

**Minutes of the May 24, 2022
Executive Board Meeting of the
Indiana 15 Regional Planning Commission**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Paul Lorey called the meeting to order at 6:10 pm.

ROLL CALL

Secretary Michael Johannes performed roll call; seven members were present. Nathan Held and Cheri Taylor of the Commission were also in attendance.

AGENDA: ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

Chair Paul Lorey called for additional agenda items. None were presented.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND AGENDA

Chair Paul Lorey presented the minutes from the Executive Board meeting held April 26, 2022. Bill Byrd made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Mary Ann Cummings and motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Beverly Schulthise gave the Treasurer's Report. As of May 14th receipts were \$45,650.31 and disbursements were \$15,402.92. Since the report, receipts were \$26,141.39 and disbursements were \$21,301.54. The actual total cash balance is \$798,727.38. The total aging schedule was \$37,143.56. There is one 12-month CD totaling \$250,000.00, one 18-month CD totaling \$250,000.00 and one 24-month CD totaling \$150,000.00. The restricted savings has a balance of \$4,498.92. Mary Ann Cummings made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Michael Johannes and motion carried.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Chair Paul Lorey called for the Director's Report from Senior Project Administrator Nathan Held. Mr. Held reported on projects as follows:

- The Summit for the Resiliency Plan was last week, May 17th. Positive feedback was received from the event. About 100 people were in attendance. Leah Hawkins will be the point of contact for the Resiliency Plan going forward.
- The 5-year CEDS is due in April of 2023. Funds are included in the new EDA Planning Grant budget to hire a consultant to contract development of the CEDS.
- Lisa Gehlhausen is awaiting award announcements for three separate EDA projects. These projects are for Patoka Lake Regional Water & Sewer, City of Huntingburg and Town of Santa Claus. The Spencer County Visitors Bureau EDA project was not awarded.
- Nathan Held submitted an OCRA Planning Grant application on behalf of Grandview for a Master Utility Study. OCRA announced last week that this \$90,000 project was awarded.
- OCRA Round 1 applications are due in July. Jenny Matheis is assisting two communities, Marengo for wastewater improvements and Orleans for water improvements for submission. Nathan Held is assisting Paoli for water improvements for submission.
- Cheri Taylor worked with Grandview to update their Park Plan. It has been approved by IDNR. Lisa Gehlhausen assisted Dubois County with updating their Park Plan that was also approved. Nathan is assisting Rockport in updating their Park Plan to submit in 2023. Lindsey Hoffman is assisting Nathan with the Rockport Park Plan.
- Lindsey Hoffman is setting traffic counts in Orange County. Soon a few counts will be set in Spencer County.
- Cheri will be working on the Mid-Year Budget soon.
- The Southwest Indiana Development Council (SWIDC) was awarded \$15 million through the READI program. The Commission has been assisting SWIDC in an unofficial role. Procurement of a grant administrator is underway. The Commission has invested a lot of time working with the Indiana First Region and hopes to be selected as the administrator. If selected this contract will stretch over a three-to-four-year time span. There are potentially 10-12 projects. These projects would be led by Lisa Gehlhausen, Nathan Held, Jenny Matheis and Leah Hawkins.

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OLD BUSINESS

- The Executive Director succession planning meeting was held prior to the Executive Board meeting at 5:30. Discussion about how to proceed are ongoing.
- Advertisement for Project Assistant position until filled. Michael Johannes made a motion to approve advertisement for Project Assistant position until filled, seconded by Beverly Schulthise and motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolutions for Approval

- Recommend adding Sharanya Mathur, Summer Intern to the payroll (Resolution 2022-15)
- Recommend adding Calvin Hasenour, Summer Intern to the payroll (Resolution 2022-16)
Bill Byrd made a motion to bundle Resolution 2022-15 and Resolution 2022-16 for approval, seconded by Michael Johannes and motion carried. Mary Ann Cummings made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-15 and Resolution 2022-16, seconded by Jon Craig and motion carried.

Contracts for Approval

- None presented

Other

- None presented

ADJOURN

There being no further discussion or business to come before the Executive Board, Chair Paul Lorey called for a motion to adjourn. Motion for adjournment was made by Beverly Schulthise, seconded by Michael Johannes and motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:35 pm. The Executive Board will meet next on Tuesday, June 28, 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Johannes, Secretary
MJ/lh

*Approved 6/28/22
Jonh Lorey, V.P.*