

GNRC

Greater Nashville Regional Council
501 Union Street, 6th Floor
Nashville, Tennessee 37219-1705

Executive Committee Meeting
Wednesday, March 19, 2014 - 11:00 a.m.
Music City Central
400 Charlotte Avenue
Nashville, Tennessee

MINUTES

THOSE IN ATTENDANCE:

Rogers Anderson	Williamson County
Howard Bradley	Robertson County
Ernest Burgess	Rutherford County
Fred Burton	Wilson County
Mike Carter	Westmoreland
Sam Childs	Coopertown
Jo Ann Graves	Gallatin
Gerald Herman	White House
Anthony Holt	Sumner County
Randall Hutto	Wilson County
Rick Johnson	Ashland City
Denise McBride	THDA
Frank McKee	UT/CTAS
Kim McMillan	Clarksville
Ken Moore	Franklin
Bob Rial	Dickson County
Robin Wollaeger	Ashland City
Ken Wilber	Portland
Tauna Blaisdell	GNRC
Patty Cavanah	GNRC
Amanda Evilcizer	GNRC
Grant Green	GNRC
Jovia King	GNRC
Norma Powell	GNRC
Tim Roach	GNRC
Matt Von Lunen	GNRC
Gayle Wilson	GNRC

CALL TO ORDER

President Rogers Anderson called the Executive Committee Meeting to order at approximately 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, March 19, 2014 at the Music City Central Station, 400 Charlotte Avenue, Nashville, Tennessee.

President Anderson welcomed any new members and guests.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

RESEARCH, PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Tim Roach, Deputy Executive Director of Research, Planning and Development, two (2) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) applications were submitted for Vanleer and Sumner County. The Tennessee Economic and Community Development department has started reviewing all applications.

Mr. Roach also stated that new planning contracts will be sent out very soon.

SALE/MOVE UPDATE

Tim Roach, Deputy Executive Director of Research, Planning and Development, reported that GNRC has contacted a commercial broker to put their offices at 501 Union Street (2nd floor and 6th floor) on the market. A contract should be ready next week to do so through active marketing and advertisement. We are now at the mercy of the market.

LEGISLATIVE ISSUES

Tim Roach, Deputy Executive Director of Research, Planning and Development, reported everything will be very fluid between now and adjournment. We will be keeping close watch on actions being taken.

Amendments are still be proposed on the annexation bill and it may be delayed another year.

Franklin Mayor Ken Moore as Chair of the Middle Tennessee Mayor's Caucus has been spending a lot of time at the legislature and visiting with senators and representatives on the annexation bills.

Mayor Moore reported that the House had already passed an annexation bill that would no longer allow annexation by ordinance. Mayor Moore stated that the senate has rewritten Senator Watson's bill but they are hoping to combine that bill with Senator Rusty Crowe's bill.

Mayor Moore stated that the Guns in Parks bill had no action yesterday. Many school events are conducted in the parks and school officials have spoken with their representatives asking to help them protect the children. This particular bill is in the House now.

The Anti-AMP Bill is concerning as it will require approval by municipalities followed by TDOT. We have expressed our concerns because there is already a planning process and this seems to circumvent that process. It seems that the General Assembly wants to legislate planning.

Clarksville Mayor Kim McMillan informed members that all the letters and phone calls by members to their elected representatives and senators have been effective on the transportation bill. If it works on this bill, it can work on others.

All rating agencies are carefully looking at the raise taxes bill but we are hoping this bill is stopped in Finance.

Mr. Roach stated that the "newspaper of general circulation for the purpose of advertising public notices" bill is still ongoing but it appears that the newspaper lobbyists have gotten involved.

ACTION ITEMS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

President Rogers Anderson called for corrections or additions to the minutes of the February 19, 2014 Executive Committee meeting.

