

MINUTES

BERKS COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

APRIL 11, 2022

The April 11, 2022 meeting of the Berks County Industrial Development Authority, was held off-site and with Zoom availability and called to order at 8:30 AM by the Chairman, Mr. Jenkins.

Members Present: Eric W. Jenkins
James A. Adams
Kirsten S. Deysher
Terri C. Lampe Melcher

Member Absent: Robert F. Firely

Others Present: Michael A. Setley, Esquire, Solicitor
Jeremy R. Zaborowski, Executive Director
Vicki L. Bentz, Recording Secretary
Rich Overmoyer, President & CEO, Fourth Economy
Christian Y. Leinbach, Commissioner
Kevin S. Barnhardt, Commissioner
Pamela Shupp Menet, Deputy Chief Admin Officer & Econ Dev Director
Jessica D. Blausner, Executive Assistant to Commissioner Barnhardt

Mrs. Shupp Menet provided an introduction to the Fourth Economy Consulting presentation. Mr. Overmoyer then continued with the IMAGINE Berks! presentation. It is a planning process to develop a five-year action plan that encourages sustainable land development, suggests improvements to local regulatory and tax policy strategies and achieves competitive market positioning to sustain and grow existing businesses and attract new businesses. Mrs. Shupp Menet and Mr. Overmoyer answered the Board's questions.

A motion to approve the minutes of the March 14, 2022 Board meeting was made by Mr. Adams, seconded by Mrs. Deysher and unanimously approved.

Mrs. Deysher made a motion to approve the March income and expense reports, financial statements and the budget reports. Mr. Adams seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Mrs. Melcher made a motion to adopt and execute Resolution 03-22 authorizing submission of a \$2,250,000 RACP application for the Medical Arts Building and designating Mr. Zaborowski to execute any required documents. Mrs. Deysher seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Mrs. Melcher to approve a two-year proposal from Liberty Environmental for the BP 183 pistol range area annual cap monitoring required by DEP. This was seconded by Mr. Adams and unanimously approved.

Mr. Zaborowski's updates:

- further information on the statewide lending for bridge loans
- attended the PEDA Spring Conference last week and provided Business in Our Sites loan/grant info. Met with PA Senators.
- the May guest will be reps from the Chester County EDC
- the June guest will be Brian Eckert, Director at the PA DCED
- the County is having a space study done of all campuses to determine best usage for the new South Campus
- ongoing meetings for the West Reading TIF and another TIF in Wyomissing
- on June 28, beginning at 3:30 there will be a joint GRCA Board meeting with BerksIDA at Berks Nature
- Berks County Conservation District will begin approving 95% of DEP requests

There being no further business to come before the Board, at 9:44 AM the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Executive Director