



NRGRDA – Board Meeting **February 24, 2025 Virtual**

Jina Belcher called the meeting to order at 4:03 pm. The following were present by zoom or in person:

- Board Members – Greg Rogers, Anita Groves, Tamara Mullins, Heather Johnson, Robert Shafer, Larry Meador, Ted Kula, Donnie Holcomb, Tom Louisos
- Non-Voting member – Zackary Statler
- Staff members – Jina Belcher, Judy Moore, Crystal Silver, Jozy Moore

REPORTS:

~ December 13, 2024, Board Meeting minutes were presented to the board – motion to approve was made by Rob Shafer; seconded by Heather Johnson; motion carried with none opposed.

~ NRRGRDA acceptance of financials for December 2024 and January 2025 – After discussion and updates, a Motion to approve the financials was made by ~ ~Larry Meador and seconded by Mayor Rob Shafer; motion carried with none opposed.

The NRRGRDA report:

- Jina went over some Organizational updates, notable projects and achievements –
 - ~Met with new board chair, Allison Taylor to provide an overview of NRRGRDA and operations.
 - ~New Hires -Taylor Carnell - PATTERN operations manager, Jozy Moore - Policy and Government Outreach Coordinator
- ~Notable projects and achievements - Wolf Creek Park, Appalachian Heights, RC Memorial Airport Development, University Drive Development (deal closed- active construction taking place for Amazon, Pinecrest Business and Technology Park, Nicholas County Data Center Assessment, Regional Housing Needs Assessment
- The impact of Federal Funding Freeze: Food Incubation Hub - USDA, Retail Incubator - USDA, Beckley Landfill and Rainelle Landfill Clean up - EPA, PATTERN Phase 2 - SBA and CBRI - EDA
- Community and Business Support ~ Hosted a site visit for Richard King Mellon foundation funders to explore sustainable community opportunities around conserved land ~ Partnered with the Beckley Raleigh County Chamber of Commerce to host Future Forward on April 22-23



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➤ **WV HIVE Report**

- Judy gave some general and special project updates – WV Hive open house, Capital Access focus group, Launch of Co. Starters, Lunch and Learn Webinar, Textile Lab/PATTERN
- New Operations Mgr Taylor Carnell started January 16th.
- Upcoming event on Feb 20th, Coffee Talks in Princeton, February 26th, Lunch and Learn Webinar, April 26-30th Bridging Innovation, April 22nd-23rd Future Forward in partnership with BRCCC.

Action Items:

- The board voted on the House Committee as follows:
 1. Craig Chapman
 2. Larry Meador
 3. Heather Johnson
 4. Heather Oiumette
 5. Ted Kula
 6. Allison Taylor
- A slate of approval for the officers was made by Donnie Holcomb; seconded by Tom Louisos; with none opposed, motion carried

- The Board voted on the Financial Committee s follows:
 1. Anita Groves
 2. Donnie Holcomb
 3. Greg Rogers
 4. Tom Louisos
 5. Bill Baker
 6. Allison Taylor
- A slate of approval for the officers was made by Ted Kula; seconded by Tamara Mullins; with non opposed, motion carried

Old Business:

- None

New Business:

- The next board meeting is scheduled for April 21, 2025 - Virtual

With a motion made by Tom Louisos and a second by Ted Kula, the meeting adjourned at 5:33p.m.