

June 9, 2020s

A Special Work Session of the Danville City Council, Pittsylvania County Board of Supervisors and the Danville Regional Foundation, convened on June 9, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. in the Institute for Advanced Learning and Research, 150 Slayton Avenue, The Atrium, Danville, Virginia. Council Members present were: James B. Buckner, L.G. "Larry" Campbell Jr., Mayor Alonzo L. Jones, Dr. Gary P. Miller, Sherman M. Saunders, Fred O. Shanks, III, Vice Mayor J. Lee Vogler, Jr., and Madison J.R. Whittle (8). Adam J. Tomer was absent. (1).

Staff Members present were: City Manager Ken Larking, Jr., City Attorney W. Clarke Whitfield Jr., and City Clerk Susan M. DeMasi.

Pittsylvania County Board Members attending were Joe B. Davis, Tim Dudley, Ben Farmer, Vic Ingram, Ronald Searce, Chairman Robert Warren and Dr. Miller.

Also attending was Brian Bradner of Dewberry and members of the Danville Regional Foundation.

Pittsylvania County Administrator David Smitherman, Ken Larking, Mayor Alonzo Jones and Chairman Robert Warren, gave brief introductions, acknowledging those who had worked on Strategic Plan over the past year.

REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIC PLAN

Mr. Bradner of Dewberry thanked the City, County and DRF for entrusting this effort to the team, as well as the steering committee. Mr. Bradner noted this was a really high, strategic plan; in terms of the recommendations they sought to look at them at a very long perspective. There was an extreme amount of collaboration, and it continues to serve as a model for other endeavors around economic development. Mr. Bradner introduced Ted Abernathy; Mr. Abernathy reviewed the recommendations of the Plan.

A copy of the Executive Summary of the Strategic Plan is attached to these minutes; the entire *Regional Strategic Plan* has been retained on Laser fiche, in the City Clerk's folder, *Presentations to Council*.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:06 P.M.

APPROVED:

s/Alonzo L. Jones
MAYOR

ATTEST:

s/Susan M. DeMasi, CMC
CITY CLERK