



August 16, 2022
KEP Board Meeting
(Hybrid Meeting)

Board Members Present

Mike Petit de Mange
Robin Christiansen
Dina Vendetti
Shelly Cecchett
Gregg Moore
Denis McGlynn
Chuck Spiegelman
Shane Breakie
Jerry Esposito- Zoom
Tabitha Gott

Absent

Bob MacLeish
Joanne Masten
Richard Wilkins

Guest

Dave Hugg

Gregory Moore called the meeting to order at 8:00am.

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

Addition to the agenda in regards to order of presentations, on motion made,

by Robin Christiansen, seconded by Denis McGlynn, the agenda was approved.

The minutes were sent to the board in advance, on motion made by Robin Christiansen, seconded by Dina Vendetti, the April 2022 minutes were approved.

Financial Report – There were two months of financial reports, May and June. Linda Parkowski discussed the financials and gave details on the revenues and expenses.

Motion to accept the financial reports by Dennis McGlynn, seconded by Dina Vendetti. Motion carried.

Chairman's Report – Gregg Moore

Gregg discussed the new board term changes to take place in January of 2023. There are two vacant positions on the board. New board members were discussed, one from a municipality and one general board member. Linda will be reaching out to all current board members to confirm they would like to remain and have their new 2-year term begin in January of 2023. The roster will be submitted to Levy Court once confirmed.



Business Developer's Report- Zach Prebula

Zach attended the Logistics Development Forum with Kurt Foreman from the DPP. Some takeaways from the forum where we need more spec buildings to attract businesses, industrial inventory is extremely low across the nation, and the large increase in the average warehouse space from 2008 to now. Zach also mentioned that he is actively engaging with companies to set up BRE site visits. Zach attended the BMW Championship with DPP and interacted with regional site selectors.

Executive Director's Report – Linda Parkowski

Items discussed were a presentation to Smyrna Town Council, Harris Manufacturing, Eagle Group, attending CDF meeting in support of Smyrna and Duck Creek, presenting to DE Business Roundtable, DAFB Compatible Use Study, DRBA Airline use study, Garrison Oak potential buyers, DDP Mosaic, Discover Bank, CDAC update with Dave and Stephanie, Milford Chamber Legislative Luncheon Edge Awards, DSC Infrastructure Committee, Del Tech Central DE Economic Summit, Chorman Airpark, 28 projects, Rockport and KCGF press releases.

Kent County MPO- Marilyn Smith

Marilyn Smith and her team at the Kent County MPO presented the finding from the Rail Study. The rail study was created to help identify sites along the rail that need to be preserved for business use.

Public Comment –

No public comments were made.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 am

The next meeting will be October 18, 2022, in person/Zoom hybrid at 8:00am.