

# MEETING MINUTES

## South Dakota Ellsworth Development Authority

### Board of Directors Meeting

11 May 2017  
9:00 AM Mountain Time

**Black Hills State University (BHSU) Center  
4300 Cheyenne Blvd, Room 127, Rapid City, SD 57709**

**1. Call to Order:** Chairman Burchill called the meeting to order at 9:03 AM Mountain Time

a. Board members present were: Patrick Burchill, Michael Bender, David Emery, Kurt Solay, Stanley Porch and Quentin Riggins.

b. Steven Kalman was not present.

**2. Approval of the Agenda:**

MOTION: Michael Bender made a motion to approve the agenda. Kurt Solay seconded the motion. The agenda was unanimously approved.

**3. Approval of the minutes from the 10 November 2016 board meeting:**

The minutes were presented by Chairman Burchill and discussed.

MOTION: Stanley Porch made a motion to approve the minutes from the 10 November 2016 Board meeting. Quentin Riggins seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved.

**4. Business Updates:**

**Presentations were made by:**

(1) Linda Fry, Community Planner, Ellsworth Air Force Base (EAFB) on the REPI / Compatible Land Use Program. Linda outlined the significant efforts and achievements of SDEDA within the REPI program for EAFB and the US Air Force; as well as, forecasted FY 2018 projections and priorities.

# MEETING MINUTES

- (2) Craig Bailey, Chief Operations Officer, VRC Corporation, presented a briefing on VRC, the Cold Spray Program, economic development, and the recommended transition - from the Douglas School District - through SDEDA - of Vandenberg School. Craig also spoke of VRC's existing portable technology and operational status on EAFB, as well as, projected Cold Spray technologies, growth, and impact.

## 5. Public Comment Session:

Chairman Burchill opened the meeting to Public Comment, welcomed participation, and requested presentations be limited to five minutes.

Three comments were made:

- (1) Leonard Iverson, Civilian Engineering Division, EAFB, praised the hard work and accomplishments of SDEDA. Leonard also cited the highly important role and value that senior command leadership at EAFB held for SDEDA, as well as, from the US Air Force Civilian Engineering Command (AFCEC) in San Antonio, Texas.
- (2) Robert Heidgerken, District 5, Commissioner, Meade County, SD, spoke of financial incentives that Meade County offers which could benefit VRC.
- (3) Aaron Scheibe, Deputy Commissioner, GOED, SD, strongly praised SDEDA for their achievements regarding the REPI program, impact to EAFB, and economic development initiatives.

## 6. Old Business: None

## 7. New Business:

- a. **Resolution 17-04:** Consider resolution approving SDEDA FY2018 Budget - Action Item
- b. Pat Burchill spoke of the FY17 \$200K local donations budget shortfall currently experienced by SDEDA as Black Hills Vision (BHV) is no longer funded or operational. Pat also spoke of a new local economic development entity called Elevate Rapid City which, once established, intends to apply a five-year funding approach.
- c. Scott Landguth also highlighted the \$208K FY2018 SDEDA budget deficit experienced as a result of this BHV shortfall.

MOTION: David Emery made a motion to approve Resolution 17-04. Stanley Porch seconded the motion. The motion (Resolution 17-04) was unanimously approved.

# MEETING MINUTES

## 8. New Business:

a. **Resolution 17-05:** Consider resolution approving SDEDA to proceed with Vandenberg Initiative - Action Item

MOTION: Michael Bender made a motion to approve Resolution 17-05. Kurt Solay seconded the motion. The motion (Resolution 17-05) was unanimously approved.

## 9. New Business:

a. **Resolution 17-06:** Consider resolution approving sale of Bennington Drive parcels - Action Item

MOTION: Quentin Riggins made a motion to approve Resolution 17-06. David Emery seconded the motion. The motion (Resolution 17-06) was unanimously approved.

## 10. New Business:

a. **Resolution 17-07:** Consider resolution approving sale of Elm Street parcels - Action Item

MOTION: David Emery made a motion to approve Resolution 17-07. Stanley Porch seconded the motion. The motion (Resolution 17-07) was unanimously approved.

## 11. Adjournment (10:12 AM - Mountain Time)

As no action items or issues were pending, Chairman Burchill adjourned this meeting.

Minutes Approved:

Chairman Patrick Burchill: \_\_\_\_\_