Robertson County Mayor Howard R. Bradley made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Portland Mayor Ken Wilber seconded the motion. There being no discussion, a vote was taken and the minutes were unanimously approved.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Tauna Blaisdell, Deputy Executive Director of Administration/Operations and Chief Fiscal Officer, presented the financial report for the month ending February 28, 2014. The total expenditures for the month of February were \$384,301.95 with \$16,000.00 in pass through funds for the THDA Emergency Repair Program. Year-to-date expenditures were \$5,044,674.72 with \$2,108,124.41 in pass through funds expended. The total revenues were \$5,484,425.92.

Clarksville Mayor Kim McMillan made a motion to accept the financial report as given. Wilson County Mayor Randall Hutto seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

PROJECT REVIEW

Tim Roach, Deputy Executive Director of Research, Planning and Development, presented three (3) new projects that were reviewed this reporting period. Staff found no conflict with existing or planned activities and recommended approval.

Portland Mayor Ken Wilber made a motion to approve the projects as submitted. Clarksville Mayor Kim McMillan seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

RESOLUTION GNRC 2014-11

Dennis Huffer, Legal Counsel, presented Resolution GNRC 2014-11: A Resolution Amending Purchasing Procedures Relative to Real Property. This resolution amends GNRC Resolution No. 96-06 to remove "Real Property" from the competitive bidding process. The GNRC Executive Committee will still be the approving authority on real property which may be purchased, leased or lease-purchased.

President Rogers Anderson reported that the GNRC Finance & Personnel Committee voted unanimously to approve this resolution.

Sumner County Executive Anthony Holt made a motion to approve Resolution GNRC 2014-11 as presented. Gallatin Mayor Jo Ann Graves seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

RESOLUTION GNRC 2014-12

Norma Powell, Assistant Aging Director presented the Resolution GNRC 2014-12: A Resolution for revision of GNRC's Area Agency on Aging and Disability Advisory Council Bylaws. Ms. Powell explained that a lot of former Advisory Council members didn't feel comfortable attending meetings when their replacements were attending but they still wanted to be involved. This resolution urges the use of former members to be utilized as a resource pool, have a voice at Advisory Council meetings but have no vote.

President Rogers Anderson stated that all of our meetings are open to the public.

President Anderson reported that the GNRC Finance & Personnel Committee voted unanimously to approve this resolution.

Gallatin Mayor Jo Ann Graves made a motion to approve Resolution GNRC 2014-12 as submitted. Wilson County Mayor Randall Hutto seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

RESOLUTION GNRC 2014-13

Norma Powell, Assistant Aging Director presented the Resolution GNRC 2014-13: A Resolution Approving the GNRC's Area Agency on Aging and Disability Proposed FY 2015 Area Plan, FY 2015 Area Plan Goals and Objectives and FY 2015 State and Federal Funds Allocation to Implement the FY 2015 Area Plan.

Ms. Powell reported that this is an annual resolution to be passed by the Executive Committee in order for the Area Plan to meet the April 1st deadline for submission. This budget reflects the same amount that GNRC AAAD has been using for FY 2014.

President Rogers Anderson reported that the GNRC Finance & Personnel Committee voted unanimously to approve this resolution.

Clarksville Mayor Kim McMillan made a motion to approve Resolution GNRC 2014-13 as submitted. Franklin Mayor Ken Moore seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

OTHER BUSINESS

Tim Roach, Deputy Executive Director of Research, Planning and Development, reported that the GNRC delegation (Lebanon Mayor Philip Craighead, Wilson County Mayor Randall Hutto and Portland Mayor Ken Wilber plus Sam Edwards and Tim Roach) will be at the National Association of Development Organizations in Washington, DC next week. The delegation has meetings scheduled for all of our Congressman and Senators except for Representative DesJarlais. Mr. Roach asked the Committee if they had anything specific they wanted the delegation to discuss in those meetings. The Committee asked that continued funding of the Older Americans Act and funding the Transportation Bill be discussed as important to our Greater Nashville Region.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Cavanah

Recording Secretary
Executive Administrative Assistant/Fiscal Assistant
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