



ROCK HILL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Board of Directors Monthly Meeting

December 6, 2022

The monthly meeting of the Rock Hill Economic Development Corporation (RHEDC) Board of Directors was held on Tuesday, December 6, 2022, at 12pm in-person at Kounter’s Gather Space. Notice of the meeting was sent to all RHEDC members, City Economic Development staff, and media

RHEDC Board Members Present:

Brian Vaughan	Chad Williams	Dan Ballou
Greg Austin	Jim Reno	Joanne Fockler
Justin Smith	Mari Doroud	Matt Dosch
Penny Pratt	Robert Alexander	Tim Baldwin

RHEDC Board Members Absent

Amy Faulkenberry	Anthony Smith	Brad Hastings
Bud Dark	Charlotte Brown	Colleen Coesens
Dave Williams	David Vehaun	David Williams
Dawn Johnson	Dean Faile	Harold Peebles
Jerrienne Jackson	Joel Hamilton	John Black
Kerry Mast	Lain Reavis	Lester McCorn
Ron Roveri	Ryan Sanderson	Stacey Moore
Stephen Schram	Toy Rhea	Wes Tuttle

Others Present:

Vickie Harrison	Emily Burns	Teresa Thomas
Ken Epps	Tyler Cupp	Paul Stratos
Melanie Cooper	Cameryn Mitchell	Amy Massey
Jensen Caudle	Lori Robishaw	Elaine Wilmore
Martin Lane	Gary Simrill	Andy Clinton
Hannah Horne	Jennifer McAdams	Allan Miller

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at by Matt Dosch; RHEDC Board Members and guests were welcomed. Special guests were introduced.

II. Approve Minutes

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the November 15, 2022, monthly meeting as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

III. Review & Approval of Financials: Matt Dosch

Executive Council did not meet in November; therefore, October financials will be presented at the January 3, 2023, meeting.

IV. Project Reports

1. Strategic Plan: Matt Dosch

- a. Work has continued with committees since RKG presented its report in June. Refinements will continue to be made over the next 6-8 weeks until the annual meeting with City Council in January. RHEDC will then proceed with a slightly altered scope of work moving forward.

2. Knowledge Park: David Lawrence & Rick Norwood

- a. David Lawrence discussed affordable housing including Poag Street project with 28 single family, rental homes meeting 80% AMI.
- b. Rick Norwood discussed several industrial projects that are currently underway.

3. Clinton ConNEXTion: Elaine Wilmore

- a. Demolition of Three Points at South End has been completed. Prospecting for site tenants is currently underway.

V. Director's Report: Jennifer McAdams

Board members were thanked for their service. Everyone in attendance was reminded to record their names on the sign-in sheets.

VI. Committee Reports

1. Quality of Life: Justin Smith

- a. Quality of Life Committee did not meet in November. Green Walkway ceremony was discussed, specifically the event had 175 attendees. Updates were also given on the Placemaking Project. The seventh Vernon Grant mural is finished. Upcoming events include the dedication ceremony for the Bleachery Heritage Project in the spring, an eighth mural should be up in first quarter of next year, a women's art initiative, and a Freedom Riders monument marquee.

2. Entrepreneurship: Dan Ballou & Hannah Horne

- a. Entrepreneurship committee did not meet in November. Hannah Horne gave an update on activity in the Gravity Center during the month of November. Several upcoming Gravity Center events were announced. Ken Epps, Entrepreneur in Residence this fall at the Gravity Center, discussed his experience.

3. Talent Development: Cameryn Mitchell

- a. Committee is looking to bring in more industry partners to better address their needs. Talent Pipeline program has nearly doubled its impact in the last year. York Tech will be expanding manufacturing, truck driving, and customer service classes into the Emmett Scott Center on the south side of the city.

VII. Old Town Association Update: Martin Lane

Christmasville success was discussed. Estimated economic impact of Old Town Association events was \$4.65million. Billboards promoting Old Town were shared.

VIII. Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Board, the monthly meeting was adjourned.