

**Bath County EDA
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Report
Warm Springs, VA 24484**

**August 14, 2019
Meeting**

Chair Joe Wood opened its regularly scheduled meeting at Bath County library Wednesday, July 12, 2019 at 6:00 PM and led all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members in attendance: Tommy Black, John Fischer, Pat Haynes, Laura Shaver, Stephen Terry and Joe Wood.

Staff: EDA Attorney Chris Singleton and Bath County Administrator Ashton Harrison

Guests: Mike Bollinger, The Recorder

Agenda as distributed was approved unanimously.

Previously distributed **Minutes** of the June meeting were approved by all.

Legal Counsel Report: Attorney Singleton had nothing to report but solicited questions from members.

Treasurer's Report: Fischer moved, seconded by Black, that Treasurer's Haynes' report be accepted and bills presented for payment be approved – unanimously passed.

Old Business: Housing. Harrison commented that Bath County has executed successful housing projects in the past and that the County's awarding housing analysis (under grant) to a consultant will be in August. Members discussed how EDA can provide leadership role for housing efforts by underscoring housing projects' role in the economic growth and well-being of our community. Members also observed how the Omni Homestead's rehabilitation program under its EDA-supported lodging tax program will serve as an important economic engine to the County and to attract additional private investment in the county, including housing. Fischer mentioned the importance of EDA's participation in Bath's Housing Commission and, to that end, moved, seconded by Haynes that

Chair Wood invite EDA's Housing Commission representative, Karen Williams to our next meeting.

New Business: Job Fair. Haynes note that EDA should publicize that there is a lot of work available to independent contractors. He moved, seconded by Shaver that the Job Fair Committee's recommendation for postponing indefinitely a Job Fair in Bath County be accepted. Approved by all.

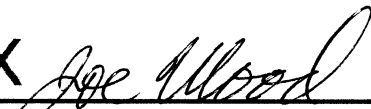
Resignation. Terry announced his intention to resign from EDA because of his relocating out of the county. He thanked EDA members for his experiencing a board that worked together and pleasantly.

Terry moved, seconded by Shaver to enter into closed session pursuant to VA Code 2.2-3711(A29) Contracts, and all approved. After exiting closed session, upon polling by Chair Wood, all affirmed that nothing outside subjects pursuant to Code 2.2-3711 (A29) was discussed during closed session.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Fischer, Secretary

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Joe Wood
Chair

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John Fischer
Secretary