

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
AGENDA  
September 21st, 2021  
6:00 P.M.  
AT TOWN HALL**

- I. Call to Order 6:00 p.m.**
- II. Review of Agenda**
- III. Adoption of Minutes**
  - 1. March 16th, 2021
- IV. Financial Report**
  - 1. FY 2021-22 Budget Approval
- V. Economic Development Update**
- VI. Old Business**
- VII. New Business**
- VIII. Next Meeting Date:** Tuesday, December 14, 2021
- IX. Motion to Adjourn**

**WEST POINT  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
MINUTES  
September 21st, 2021**

**I. Call to Order**

Jack Lawson called the regular quarterly meeting of the West Point Economic Development Authority to order at 6:00 p.m. in Town Council Chambers located at 802 Main Street, West Point, Virginia.

Members Present:     Debbie Brockwell  
                              Robert Lawrence  
                              Jack Lawson  
                              William B. Lee  
                              William Otto  
                              James Pruett

Members Absent:     Paul Kelley

Also Present:         John Edwards, Town Manager  
                              Karen Barrow, Town Clerk

**II. Review of Agenda**

There were no changes made to the agenda.

**III. Adoption of Minutes**

A. March 16<sup>th</sup> 2021

Mr. Lee made a motion to adopt the minutes, seconded by Mr. Lawrence. Upon a unanimous vote the motion was approved.

**IV. Financial Report**

Mr. Edwards reviewed the finance report and the FY 2021-22 budget.

Mr. Lawrence made a motion to approve the Finance Report and the FY 2021-22 budget, seconded by Mr. Pruett. Upon a unanimous vote, the motion was approved.

**V. Economic Development Update**

## 1. Old Castle

Mr. Edwards advised that he sent an email to the EDA members advising that Old Castle pulled the plug on locating to the Industrial Park. The Town had done a lot of work and spent money trying to bring Old Castle to West Point. In the end due to environmental and drainage issues they decided not to proceed with the project.

Mr. Lawson stated that the Town Manager and Staff worked diligently for nearly a year to bring Old Castle to West Point. Adjoining landowners attended a public hearing and spoke out against the project and water drainage issues that would occur after the site was developed. Once the decision makers reviewed the project, the decision was made not move forward with the project, the project was a fifteen-million-dollar project.

Mr. Edwards advised that the town would continue to market the Industrial Park.

## 2. Updates

Mr. Edwards provided the following update: 1) The Town did receive an inquiry from a business that recycles products from a car wash. The business is looking for 10 acres to relocate the business from Prince George County, information has been provided to the business. 2) The Town has seven hundred acres at the airport. There is a business interested in renting a building the Town owns at the airport. We are working on scheduling a site visit. 3) The building Ty Bland owns next to the Blue Crab has been sold and the building on the corner of 8<sup>th</sup> St. and Main Street is under contract. 5) Due to COVID, events for the fall have been cancelled.

## **VI. Old Business**

Mr. Edwards stated that tonight is the last meeting for Mrs. Brockwell. Mrs. Brockwell has decided not to seek reappointment. Town Council has appointed Ken Staples to the EDA for a 4-year term commencing October 1<sup>st</sup> 2021.

Mr. Lawson thanked Mrs. Brockwell for her service to Town and the EDA.

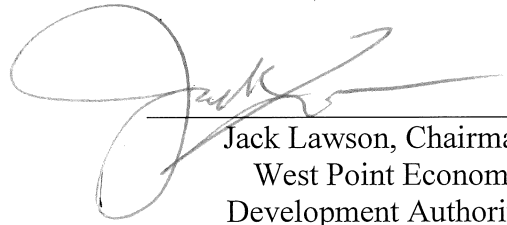
## **VII. New Business**

There was nothing to report under New Business.

**VIII. Next Meeting Date:** December 14<sup>th</sup> 2021

## **IX. Motion to Adjourn**

There being no further business Mr. Lawson adjourned the meeting at 6:20 p.m.



Jack Lawson, Chairman  
West Point Economic  
Development Authority

**Members Terms**

Debbie Brockwell	843-2485	9/30/21
Paul Kelley, Vice Chairman	314-2120	9/30/22
Robert Lawrence, Secretary	839-5268	9/30/21
Jack Lawson, Chairman	514-5150	9/30/24
William B. Lee, Treasurer	381-9868	9/30/22
William Otto	843-2464	9/30/24
James Pruett	832-1185	9/30/24