



August 18, 2020
KEP Board Meeting
(Zoom Meeting)

Board Members Present

Judy Diogo
Linda Parkowski
Bob MacLeish

Tom Burns
Shane Breakie
Michael Petit de Mange
Jerry Esposito
Shelly Cecchett
Doug Morrow
Gregg Moore
Robin Christensen

Absent

Damian DeStefano
Joanne Masten
Denis McGlynn

Guest

Dave Hugg

Gregory Moore called the meeting to order at 7:35am.

After it was determined there was quorum present, the board moved forward with the meeting.

There being no addition to the agenda, on motion made,
by Denis McGlynn, seconded by Bob MacLeish, the agenda was approved.

The minutes were sent to the board in advance, on motion made by Denis McGlynn, seconded by Jerry Esposito, the June 2020 minutes were approved.

Financial Report – There were two months of financial reports, June & July. Ms. Parkowski stated that we received the State of Delaware contribution of \$ 100,000. Expenses are reduced because of Covid.

Motion to accept the financial reports by Denis McGlynn seconded by Mike Petit de Mange.
Motion carried.

Chairman's Report –

Gregg welcomed Councilman Doug Morrow from Milford who replaced Mike Boyle as the Milford Representative on the KEP Board.

Gregg mentioned we have proposed Board Members to vote on. Gregg thanked Tom Burns for all his contributions and support of the KEP. Tom's term has expired and we have another vacancy. Gregg proposed Chuck Spiegelman a commercial real estate broker and Richard Wilkins Director of the Delaware Farm Bureau.



Motion made by Bob Macleish and seconded by Denis McGlynn to propose the nominations-motion carried. Linda stated the proposed members need to also be approved by Kent Levy Court.

Gregg spoke about the executed Kent County Levy Court Grant for 20-21.

Gregg spoke about the Master Planning regarding South Frederica and Little Heaven. Mike Petit de Mange gave a short presentation. Gregg asked Mike if the county could get PFF issued by the County Public works Department for this area which would allow for county sewer in the area. Mike stated once the plan is certified the group would look into this.

Executive Directors Report – Linda Parkowski

Milford, Smyrna and Dover are working with the KEP on a Rockport Economic Study.

We formed a broadband Kent County Group. As the world is changing broadband is going to become even more important with people working from home. We need to make sure we have that infrastructure in place. Hope to have an action plan by the end of the year.

Judy Diogo and Linda have been on site visits specifically to JP Wharf who are looking to expand their dock and outside seating areas.

Linda has been on site visits.

The Central Delaware Aviation Complex project is still moving along with the expected signing of the JUA in 1st Quarter 21.

Ms. Parkowski shared her screen and stressed how sensitive the information is for potential companies looking at Kent County. Formal announcements will be made once the company is ready. We need to make sure information about these companies stay quiet and ask that you don't reach out to these companies in anyway. She went over an extensive report of some of the companies that she is currently working with.

Public Comment-

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 am

The next meeting will be October 20, 2020.