Minutes of the Albemarle Commission Board of Delegates April 21, 2022 6:00 P.M.

Opening

Chairperson Lloyd Griffin called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Invocation

Commissioner Fondella Leigh led the Invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Clayton Riggs led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Determination of Quorum

The presence of a quorum was determined by Clerk and Administrative & Benefits Coordinator, Ashley Stallings, with ten (10) Members present.

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| Camden |
| Chowan |
| Gates |
| Gates |
| Hyde |
| Pasquotank |
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| Perquimans |
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| Washington |
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Absent Members

| Owen Etheridge | Currituck |
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| Rob Ross | Dare |
| Janet Russ | Hyde |
| Jordan Davis | Tyrrell |

Partners. staff, and guests present:

Attorney John Leidy of Hornthal, Riley, Ellis and Maland

Staff members:

Michael Ervin, Executive Director
David Whitmer, NWDB Director
Laura Alvarico, AAA Director
Angela Welsh, RPO Director
Jeri Hansen, Finance Officer
Ashley Stallings, Clerk and Administrative & Benefits Coordinator
Sharon Smith, Special Projects Administrator

Guests and Partners

Agenda (VOTE):

Commissioner Robert Kirby motioned to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Commissioner Riggs. With a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

February 2022 Minutes (VOTE)

Commissioner Riggs motioned to approve the Minutes as presented, seconded by At-Large Delegate William Hoggard. With a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment:

None.

Finance

A. Monthly Finance Report Ending March 31, 2022

Finance Officer Jeri Hansen discussed the monthly finance report.

B. Staff Recommendation

Finance Officer Hansen discussed the staff recommendation to close inactive accounts on the balance sheet.

C. Inactive Fund Account Resolution

Commissioner Linda Hofler motioned to approve the Resolution as presented, seconded by At-Large Delegate Connie Brothers. With a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

New Business

A. FY 2022-2023 Proposed Budget Discussion

Finance Officer Hansen presented the proposed FY 2022-2023 budget to the Board.

Commissioner Riggs motioned to set the public hearing for the FY 2022-2023 proposed budget for May 19, 2022, seconded by At-Large Delegate Hoggard. With a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Staff Reports:

NWDB Director David Whitmer provided an update on the consolidation of the Workforce Development Boards.

Executive Director Report

Executive Director Michael Ervin announced AAA recently completed a monitoring session with no findings. Executive Director Ervin also discussed ARPA funding that would be coming to the Commission.

Board Member Comments:

Commissioner Leigh briefly spoke of the Perquimans County Commissioners meeting, stated it is budget time for Perquimans County, and Perquimans County has a new board member.

At-Large Delegate Brothers announced the Town of Hertford would be holding a Juneteenth celebration with a freedom march on June 18th.

Commissioner Earl Pugh mentioned Hyde County is gearing up for tourist season, farmers are working their farmland on the mainland, and asked for prayers for a local family who suffered a loss in a recent automobile accident.

At-Large Delegate Elizabeth Hedrick mentioned good things happening in Gates County. She also mentioned the new Community Center Director who is doing positive things at the center.

Commissioner Riggs mentioned opening of the new Camden Library.

Commissioner Kirby mentioned there was a Blue Green Water Tech. meeting with Chowan County on March 11th. He also spoke of the upcoming Cycle NC event that would be in Edenton over the weekend. Lastly, Commissioner Kirby mentioned that Chowan County was the recipient of two Commerce Department grants, a vacant building grant, and a grant for Regulator Marine for boat building projects.

Commissioner Hofler mentioned Gates County was in an agreement with Roanoke Connect for broadband. Commissioner Hofler also mentioned Gates County was applying for two Great Grants and the county is in the process of repairing the Community Center.

Chairperson Griffin mentioned a scheduled meeting about I87 with Virginia. Chairperson Griffin also discussed off-shore wind.

<u>Adjournment</u>

At 7:09 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.

Chairperson of the Board, Lloyd Griffin

Attested by:

Clerk to the Board, Ashley Stallings)