

**TOWN OF ROCKY MOUNT
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING MINUTES
March 14, 2023
5:15 P.M.**

The Economic Development Authority (EDA) of the Town of Rocky Mount, Virginia met at the Rocky Mount Municipal Building on Tuesday, March 14, 2023 at 5:15 p.m., with Chairman Adam Lynch, presiding.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS PRESENT

Board Members Present: Chairman Adam Lynch, Vice Justin Muse, Economic Development Authority Board Members Doug Guilliams, Mark Redden, and Ruth Cook

Board Members Absent: Member Tara Holley

Others Present: Economic Development Director Daniel Pinard, EDA Clerk Cherie Compton, Town Attorney John Boitnott, Town Manager Robert Wood, and Assistant Town Manager Mark Moore

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Additions or Corrections: None

Motion: To approve as presented

Motion By: Member Doug Guilliams

Second: Member Ruth Cook

Action: Approved by a unanimous vote of members present.

CLOSED SESSION & ACTION

Motion: To go into closed session under the Virginia Code Section cited below.

Time: 5:30 p.m.

Virginia Code Section:

Section 2.2-3711(A).3 Discussion or consideration of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose, or of the disposition of publicly held real property, where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body.

Section 2.2-3711(A).7 Consultation with legal counsel and briefings by staff members or consultants pertaining to actual or probable litigation, where such consultation or briefing in open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating or litigating posture of the public body; and consultation with legal counsel employed or retained by a public body regarding.

Motion By: Member Mark Redden

Second: Vice Chair Justin Muse

Motion Discussion: None

Action: To go into a closed meeting

Ayes: (5): Vice Chair Justin Muse, Member Doug Guilliams, Member Mark Redden, Member Ruth Cook, and Chair Adam Lynch

Approved (5 – 0)

Returning from Closed Session

Time: 6:05 p.m.

Chair Lynch Called for a Roll Call Vote for each Member to Certify Discussion During the Closed Meeting.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS REQUIRED:

MEMBERS	ATTENDANCE	VOTE
Vice Chair, Justin Muse	Present	Certify
Tara Holley	Absent	N/A
Doug Guilliams	Present	Certify
Mark Redden	Present	Certify
Ruth Cook	Present	Certify
Chair, Adam Lynch	Present	Certify

Certified: (5): Vice Chair Justin Muse, Member Doug Guilliams, Member Mark Redden, Member Ruth Cook, and Chair Adam Lynch

Certificate of Closed Meeting Discussion:

Members certified unanimously that nothing was discussed in the closed meeting other than what was stated in the motion to enter the closed meeting. No action was taken during the closed meeting.

Whereas, the Rocky Mount Economic Development Authority has convened a closed meeting on Tuesday, March 14, 2023, pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

Whereas, Section 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, requires certification by this Council that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law.

Now, therefore, Be It Resolved that the Rocky Mount Economic Development Authority hereby certifies that, to the best of each members' knowledge: (1) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under this chapter; and (2) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed, or considered in the meeting by the public body.


Adam Lynch, Chair

Chair Adam Lynch stated seeing each member of the Economic Development Authority has affirmed the Closed Session and asked for a motion to recess from the Economic Development Authority meeting to allow Town Council to reconvene.

Motion: To recess the Economic Development Authority Meeting

Motion By: Member Mark Redden

Second: Member Doug Guilliams

Action: Approved by a unanimous vote of members present.

Town Council recessed to allow the Economic Development Authority to reconvene. Chair Adam Lynch called the Economic Development Authority Meeting back to order.

POST CLOSED SESSION ACTION

Town Attorney John Boitnott presented and read out loud the Resolution of the Economic Development Authority of the Town of Rocky Mount, Virginia regarding the purchase of 4 parcels of land located in Rocky Mount and Franklin County for the purposes of a mixed use development project. The full resolution is attached to these minutes.

Motion: To adopt the resolution as presented

Motion By: Member Mark Redden

Seconded By: Member Ruth Cook

Motion Discussion: None

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS REQUIRED:

MEMBERS	ATTENDANCE	VOTE
Vice Chair, Justin Muse	Present	Yes
Tara Holley	Absent	N/A
Doug Guilliams	Present	Yes
Mark Redden	Present	Yes
Ruth Cook	Present	Yes
Chair, Adam Lynch	Present	Yes

Ayes: (5): Vice Chair Justin Muse, Member Doug Guilliams, Member Mark Redden, Member Ruth Cook, and Chair Adam Lynch
Approved (5 – 0)

Hearing no further business Chair Adam Lynch asked for a motion to adjourn.

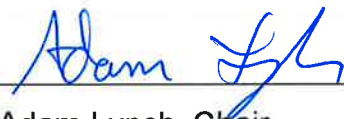
ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn By: Member Mark Redden

Second: Member Doug Guilliams

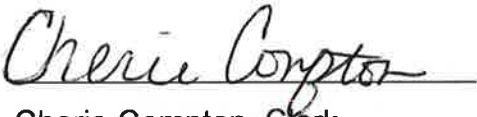
Action: Adjourned by a unanimous vote of members present

Time of Adjournment: 6:15 p.m.



Adam Lynch, Chair

ATTEST:



Cherie Compton, Clerk