

VIRGINIA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
THURSDAY, August 1, 2019 – 8:00 A.M.
Council Chambers (Second Floor), Virginia City Hall

Present: Patrick, Tuttle, Nystrom, Bartovich, Baranzelli, Biondich

Absent: None

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m.

I. Moved by Baranzelli, supported by Biondich to approve the minutes of the July 3, 2019. Motion Carried.

II. Appearances:

1. George Eilertson and Tammy Omdall from Northland Securities gave a presentation on “Tax Increment Financing 101” and tax abatement. The presentation gave examples of each option and what effect each would have on the taxes that are levied by the City.

III. Finance Reports

1. Check Register-the following bills were reviewed and approved for payment: Art Expressions, \$120; VPUC 118 Chestnut St. \$57.71 and 329 Chestnut St \$107.88; LMC Trust \$2,078; U of M \$\$1,500; Treasures from the Past \$765.33 Total of bill \$4,628.92

Moved by Bartovich, supported by Nystrom to approve the bills that were recommended for payment. Motion Carried.

2. Budget Appropriation Report-no reports

IV. Committee Reports

V. New Business

1. Britt See-Benes noted that the City is ready to implement the funding and seek requests for proposals for Grant Administrator for Downtown Redevelopment Funding.

Moved by Tuttle, supported by Nystrom to approve seeking requests for proposals for the Grant Administrator for the Downtown Redevelopment District. Motion Carried.

Mr. Mohamed Elkhateeb, President and CEO of the Quality Inn presented information regarding his request for the subordination of the loan agreement with the City for the Quality Inn, formerly the Coates.

Moved by Bartovich, supported by Baranzelli to recommend approval of the Subordination on the loan with Twin Cities Hospitality. Motion Carried

2. **Moved by Bartovich, supported by Baranzelli to approve the payment of the VEDA grant in the amount of \$765.33 to Treasures from the Past. Motion Carried.**

VI. Old Business/Updates

The board was informed that one business's on the main street will be closing and one will be taken over by another owner.

VII. Information & Other – FYI

1. CRD updated the board on the meeting held on August 15th with the Virginia Foundation. CRD will continue to discuss the redevelopment program with other entities and request additional financial support. CRD has met with St. Louis County and are anticipating the decision will be made in 2020. The banking loans would supplement the redevelopment bond fund. CRD is meeting with SHPO regarding the funding and how it can be used in the district, the funds are local tax dollars and not state or federal. The administrative costs that will be incurred can be recouped using part of the bond money.

VIII. Adjourned at 9:01 a.m. to the next meeting at 8:00 a.m. Thursday, September 5, 2019