

**BIG STONE GAP REDEVELOPMENT &  
HOUSING AUTHORITY  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
November 21, 2024  
5:30 P.M.**

**THOSE PRESENT:**

**George Polly, Chairman  
Greg Kress, Commissioner  
John Morrissey, Commissioner  
Ron Prewitt, Commissioner  
Suzie Cradic, Executive Director**

**ABSENT:**

**Miranda DeBoard, Commissioner**

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

**Ked Meade, Town Representative  
Judy Hall, Recorder**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Polly called the meeting to order.

**II. TOWN REPRESENTATIVE REPORT**

Ked Meade reported that the Halloween festivities were a huge success. Cell phone usage tracked 7498 people in the town that night, which was the most visited in the last 10 years. We gave out 183 gallons of candy and 600 bags of chips. The streets were packed with people attending the downtown carnival and the restaurants were all overflowing. We had ribbon cutting events for three (3) new businesses: Jones-Hearst Designs, Taco Bell, and Guerrant Goodies.

The Veterans Parade on November 9<sup>th</sup> was very well attended.

As the Christmas season approaches, there will be several events: Southwest Virginia Museum's Festival of Trees, Greenbelt in Lights, Small Business Saturday on 11/30, the Christmas Parade on December 5<sup>th</sup>, Santa and Mrs. Claus at the Visitor Center, and the New Year's Eve Party Crawl.

**III. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES**

October 17, 2024 Regular Board Meeting of the Big Stone Gap Redevelopment & Housing Authority.

**Motion by Prewitt, seconded by Morrissey, that the minutes for the Regular Board Meeting of October 17, 2024 be approved as presented.**

**Ayes: Kress, Morrissey, Polly, Prewitt**

**Nayes: None Absent: DeBoard Abstain: None**

**IV. FINANCIAL REPORT**

There were no questions or comments regarding the Financial Report.

**V. DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

There were no questions or comments regarding the Director's Report.

**Motion by Morrissey, seconded by Prewitt, that the Financial and Director Reports be approved as presented.**

**Ayes: Kress, Morrissey, Polly, Prewitt**

**Nayes: None Absent: DeBoard Abstain: None**

**VI. NEW BUSINESS**

**1. Asbestos Reports**

The Director reported that Crossroads Environmental Services completed the asbestos inspection on the house at 217 E. 10<sup>th</sup> Street. There were two (2) items found containing asbestos and Crossroads took care of the disposal, rendered a Certificate of Completion, and sent it to the Building Official.

**2. December 2024 Meeting**

Since there are no ongoing projects, the consensus of the Board was to cancel the Regular Board Meeting for December. The next Regular Board Meeting will be January 16, 2025 at 5:30 pm.

**VII. OLD BUSINESS**

**1. Status of 217 E. 10<sup>th</sup> Street Property**

The Director reported that the property was surveyed by Diamond Consulting. Also, Vaughan Construction and Demolition will begin the demolition next week.

**VIII. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

The Commissioners did not offer any comments.

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion by Polly, seconded by Prewitt, that the meeting be adjourned.**

**Ayes: Kress, Morrissey, Polly, Prewitt**

**Nays: None Absent: DeBoard Abstain: None**

**Meeting adjourned at 6:05 pm.**