

August 28, 2025

**MEETING OF THE JOINT MATHEWS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND MATHEWS COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY HELD IN THE MATHEWS COUNTY HISTORIC COURTHOUSE, 27 CHURCH STREET IN MATHEWS COUNTY, VIRGINIA, AUGUST 28, 2025, AT 5:00 PM**

**Board of Supervisors Present:** Tim Doss, Chairman  
Tom Bowen, Vice-Chairman  
Janice Phillips  
Mike Walls

**Board of Supervisors Absent:** David Jones

**EDA Members Present:** Joe Syslo, Chairman  
Brenda L. Moore, Vice-Chairman  
Sandy Warhol  
Taylor Ovide  
Dee Russell  
Ramona Wilson, Secretary  
Myriah Pirhala

**EDA Members Absent:** None

**Staff Members Present:** None

**Guests Present:** None

**MINUTES**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Doss at 5:00 PM.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**3. ROLL CALL / ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM**

Board of Supervisors Members Present: Supervisor Mike Walls  
Chairperson Tim Doss  
Supervisor Janice Phillips  
Vice-Chair Tom Bowen

Board of Supervisors Members Absent: Dave Jones

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Team Members Present: Ms. Ramona Wilson, County Administrator, Clerk  
Ms. Judi Green, Assistant County Administrator, Deputy Clerk

Committee Members Present:	Joe Syslo, Chairperson Sandy Warhol Taylor Ovide Dee Russell Ramona Wilson, Secretary Myriah Pirhala Brenda L. Moore, Vice-Chair
Committee Members Absent:	
Staff Present:	Judi Green, Assistant County Administrator, Deputy Clerk

- A. Mathews County Board of Supervisors
- B. Mathews County Economic Development Authority

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. July 29th, 2025 Economic Development Authority Meeting  
**MOTION:** On the motion of Sandy Warhol, seconded by Taylor Ovide, the Economic Development Authority voted 5-0-0 as follows: Joe Syslo, Sandy Warhol, Taylor Ovide, Dee Russell  
Ramona Wilson, - Aye: None—Nay: To approve the minutes as presented.  
**Roll Call Vote:**  
Brenda L. Moore, Vice-Chair  
Mr. Ovide-Member,  
Ms. Warhol-Member  
Ms. Wilson, Secretary,  
Ms. Russell-Member  
Mr. Syslo, Chairperson

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**6. DISCUSSION TOPICS**

The EDA Chair, Joe Syslo, explained the purpose and goals of the meeting. He stated that our county needs more businesses in order to sustain itself. And the second part of our goal or mission is to assist our existing businesses, small businesses as they are, although we have some monetarily fairly large businesses in town. There's a Main Street committee that one of our members sits on and we want to make sure that things that are being done on Main Street are concurrent with what we want to do in the EDA. Partnering with Virginia Scan is a top priority for the EDA. Mr. Ovide explained the benefits of being a conduit bond issuer.

There was a discussion regarding Airbnbs and how taxes are collected.

The new website

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- a. Public-Owned Property to EDA
- b. Participation in Bond Funding for Fire Station and Schools
- c. Developing a small industrial park
- d. Resolve water issue
- e. Assure the anticipated development of Main Street is parallel to EDA's economic development
- f. Establish Virginia Scan for Statewide and Extra-State availability

**7. EDA CHAIR REMARKS ON ACTIVITIES**

A.

- a. Mission and Main Interest
- b. Current successes and non-successes
- c. Accomplishments to date
- d. Future projects

**8. FREQUENCY OF UPDATES TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON EDA ACTIVITIES/REPORTS**

Moving forward, there will be biannual joint meetings.

**9. SCHEDULE THE NEXT EDA MEETING AND JOINT MEETING**

An email will be sent to all members for a meeting in late January of 2026.

A. Other Reports and Financials

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

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**MOTION:** On the motion of Janice Phillips, seconded by Mike Walls, the Mathews County Board of Supervisors voted 4-0-0 as follows: Mike Walls, Tim Doss, Janice Phillips, and Tom Bowen - aye; None - nay; to adjourn

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Joe Syslo, Chairman  
Economic Development Authority

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Ramona Wilson, Secretary  
Economic Development Authority