

GNRC

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

Executive Committee Meeting
Wednesday, August 20, 2014 – 10:45 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
Sam Childs	Coopertown
Philip Craighead	Lebanon
Carlie Cruse	Senator Corker's Office
Adam Freeman	Senator Alexander's Office
Jo Ann Graves	Gallatin
Wayne Hall	Fairview
Gerald Herman	White House
Anthony Holt	Sumner County
David McCullough	Cheatham County
Larry McGoogin	TDOT
Frank McKee	UT/CTAS
Kim McMillan	Clarksville
Ken Moore	Franklin
Bill Terry	TACIR
Ken Wilber	Portland
Tauna Blaisdell	GNRC
Patty Cavanah	GNRC
Sam Edwards	GNRC
Amanda Evilcizer	GNRC
Ron Fults	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 10:45 a.m. on Wednesday, August 20, 2014 at the Music City Central Station, 400 Charlotte Avenue, Nashville, Tennessee.

President Anderson welcomed any new members and guests.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

STIMULATING ENERGY INVESTMENTS IN LOCAL JURISDICTIONS AND PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITIES

Peter Westerholm, Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, Office of Energy Programs, reported that the Qualified Energy Conservation Bond Program application deadline had been extended to September 19, 2014.

Luke Gebhard, Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, Office of Energy Programs, announced the State Energy Program 2013 Competitive Award: “Stimulating Energy Investments in Hard-to-Reach Public Sectors: Small Towns and Public Housing Authorities.” The goal of this project is to provide education, outreach and technical assistance to small local jurisdictions and public housing authorities that will support implementation of energy efficiency, energy management and renewable energy projects of local government buildings and public housing facilities in Tennessee.

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Also in today’s packet is an announcement that the FCC is making available \$100 million in funding for Rural Broadband Experiments and an overview presentation on the same subject. A copy is attached and made a part of these minutes.

AREA AGENCY ON AGING AND DISABILITY

Norma Powell, Director of Area Agency on Aging and Disability, reported that the Tennessee Commission on Aging and Disability (TCAD) conducted an audit from June 24-26, 2014 and there were six (6) findings (4 for not having data in the SAMS database and 2 in consumer files). No financial findings were made. These findings will be corrected.

RESEARCH, PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Tim Roach, Deputy Executive Director of Research, Planning and Development, stated there was no update.

COMPUTER CONVERSION UPDATE

Tauna Blaisdell, Deputy Executive Director of Administration/Operations and Chief Fiscal Officer, reported that the computer conversion has been completed and email and files are now operating on the Cloud. Everyone seems to be extremely happy with the end result.

SALE/MOVE UPDATE

Sam Edwards, Executive Director/Chief Legal Counsel, reported that there has been no interest shown since the last two (2) people saw the space. There is still no sign on the building due to the inability to place one where the Condo Association approved for placement.

ACTION ITEMS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

President Rogers Anderson called for corrections or additions to the minutes of the July 16, 2014 Executive Committee meeting.

Cheatham County Mayor David McCullough 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 July 31, 2014. The total expenditures for the month of July were \$259,519.25. The total revenues were \$189,161.84. Ms. Blaisdell reported that 58% of the FY 2015 dues have been paid.

Portland Mayor Ken Wilber made a motion to accept the financial report as given. Clarksville Mayor Kim McMillan seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

PROJECT REVIEW

Tim Roach, Deputy Executive Director of Research, Planning and Development, presented 14 new projects that were reviewed this reporting period. Staff found no conflict with existing or planned activities and recommended approval.

Robertson County Mayor Howard Bradley made a motion to approve the projects as submitted. Sumner County Executive Anthony Holt seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

President Anderson appointed:

Rutherford County Mayor Ernest Burgess
Sumner County Executive Anthony Holt
Franklin Mayor Ken Moore

OTHER BUSINESS

Sam Edwards, GNRC Executive Director/Chief Legal Counsel, reported that the State Supreme Court ruling now has Tennessee recognizing a "regulatory taking" the same as the Federal taking. The taking now needs to compensate.

Members were reminded about GNRC's 47th Annual Business Meeting and Awards Banquet being held at the Vanderbilt's Legends Golf Club on Thursday, September 18, 2014 with the business meeting starting at 4:00 p.m.

The 2nd Annual Legislative Meeting will be set up during the month of October 2014 so that the GNRC Legislative Agenda will be reviewed, updated and suggestions for new legislation can be added.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Cavanah

Recording Secretary
Executive Administrative Assistant/Fiscal Assistant
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