Ames Barnett and seconded by Ruthie Clements for the development authority to approve the loan as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion was made by Ed Pope III and seconded by Ruthie Clements to adjourn. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:50 am.

WASHINGTON WILKES DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Commissioner's Conference Room

Date: September 27, 2019

Time: 8:30 am

Purpose: Called Meeting

Opening Session: Called to order by Chairman Sam Moore with members Ames Barnett, Jack Harvey, Ed Pope III and Ruthie Clements present. Karen Burton, Janet Parker, Charles LeGette and Ron Bertasi with GIS WebTech were also present

Motion was made by Ruthie Clements and seconded by Ed Pope to approve the minutes of the last meeting as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

IP East and IP West sites were discussed for the purpose of strategic planning for proposed projects.

Project Hitchcock was discussed. Motion was made by Ruthie Clements for the PDA to sell 5 acres at Sharon Rd and Braxton Rd to project developer for use as a data center. Motion was seconded by Ames Barnett. Motion carried 5-0.

A WWPDA website was discussed. Ron Bertasi with GIS WebTech gave a presentation on demographics mapping software. The discussion was tabled pending further research.

A was given on WaHa project and two industrial prospects.

Motion was made by Ruthie Clements and seconded by Ames Barnett to adjourn. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:30 am.

WASHINGTON WILKES DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Commissioner's Conference Room

Date: June 19, 2020

Time: 8:30 am

Purpose: Called Meeting

Opening Session: Called to order by Chairman Sam Moore with members Bill deGolian, Jack Harvey, Ed Pope III and John Keen present. Karen Burton, Janet Parker and Charles LeGette were also present.

Motion was made by Jack Harvey and seconded by Ed Pope III to approve the minutes of the last meeting as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Moore called on Janet Parker for Economic Development Reports:

An update was provided on prospective new businesses

Discussion was held on property tax abatement for Project Coronal

Motion was made by Ed Pope III and seconded by John Keen to offer Project Coronal tax abatement.

Motion was made by Jack Harvey and seconded by Bill deGolian to adjourn. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:50 am.