



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING
AGENDA
July 28, 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. May 26, 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 Connects - August 6, 2026 5:00pm (Location TBD)
 - 10.b. Franklin County Connects - August 12, 2026 9:00am (Franklin Center)
11. Adjournment

**TOWN OF ROCKY MOUNT
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
May 26, 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, May 26, 2026, at 5:30 p.m.

Board Members Present:

- Chair Justin Muse
- Vice Chair Bernice Cobbs
- Kera Matthews
- Melanie Wright
- Ruth Cook
- J.T. Edwards

Board Members Absent:

- Doug Guilliams

Staff Members Present:

- Economic Development Director Daniel Pinard
- EDA Secretary/Treasurer Cherie Compton

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Additions or Corrections: None

Motion: To approve the agenda as presented

Motion By: Vice Chair Bernice Cobbs

Second: Member Ruth Cook

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:

March 24, 2026 - Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion: To approve minutes as presented

Motion By: Member Melanie Wright

Second: Member J.T. Edwards

Action: Approved by a unanimous vote of members present

SECRETARY REPORT

Secretary/Treasurer Cherie Compton advised members that the statement ending April 30, 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 accept the check from the Town for \$150,000 and requested the quarterly accounting check to be written to the Harvester Performance Center LLC in the amount of \$150,000.

Motion: To accept the check from the Town in the amount of \$150,000 and the check to be written to the Harvester Performance Center LLC in the amount of \$150,000

Motion By: Member Ruth Cook

Second: Vice Chair Bernice Cobbs

Action: Approved by a unanimous vote of members present

AUTHORITY BOARD COMMENTS

Members inquired about the status of the former bank building and the proposed downtown hotel at 325 Franklin Street. Mr. Pinard reported that the property at 325 Franklin Street had been foreclosed on but has recently attracted interest. He also stated that he has recently shown the former bank building to potential developers.

UPCOMING NETWORKING EVENTS & EDA MEETINGS

Chair Muse reminded members of the upcoming events for June. Mr. Pinard also reminded the members of the upcoming Music at the Market events, Sip & Stroll, and Rocky Mount Fest.

Hearing no further comments, Chair Muse asked for a motion to adjourn.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn By: Vice Chair Bernice Cobbs

Second: Member J.T. Edwards

Action: Adjourned by a unanimous vote of members present

Time of Adjournment: 5:54 p.m.

Justin Muse, Chair

ATTEST:

Cherie Compton, Secretary/Treasurer