

**Board Meeting Minutes of the Martin County EDA**  
**February 3, 2025**

The regular meeting of the Martin County Economic Development Authority was called to order by Wes Anderson at 5:15pm. Those present were: Wes Anderson, Tim Terfehr, Richard Koons, Billee Rabbe, and Tom Lytle. Also, present were Amber Patten, Celia Simpson, Macey Becker, Scott Higgins, and Fairmont Sentinel.

**Agenda**

Motion by Terfehr, and seconded by Lytle to approve the agenda as presented with the addition of introductions of new officers.

Carried unanimously

**Minutes**

Motion by Terfehr, and seconded by Koons to approve the minutes from January 6, 2025 as presented.

Carried unanimously

**Old Business**

On June 5, 2023, the City of Ceylon was awarded a Martin County Broadband Partnership grant covering the lesser of \$15,000 or 50% of project costs for utility locates as part of a broadband development project. Simpson contacted the City Clerk for itemized invoices to verify costs. The provided invoices, reviewed by Simpson, show total project costs of \$8,214.14. Per the grant agreement, the City is eligible for \$4,107.07. Motion by Terfehr, seconded by Koons to approve \$4,107.07 to the City of Ceylon.

Carried unanimously

Mike Sheplee recapped for the Board the Martin County Housing Tax Abatement Program Policy. Currently the program will end in March of 2025. 43 properties have used the program. Discussion ensued. Motion by Rabbe, seconded by Lytle that the EDA Board recommends to continue with the program and amend the term limit to five years.

**EDA Activity Report**

Simpson and Patten reviewed the January EDA Monthly Activity Report.

**Print EDA Marketing Brochure**

Patten and Simpson presented an EDA Marketing brochure they would like to get printed to hand out when visiting businesses and communities. Three quotes were obtained.

Motion by Terfehr, seconded by Koons to print 200 brochures for the cost of \$130 from Minuteman Press.

Carried unanimously

**Approval of Bills**

Higgins reviewed January bills with the Board

Motion by Terfehr, and seconded by Koons to approve the bills as presented.

Carried unanimously

**Year to Date Financial Report**

Higgins reviewed the CY2025 year to date financial report with the Board.  
Motion by Terfehr, and seconded by Koons to approve CY2025 Financial Report.  
Carried unanimously

**Open Discussion**

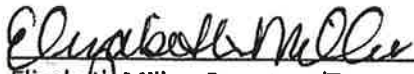
None

**Adjournment**

With no further business to wit,  
Motion by Terfehr, and a seconded by Lytle to adjourn the meeting  
Carried unanimously  
The board meeting of the Martin County EDA was adjourned at 6:47pm.



Wes Anderson, Board President



Elizabeth Miller, Secretary/Treasurer