



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING
AGENDA
May 26, 2026
5:30 PM

Council Chambers, Rocky Mount Municipal Building
345 Donald Avenue, Rocky Mount, Virginia

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Call to Order and Welcome

1. Roll Call of Members Present
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Approval of Draft Minutes
 - 3.a. March 24, 2026 - Regular Meeting Minutes
4. Secretary's Report
5. Staff Updates
6. Committee Reports (None)
7. Old Business
8. New Business
 - 8.a. Harvester Quarterly Accounting
9. Authority Board Comments
10. Upcoming networking events & EDA Meeting
 - 10.a. Community Partnership - June 4, 2026 5:30pm (Train Depot/Welcome Center)
 - 10.b. Franklin County Connects - June 10, 2026 9:00am (Franklin Center)
11. Adjournment

**TOWN OF ROCKY MOUNT
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
March 24, 2026
5:30 P.M.**

The Economic Development Authority (EDA) of the Town of Rocky Mount, Virginia met at the Rocky Mount Municipal Building on Tuesday, March 24, 2026, at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS PRESENT

Board Members Present: Vice Chair Justin Muse, Kera Matthews, Melanie Wright at 5:32pm, Doug Guilliams, Bernice Cobbs, and J.T. Edwards

Board Members Absent: Ruth Cook

Others Present: Economic Development Director Daniel Pinard and EDA Secretary/Treasurer Cherie Compton

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Mr. Pinard opened the floor for nominations for Chair. Member Bernice Cobbs made a motion to elect Justin Muse as Chair. Hearing no further nominations, Mr. Pinard declared nominations closed for Chair.

Motion By: Member Bernice Cobbs

Second: Member J.T. Edwards

Action: The board members voted to elect Justin Muse as Chair

Chair Justin Muse opened the floor for nominations for Vice Chair. Chair Justin Muse made a motion for Member Bernice Cobbs to be elected as Vice Chair. Hearing no further nominations, Mr. Muse declared nominations closed for Vice Chair.

Motion By: Chair Justin Muse

Second: Member Doug Guilliams

Action: The board members voted to elect Bernice Cobbs as Vice Chair

Chair Justin Muse opened the floor for nominations for Secretary/Treasurer. Member Doug Guilliams made a motion for Cherie Compton to remain the Secretary/Treasurer. Hearing no further nominations, Mr. Muse declared nominations closed for Secretary/Treasurer.

Motion By: Member Doug Guilliams

Second: Member J.T. Edwards

Action: The board members voted to elect Cherie Compton as Secretary/Treasurer

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Additions or Corrections: None

Motion: To approve the agenda as presented

Motion By: Member Doug Guilliams

Second: Vice Chair Bernice Cobbs

Action: Approved by a unanimous vote of members present

REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

Let the record show that prior to the meeting, the Economic Development Authority received the following draft minutes for review and consideration of approval:

October 28, 2025 - Regular Meeting Minutes
December 4, 2025 - Special Called Meeting Minutes

Motion: To approve minutes as presented

Motion By: Vice Chair Bernice Cobbs

Second: Member Melanie Wright

Action: Approved by a unanimous vote of members present

SECRETARY REPORT

Secretary/Treasurer Cherie Compton advised members that the statement ending February 28, 2026, had a balance of \$37,900.00.

STAFF UPDATES

Economic Development Director Daniel Pinard provided economic development & business updates.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None at this time

OLD BUSINESS

None at this time

NEW BUSINESS

Quarterly Payments

Mr. Pinard requested the EDA to accept the checks from the Town for \$300,000 and requested the quarterly accounting checks to be written to the Harvester Performance Center LLC in the amount of \$300,000.

Motion: To accept the checks from the Town in the amount of \$300,000 and the checks to be written to the Harvester Performance Center LLC in the amount of \$300,000

Motion By: Vice Chair Bernice Cobbs

Second: Member Melanie Wright

Action: Approved by a unanimous vote of members present

AUTHORITY BOARD COMMENTS

Members inquired about the old bank building and the downtown hotel that had not had any more movement. Daniel stated he had interest in the bank building and showed it to a couple of developers.

UPCOMING NETWORKING EVENTS & EDA MEETINGS

Chair Muse reminded members of various upcoming events for April and May.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn By: Member J.T. Edwards

Second: Member Melanie Wright

Action: Adjourned by a unanimous vote of members present

Time of Adjournment: 6:03 p.m.

Justin Muse, Chair

ATTEST:

Cherie Compton, Secretary/Treasurer

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