

September 16th, 2025
KEP Board Meeting
(Hybrid Meeting)

Board Members Present

Robin Christiansen
Gregg Moore
Denis McGlynn (Zoom)
Bob MacLeish (Zoom)
Tabitha Gott (Zoom)
Shane Breakie
Dennis Spence
Kevin Sipple
Norman Barlow (Zoom)

Absent

Dina Vendetti
Chuck Spiegelman
Shelly Cecchett
Jerry Esposito
Terry Pepper

Guest

Amanda Marlow (Zoom)
Jeremy Rothwell (Zoom)
Segundo Bautista

Gregg Moore called the meeting to order at 12:05pm.

After it was determined there was a quorum present, the board moved forward with the meeting. There being no addition to the agenda, a motion to approve made by Mayor Robin Christiansen, seconded by Denis McGlynn.

The minutes of the previous board meeting held on June 17th, 2025, were distributed to the board in advance. An error was noted in the attendance section, and a motion was made to correct it by adding Norman Barlow's name. On a motion made by Denis McGlynn, seconded by Kevin Sipple, minutes were approved as corrected.

Financial Report – The financial report for June to July 2025 were reviewed by Linda Parkowski. Motion to accept the financial reports by Mayor Robin Christiansen, seconded by Dennis Spence. Motion carried.

Chairman's Report – Gregg Moore

Following the passing of Richard Wilkins, Gregg is proposing a replacement and requesting suggestions for a new board member to represent the Agriculture Community.

Business Developer's Report

Zachary Prebula reported on meetings with key partners on zoning changes to introduce hydrogen to Kent County, additional Site Readiness Funds for Harrington Industrial Park, a site visit at 350 Lafferty Lane with the Division of Small Business, adoption of the East/West Freight Study by the MPO Council, the Kraft Heinz split announcement with no expected changes in Dover operations, an industrial tour of Kent County with the County Administrator and the new Public Works Director, an introductory meeting with Harrington's new Economic Development & Community Engagement

Coordinator, ongoing website updates, assistance with LCD interviews, completion of Alex's internship as he begins school at UD, attendance at Chesapeake Utilities' Safety Town celebration and the Delaware Real Estate Summit, and a successful bus tour with 45 guests and 11 elected officials.

Executive Director's Report

Linda Parkowski reported on the Summer Freight Meeting, industrial tours with Sam and Kevin, multiple CDF meetings, attendance at Dover City Council and other Dover/County meetings, progress on the website refresh, Hydrogen meetings, participation in the Virtual Site Selector Event hosted by DPP, discussions regarding Data Centers, a meeting at DSU, participation in public hearings, and updates related to the passing of Richard Wilkins.

Public Comment –

Kevin Sipple will be presenting at the Developing Delaware event hosted by DSCC. Additional updates included the addition of new DPP Board Members and a focus on DPP priorities, as well as discussion of new DNREC requirements that are contributing to increased housing costs.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:52 pm

The next meeting will be on November 18th in person at 12pm.