



Executive Committee Meeting

Meeting Minutes

April 16, 2021

Region 1 Planning Council, 127 N Wyman St, Rockford, IL 61101

1) Call to Order

With a quorum present, the meeting was called to order by Mayor Chamberlain at 9:03 am.

2) Roll Call

Members Present: Boone County, City of Belvidere, City of Loves Park, City of Rockford, North Park Water District, Village of Machesney Park (arrived 9:06 am), Winnebago County.

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Michael Dunn, Isaac Guerrero, Julia Halsted.

3) Public Comment

There were none present who wished to address the Committee.

4) Consent Agenda

Motion by City of Loves Park, seconded by Boone County, to **approve** the February 12, 2021, Meeting Minutes. Motion **approved** by unanimous by roll call vote.

Motion by Boone County, seconded by Winnebago County, to **approve** the February 12, 2021, Closed Session Meeting Minutes. Motion **approved** unanimously by roll call vote.

5) Item for Discussion

a. Council of Governments (COG) Update

Mr. Dunn and Mr. Guerrero provided an update on current COG projects, funding opportunities, and next steps.

b. Land Bank and Community Development Operations

Mr. Dunn provided an update on Land Bank operations including Trustee program performance and related legal matters. Mr. Chiarelli provided an update on the County's experience with the Council as Agent to the Trustee. The Committee recommended the development of Trustee objection standards.

c. Legislative Requests

Mr. Dunn shared that the Council has been working with congressional representatives and US Economic Development Administration on capital funding requests. The Committee then discussed projects for consideration and collaboration. Mr. Dunn and Mr. Guerrero provided information on upcoming Economic Development Administration funding.

d. *Surface Transportation Block (STBG) Grant Update*

Mr. Dunn shared congressional efforts to increase STBG funding and an update on the process of current application review.

6) Other Business

The Committee recognized and thanked Mr. Chamberlain for his service as a member and chairman of the Rockford Metropolitan Agency for Planning, 2013-2017, and leadership as a founding member and inaugural chairperson of Region 1 Planning Council, 2017 - 2021. He was honored and thanked for his commitment, collaboration, leadership, and service to the community.

7) Adjournment

Motion by North Park Water, **seconded** by Boone County, to adjourn. The meeting was **adjourned** at 10:07 am.

Meeting minutes prepared by: Julia Halsted

Minutes approved by action of the Committee: June 25, 2021