**Minutes of Board Meeting**

**August 14, 2025**

**Perry County Economic Development Authority**

**Perry County Business and Tourism Center**

**New Bloomfield, PA.**

**Attendees:** Marti Roberts, Rich Pluta, Frank Campbell, Patti McLaughlin, Scott Dunkleberger, Brenda Watson, Ed Barben

**Virtual participants:**

**Staff:** Taira Little, Jasmine Colbert

**Absent:**

**Resigned:**

**Excused:** Dee Anderson, Scott Fritz

**Visitor:** Jason Finnerty

**Public Comment:** No public comment

**Tri-County report**: Tri-County report is attached to the minutes supplied by Jason Finnerty.

**Secretary’s Report:**

Ed Barben presented the minutes of PCEDA’s meeting on July 10, 2025, which had been distributed to all board members in advance of today’s meeting. There was a motion to approve the secretary’s report by Patti McLaughlin and Frank Campbell seconded the motion.

The motion was approved by a voice vote without dissent.

**Treasurer’s Report:**

* Patti McLaughlin presented the treasure report. It was noted the $10,000 for the Liberty Bell currently listed under Advertising & Marketing may be reclassified. Normal overhead and payroll for expenses. There was a motion made by Rich Pluta; to approve the treasurer’s report, Scott Dunkleberger seconded the motion. Motion to approve carried.
* Rich noted that a $500 charge on the credit card bill for PA Downtown Center has been refunded due to an error on their part.
* The 2024 Audit was submitted for approval. There was a motion made by Ed Barben; to approve the audit, Frank Campbell seconded the motion. Motion to approve carried.

**Chair Report:**

Marti Roberts reported as follows:

* Marti, Scott D., and staff met with DCED. The meeting was very positive, and they offered their assistance.
* The 501c3 has been created at the state level, and we are waiting for the attorney to file at the federal level. This led to further discussion by the board regarding the structure of the Alliance, EDA, Chamber, and Main Street. Scott D. recommended reaching out to York County to discuss how they determined their structure.

**Staff Report:** See attached reports from Taira and Jasmine.

**Old Business**: Placement of the Liberty Bell was brought up by Frank. If placed at a non-profit organization, the organization could receive $1,200 in compensation.

**New business**: None

The meeting adjourned at 10:49 am.