

## Work Session

**Triangle Trails Project** - Resolution reviewed by attorney & EDC to go on March 9<sup>th</sup> agenda?

**Ken K. zoning** (report on file)

Robert Davie, Town of Warrenton (report on file) **Frontier Warren**

Baker: take me through the steps if I'm a business that wants to locate there  
10 x 10 space at \$200 per month (compared to \$399 mth in Asheville)  
Ice house training taught by Vance Granville CC – state of the art practices  
Thursday live trainings from RTP

Pierce: Why weren't other municipalities included? Why Frontier Energy and EDC located in the building? Need some spaces for literal start-ups.

Davie: Need a large renter that can sustain the building. We are looking at Norlina, but have to start somewhere.

Woodhouse: already started conversation with town of Norlina

Davis: During strategic planning we discussed attracting business, relationship attracts business. Startup costs kill you, many small businesses have a challenge in that area. This gives start-ups in the county potential to grow. Potentially select one of the three options. Which one should we support, would like for WC government be a part of this endeavor.

Pierce: summary of the three (3) options

Davie: EDC \$20,000 would go to the co-working space, includes utilities, etc.  
EDC \$9,600 w/utilities, town will seek additional funding.  
Town financially responsible

Hunt: was not aware that a decision would be made tonight, thought it was just a presentation.

Davis: what is the guidance we'll give the county manager on this process?

Pierce: special meeting next week or put it on the March 9<sup>th</sup> agenda. Vote now in haste or sleep on it and digest the information given tonight.

Hunt: give us time to digest the information. A year-long project but the board is just hearing about it in October/November.

Davie: would the board be opposed to the Town handling the 1<sup>st</sup> building?

**Sheriff's office – personnel issues (Statement from District Attorney Mike Waters)**

Pierce: Co. Manager give the Board an update on 10% increase for Sheriff's office during March 9<sup>th</sup> meeting

Ron Skow: advertise in the Army Times & Navy Times

**Emma Perry, Interim DSS: Medicaid 103 findings; security & safety & customer service**

**Kia Settles, HR capital improvements Potential insurance increase of 13% to 15%**

**Terrance Williams, Buildings & Grounds**

**Crystal Smith, Cooperative Extension**

**Grants Administration**

**Broadband Initiative**

**Information Technology**

**Public Works**

**Wrap-up by Retreat Facilitator & Co. Manager highlighted challenges county directors are facing.**

**Chris Aycock – thank you.**

**Mike Hairston – Frontier Warren - keep doing what we've been doing for the last 20 years. Need to embrace the concept. Frontier RTP is the engine that drives RTP.**

**Closed Session: Hunt / Baker**

**Open Session:**

**Adjourn Work Session/Meeting**



Angelena Kearney-Dunlap, Clerk