



TRI-COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

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EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

456 Fulton St. Suite 401

Peoria, IL 61602

Don White, CHAIRMAN

(Greg Menold, Russ Crawford, Rita Ali, Andrew Rand, Autum Jones, Chuck Nagel, John Kahl)

Monday, October 17, 2022

9:00 a.m.

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Chairman Don White called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM

2. Roll Call

Present: Don White, John Kahl, Greg Menold, and Russ Crawford. Virtual: Andrew Rand, and Autumn Jones. Absent: Rita Ali, and Chuck Nagel. Staff: Eric Miller, Ray Lees, and Debbie Ulrich

3. Public Input-none

4. Motion to approve August 15, 2022 minutes

Greg Menold moved to approve August 15, 2022 minutes and John Kahl seconded. Motion carried.

5. Executive Director report

Eric Miller updated on the following:

- We received 2 SPR grants, Comprehensive Planning work within region which City of Peoria and Peoria County are beneficiaries and Heart of Illinois Port District
 - Port District received \$500,000 grant from Senator Koehler
 - Assigning a grant manager and getting things in place.
 - Will hire a consultant to do bulk of work for Comprehensive Plan.
- Are working on Federal funding SMART planning grant
 - Smart Grid- developing a programmable and efficient energy transmissions and distribution system to support the adoption or expansion of energy capture, electric vehicle deployment or freight or commercial fleet fuel efficiency.

- Smart Technology Traffic Signals- improving the active management and functioning of traffic signals.

6. Discussion of Draft Compensation Study (attachment)

Miller updated on the Comprehensive Study done by Eric Christian

- Our salaries are average to below average
- Entry level needs to bump up and mid-level also needs a bump up.
- Our benefits
 - Health Insurance is above
 - PTO is better than most
 - Retirement is ok but we are no IMRF Plan

We need to retain our team, by salary and in place promotions.

John Kahl suggested market rate adjustments

Eric Miller said he will explore IMRF

Russ Crawford said he is not opposed of researching it.

7. Discussion of Planning Acronym list (attachment)

Eric Miller explained the Planning Acronym List

Don White will go over a few at a time at Commission meeting.

8. Discussion of TCRPC HSIP Guardrail Funding

Eric Miller explained the HSIP grant which is \$3M for Highway Safety Grant. Twelve to thirteen communities will benefit. TCRPC is not able to be lead agency so Tazewell County will be. Sent them a request to be lead agency.

9. Other

Ray Lees suggested that staff do a small presentation of themselves at Commission.

10. Adjournment

John Kahl moved to adjourn at 10:00 AM and Russ Crawford seconded. Motion carried.

Submitted by:

Eric Miller, Executive Director

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Debbie Ulrich, Office Manager