

AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY OF JAMES CITY, VIRGINIA, HELD ON THE TWENTIETH DAY OF MAY, NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SEVEN AT 3:30 P. M. IN THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER BOARDROOM, 101C MOUNTS BAY ROAD, JAMES CITY COUNTY, VIRGINIA.

1. ROLL CALL

Mr. Kenneth H. Axtell, Chairman  
Mr. Paul Dresser  
Mr. Myrl L. Hairfield  
Mr. Harold N. Poulsen

ALSO PRESENT

Mr. John E. McDonald, Director of Financial & Management Services  
Mr. Frank M. Morton, III, County Attorney  
Mr. David C. Norman, County Administrator

2. MINUTES

The Minutes of the March 19, 1987 meeting were accepted as presented.

3. BALL CORPORATION

Mr. Axtell stated that Ball Corporation had requested a public hearing to affirm the Authority's previous (January 15, 1986) bond inducement for \$1.5 million in industrial revenue bond financing for water pollution control equipment. In 1987, bond funding is being managed entirely by the State.

Mr. Axtell opened the public hearing. Mr. Thomas D. Behnke of Ball Corporation was present to answer questions. Mr. Behnke stated that the basic project was complete.

Mr. Axtell closed the public hearing.

Following a brief discussion, Mr. Poulson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hairfield, to recommend that the Board of Supervisors approve the financing and allow the request to be submitted to the State for funds.

4. OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Axtell informed the Authority of John Brown's resignation as Economic Development Planner. Mr. John McDonald will be acting secretary.

At Mr. Axtell's suggestion, there will be an election of officers at the next regular meeting.

Mr. Dresser expressed disappointment in the lack of activity from the Board of Supervisors. Mr. Dresser felt the County did not convey a positive economic development atmosphere and was viewed as reactive, unaccommodating, hostile and uncooperative.

Mr. Poulsen requested that he not be considered for a position of authority on the Industrial Development Authority unless there is a change in attitude of the Board of Supervisors. Mr. Poulsen stated his intent to resign within the next few months if this change does not occur.

Mr. Hairfield expressed his disappointment in the Board's lack of action relative to economic growth. Mr. Hairfield spoke of the lack of future revenue to meet demands of residential growth in the County without the added jobs for economic base.

Mr. Dresser spoke of the loss of rapport with existing businesses with Mr. Brown's resignation; Mr. Hairfield spoke of the loss of credibility of the County with Mr. Brown's resignation. Mr. Poulsen felt the County would have difficulty hiring a competent economic development planner under the present conditions in the County.

Mr. Norman stated that he would discuss the Authority's comments with the Board of Supervisors. Mr. Norman further stated that an opportunity exists for constructive discussion with the Board to determine what direction to pursue.

Mr. McDonald urged Mr. Poulsen to reconsider resigning from the Authority as he could make an effective contribution to the County by remaining on the Authority.

Mr. Norman stated that he would propose to the Board a worksession with the Authority to address questions raised by the Authority members.

#### 5. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the May 20, 1987 Industrial Development Authority meeting was adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

The next meeting of the Authority will be on June 17th with a proposed worksession with the Board of Supervisors.

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Kenneth H. Axtell, Chairman

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John E. McDonald, Acting Secretary

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