Call to Order Mr. Steck, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 12:12 pm

Members Included Matt Steck, Paul Navarro, Paul Clark, Andy Johnson

Also present were: George Connor, Deputy Director; Mark Stewart, Solicitor; Brooke Miller, Autumn Gruzlewski and Deb Laudenslager

Absent: Karen Smeltz

Public Participation: Jim Roxbury, August Memmi, Laura Cullison and Fred Lighty

Acceptance of Minutes A motion was made to approve and accept the minutes of the January 19, 2016 meeting as presented.

Motion: Mr. Clark
Second: Mr. Johnson

Motion passed: 4 - 0, 1 absent

Acceptance of Financials A motion was made to accept the financial statements from January 19, 2016. There was little activity for the month of January.

Motion: Mr. Johnson
Second: Mr. Navarro

Motion passed: 4 - 0, 1 absent

Solicitors Report & Action Items Comments will be reserved for new and old business.
New Business

Chairman Steck publically thanked Mr. Memmi for his time and efforts with the Dauphin County Industrial Development Authority.

Mr. Memmi also expressed his sentiments.

Termination and Conveyance of East Park Inns, d/b/a Sheraton Harrisburg East: Solicitor Stewart presented the resolution and termination agreement. This was initiated in 1979 and paid off in 2006. The lessee never took the steps to have the deed transferred from the IDA to itself. This results in payment of transfer tax to the County and other recipients of those funds.

A motion was made to authorize the Chair to execute the resolution and also to execute the termination agreement as presented by the Solicitor.

Motion: Mr. Clark
Second: Mr. Navarro

Motion passed: 4 - 0, 1 absent

NAI/CIR Relisting Letter: A relisting letter was sent to Mr. Connor for one more year to market the Veteran’s Building.

A motion was made authorizing Chairman Steck to sign a relisting agreement from Mr. Sgagias of NAI/CIR dated February 11, 2016.

Motion: Mr. Johnson
Second: Mr. Navarro

Motion passed: 4 - 0, 1 absent

Old Business

Solar Project: Matters are status quo. Still waiting to see if the Supreme Court will allow the appeal of the PUC and PPL on the successful common court decision we had. The PUC is still holding the reconsideration motion related to the PPL complaint that ruled against us at the PUC. The PUC issued a final rule on the net metering that we had commented in opposition to. It sets a 200% cap of the consumption in terms of what you can sell to the grid. This has a grandfather provision. Existing facilities would be grandfather. These would not be conductive to the County’s solar farm. There is a definition of utility which is not going to be grandfathered. This says that anybody that sells more than 200% of their consumption into the grid is a utility. We commented in opposition to this. The Independent Regulatory Review Commission asked the PUC what their authority for that definition was, because it is contradictory to the definition in the PUC code itself. Regulations are not truly final. IRRC reviews them. They can kick them back if they find they are not supportable by giving
the enabling authority the relative statutes that the PUC operates under. In this instance it is the Alternative Energy Portfolio Standards Act. We will file a comment letter with IRCC reiterating our view that they are erroneous in applying the 200% limitation and trying to redefine or create a special definition of utility. In their explanation of why they did not grandfather on the utility definition, they said that they needed to have one consistently applied definition of utility. The irony is that they were creating one that was inconsistent with the one definition that already exists in the law. This is not something that we would want to happen for our situation. We do not want the Authority to be defined as a utility.

**Gaming Update:** A gaming meeting was held on February 15, 2016. The Gaming Advisory Board approved the recommended list that will be approved by the Commissioners on February 16, 2016.

**Veteran’s Building:** An agreement was signed with Salzmann Hughes for rental of the eighth floor. They will be occupying the space in April. Chairman Steck received a personal note from Scott Wyland thanking the Board with working with him and his company in securing the space. Current vacancies: most of six, back half of seven and some small random offices on four. No maintenance issues.

**DCIB:** In early December, PennDOT approved the loan for Middle Paxton project on Potato Valley Road. Funding has not yet been received. Feedback was that it has not gotten out of PennDOT yet. The funding should have been received mid-February. Program is going fine. We are looking at opening another round because there are some municipalities interested.

Mr. Navarro wanted to clarify that the DCIB involves transportation projects. Infrastructure involves other municipal facilities. Wanted to know if this was ever discussed. Solicitor Stewart said it has been discussed at length, but the issue is finding another funding stream that is not tied to liquid fuels funds. The PIB loan cannot be used. There would need to be some other funding stream that would enable those types of projects in the short to mid-term. In the long term there are loans that are being repaid by the subrecipient using general funds dollars instead of liquid fuels dollars. When those dollars come in, they are the ones that are set to the side and recycled into the program. The County supplements and subsidizes and pays a portion of those loans with their own liquid fuels money.
Board & Staff Comments

No comments.

Prior to the Board recessing for Executive Session, Mr. Roxbury had some questions regarding Expedition Chesapeake. The $1 million grant was given by the Commissioners through the IDA. Some issues were clarified. Mr. Roxbury questioned whether or not Expedition Chesapeake has provided to us their expenses and the Board confirmed that they have. He was told that a right-to-know request would need to be filed. Discussion was also held about the timeline of the film.

The IDA meeting was recessed at 12:44 p.m. to enter into Executive Session.

The IDA meeting was reconvened at 1:09 p.m.

Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 1:09 p.m.

Motion: Mr. Clark
Second: Mr. Navarro

Motion passed 4 – 0, 1 absent