



MEETING MINUTES

JOINT MEETING

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY & BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Bedford County Administration Building
Ground Floor Training Room
122 E. Main Street
Bedford, VA 24523

October 11, 2022
5:30 p.m.

Economic Development Authority:

Present:

Vicki Gardner - Dist. 2; Wyatt Walton - Dist. 3; Matthew Braud - Dist. 4; Kristy Milton - Dist. 5; James Robertson (Chairman) - Dist. 6; Jim Messier, Chairman - Dist. 7

Absent: David Wells – Dist. 1

Board of Supervisors:

Present:

Mickey Johnson – Dist. 1; Edgar Tuck - Dist. 2; Charla Bansley - Dist. 3; John Sharp (Chairman) - Dist. 4; Tommy Scott, Chairman - Dist. 5; Bob Davis – Dist. 6; Tammy Parker - Dist. 7

Staff Present: Pam Bailey - EDA Secretary; Robert Hiss - County Administrator; Holley Scheffel; Business Programs Coordinator; Patrick Skelley - County Attorney

Guests: Mary Zirkle, Town of Bedford; Shelley Basinger, Bedford County Public Information Officer

Board of Supervisors Chairman John Sharp welcomed everyone to the joint meeting and introduced EDA Chairman Jimmy Robertson. Chairman Robertson shared he hoped that this joint meeting could occur more than once a year where visionary leadership could be shared more regularly between the two boards. Brief introductions of new staff were made to include Shelley Basinger, Bedford County Public Information Officer, and Holley Scheffel, Business Programs Coordinator.

Ms. Bailey gave a presentation about the mission of the EDA, a detailed overview of the past year's accomplishments, a review of business and expansion visits and touchpoints with Bedford businesses, and the forecast looking ahead. She also shared information about a recent Agriculture & Forestry Industries