



October 18, 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
Bob MacLeish
Jerry Esposito
Tabitha Gott- Zoom
Joanne Masten

Absent

Shane Breakie
Richard Wilkins

Guest

Jeremy Rothwell- Zoom

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 Denis McGlynn, seconded by Joanne Masten, the agenda was approved.

The minutes were sent to the board in advance, on motion made by Robin Christiansen, seconded by Denis McGlynn, the August 2022 minutes were approved.

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

Motion to accept the financial reports by Dennis McGlynn, seconded by Chuck Spiegelman. 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 at large board member. Linda reached 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. All current board members agreed they would like to remain. The roster was submitted to Levy Court on October 18th. A budget for 2023 was to the board. Motion to accept the budget for FY23 made by Denis McGlynn, seconded by Dina Vendetti, and all were in favor.

Business Developer's Report- Zach Prebula

Zach discussed that he made it to the interview stages of Leadership Delaware and his interview is tonight. Zach has completed two BRE site visits since the last board meeting. Other items discussed were volunteering at the Governor's Career Expo, touring Polytech's Adult Education and connecting with Jeremy McEntire, attending the ICSC@MID-Atlantic with Jeremy Rothwell, compiling site selector forums and trainings list for 2023, keeping connections with site selectors and developers from events attended, and KEP is hoping to have a site selector evaluate us on our site knowledge and access to information in the near future.

Executive Director's Report – Linda Parkowski

Items discussed were CDF Meeting to support Smyrna and Duck Creek, CDF Meeting to support Lafferty Lane project, Dover Master plan, Rail Study, MPO projects for 23, Smyrna and Milford Quarterly, Large Project need wastewater, Dover AFB Land Use Committee, East West Freight, Del Tech Econ Summit, Mary Ellen Gray, Garrison Oak with Site Selector, Board slate to KCLC, Tech Expo, Eagle Group BRE, Food Bank, Met with Paul Hertz and Robert Scott, Workforce Development Meetings, DPP planning session, Tour sewer plant, Milford Rail Discussion, KCLC Zoning updates, DSCC Developing DE Conference, and 35 Projects in our pipeline.

Governor's Office: Infrastructure Implementation Coordinator- Greg Patterson

Greg Patterson described his role of Infrastructure Implementation Coordinator for the Governor's Office. Greg also discussed numerous projects from the Infrastructure Bill passed last year that were taking place within Kent County. These projects are transportation- mainly roads and bridges, reconstruction of the Dover Kenton Road. The flooding in the South Bowers Road will be addressed. Delaware applied for a competitive process for funds to start the West Camden Bypass- did not get selected, but there are 5 years of availability and will be applying again. There is a lot of money in transit with transitioning the transit fleet to Hydrogen and electric buses. Water projects focusing on led service lines for either replacing or surveying all led service lines. Dover will be getting a new water line replacement. Magnolia will be getting a new water main project, storage tank and well. Clayton is getting a sewer rehab project. After projects through the Infrastructure Bill were discussed, Ready in 6 was discussed.

Public Comment –

No public comments were made.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:48 am

The next meeting will be December 20, 2022, in person/Zoom hybrid at 12:00pm.