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NSSA Board Meeting #88

Minutes

May 8, 2024, at 6:00 PM

City Hall and via Zoom

Meeting called to order at 6:14 p.m.

A. Roll Call and Declarations of Conflicts of Interest

Present: Tim Kirsch, Chair, Mill City; Janet Zeyen-Hall, Mill City, Secretary; Denny Nielsen, Detroit, Communications Chair; Ron Evans, Gates, Emily Scofield, Gates.

Absent: Tony Morones, Idanha; **Cable Huston:** Tommy Brooks;

Marion County: Brian Nicholas, Chris Einmo

DEQ: Mary Camerata

Regional Solutions Team: Beth Wytoski

COG Staff: Laura Conroy, McRae Carmichael

No conflicts of interest were declared.

Janet Zeyen-Hall arrived at 6:20pm.

B. **Announcements:** None

C. **Public Comments:** None

Old Business:

A. Consent Agenda

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda by Nielsen, seconded by Scofield; Unanimous Motion passed. **In favor:** All present. **Opposed:** None. **Abstained:** None.

B. Treasurer's Report (Evans)

Evans reported invoices from LGLG, Cable Huston and COG, and mentioned the efforts on budget.

New Business:

C. Chair Kirsch shared a note of appreciation for Ken Woodward who has resigned.

D. Staff Update: Conroy presented the staff report. Cog's focus in April has been on assisting the COG with adopting its 2023-2024 supplemental budget, and the 2024-25 budget process. Staff continue to work with the county in speaking with interested parties to

support an update to the Three Basin Rule in response to the Maui decision. Staff is also coordinating with Cable Huston in support of the City of Gates review and consideration of an ordinance to compel connection to the sewer system.

- E. County update: Chris Einmo provided a graphic which displayed the existing funding sources for the project and the remaining amount necessary to complete the project. He also shared the county's thoughts on funding sources that the county will explore to fund the completion of the project. Einmo also introduced Tsige Woldegiorgis a new member of the project team at the County. Tsige (pronunciation Sea-Jay) will working on grant administration. The County will be asking the Board to continue to write letters of support for funding requests.

- F. Councilor Evans asked what the status of the WPCF permit is and when construction would begin. DEQ requires a Land Use Compatibility Statement from Linn County, so the County is working to secure that and submit it. The expected start is next year. Councilor Zeyen-Hall asked about permits. Einmo confirmed in addition to the WPCF permits other permits will be needed.

Chair Kirsch thanked Marion County for all their efforts.

The board did not go into Executive Session as previously noted on the agenda.

Meeting Adjourned: 6:35 p.m.