



## South Central Illinois Regional Planning & Development Commission

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### MINUTES – MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING

TUESDAY, JUNE 27, 2017

LONE STAR

EFFINGHAM, ILLINOIS

#### Commissioners Present

David Johnson	Clay County
Dale Murbarger	Clay County
Phil Wiley	Clay County
Mike Brown	Effingham County
David Campbell	Effingham County
Ernie Garbe	Effingham County
Larry Taylor	Effingham County
Sasha Althoff	Effingham County
Rick Gottman	Fayette County
John Lotz	Fayette County
John Roberts	Fayette County
Lloyd Stanley	Fayette County
Angela Fehrenbacher	Jasper County
Ken Larimore	Jasper County
Pat Burtch	Jasper County
Tom Brown	Jasper County
Erwin Hahn	Marion County
Chet Burks	Marion County
David Armbrust	Marion County
Mark Gibson	Marion County
Janie Grimes	Marion County

Guests Present: Kim Adair, Village of Louisville

Staff Present: James Patrick, Executive Director  
Jeanne Dunahee, Assistant  
Luke Eastin, Economic Development Planner

1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chairman Gottman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

#### **ROLL CALL** *(Taken by signature sheet – see the list of attendees above)*

Twenty-two voting Commissioners attended, constituting a legal quorum. Gottman asked if there was any further business. There being none, he moved on to the Recognition of Guests.

#### **RECOGNITION OF GUESTS/HEARING OF THE PUBLIC**

Patrick welcomed Kim Adair, Mayor of Louisville to the SCIRPDC Board beginning July 25, 2017 as Dale Murbarger submitted his resignation this evening. He noted the Commission board will miss Dale and appreciated his service and was presented a plaque.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

### **May 30, 2017 Monthly Meeting**

Gottman asked if there were any questions or comments concerning the Minutes of May 30, 2017. There being none, a motion was made by T. Brown to approve the Minutes as written, and a second was made by Lotz (*Approved*).

## **BILLS & COMMUNICATIONS**

### **Luke Eastin – Updated Industrial Cluster Analysis**

Eastin provided a summary packet of the South Central Illinois Regional Industry Cluster Analysis structure and trends 2007-2016. He explained what an industry cluster and an industry cluster analysis is and why it is useful. He prepared a table with “Indicators for Selecting and Prioritizing Cluster” which consisted of jobs; % change in regional employment; % change in national employment; 2016 location quotient (LQ); % change in LQ; Regional Competitive Effect and the 2016 EPW of each cluster. He also provided a table of the 2007-2016 Industry Cluster Competitive Effect “Shift Share Analysis” presenting the job change; national growth effect; industry mix effect; expected change and regional competitive effect of each cluster. Gibson

### **Human Service Transportation Contract**

Patrick noted that on page six, a letter from IDOT stated that due to the budget impasse that, as of June 30, 2017 the Commission’s contract with HSTP will not be renewed until a budget is passed or a continuing resolution is signed. Employee, Terri Finn has been notified as such and in the process of searching other employment. Patrick noted he read an article explaining the hope of having a resolution in place that will have federal pass through dollars involved which would prevent the lay-off of Ms. Finn. He also indicated the article noted 30,000 IDOT construction workers would be laid off as of July 1<sup>st</sup> across the State of Illinois.

### **IDOT Rural Planning Fund**

Patrick reported that approximately \$19,000 was used to specifically update the Industrial Cluster Analysis which funds were set aside and be the remainder of that drawn down in July so that it cannot be deobligated by the State of Illinois.

### **EDA Planning District Planning Grant Update**

Patrick and Eastin submitted the EDA Planning in December 2016 and in February 2017 EDA asked for revisions which were corrected and submitted, but four months later the Commission has not received the contract from EDA. Patrick contacted EDA Chicago’s Regional Director several times but to no avail funds have not be disbursed. The Commissions Point of Contact encouraged Patrick to continue contacting the director and her immediate supervisor by phone and email once a week until funds were received. He was told Tuesday morning, June 27<sup>th</sup> by the director that the Commission should receive funds in three to four weeks.

### **Upcoming Grant Deadlines and Submissions**

Patrick referred to page seven, reporting there were a few date changes and that the Greenways/Trail Planning Assistance program is the only one being funded at this time due to federal dollars being used. The IDNR programs are put on hold and the Commission is gearing up on Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) with nine to ten grant applications at this time, four being resubmissions. He reported Patrick, Eastin and Shaw are reviewing last year’s applications in order to meet with each municipality to update the applications with updated

information and to improve any deficits to the grants.

### **Reverse Funding Fair**

Patrick noted eleven application were submitted which allows municipalities and special taxing districts a chance to present their projects to a panel of experts from different funding agencies for possible funding. The fair will take place on Wednesday, July 19, 2017 at the Effingham Public Library from 9:30 to 3:30.

### **Elected Official Training August 24, 2017**

The Commission and Greater Wabash Regional Planning Commission are co-hosting a training on Thursday, August 24, 2017 at Olney Central College between 9:00 A.M. and 12:00 P.M. Speakers and attendees are being put together and hoping all goes well.

Patrick asked if there were any questions concerning Bills & Communications. There being none, Gottman asked for a motion to approve the Bills and Communications as presented. A motion was made by Gibson and a second from Stanley (*Approved*).

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

#### **May 16, 2017 – June 15, 2017 Commission Financial Report**

Patrick referred to page 10-16, bringing attention to checks #31665, #31686 and #31688. Checks written from May 16<sup>th</sup> through June 15<sup>th</sup> totaled \$41,036.70. Patrick moved on to page 11, reporting the activity on the Business Now Account, Checking Account, Accounts Receivables, the EDA 301 (b) Account. He then moved on to page 12, reporting the EDA Title IX RLF Account and the Title IX RLF Savings Account activities and the Title IX RLF Sequestered Account and the RBI/CDI Account. Patrick moved on to pages 13 through 16 reporting the Year-to-Date Financial Statement, Financial Projections May 2017 to June 2017, Revenue Update on CD's and on the Loan Portfolio Report. He reported that the City of Kinmundy brought their payments current and now due for their July 10<sup>th</sup> loan payment. He noted the City of Altamont's new \$123,000 loan will be added to the report next month. Patrick moved on to page 16, reporting the breakdown on Sleep Stores, Inc. loan leaving a balance of \$40,229.02 plus late fees of \$209.25 on the books, as they filed personal and business bankruptcy. Patrick noted that Tom Brown contacted him asking about the Agreed Judgment between the Commission and Thompson's that was filed through the courts. Patrick understood, from Antonik that it was null and void and noted he has asked Antonik to attend the July 25<sup>th</sup> meeting to be held in Salem to answer questions and decide whether to go forth or drop the matter. After some discussion, Gottman ask if there were any questions, there being none, a motion was made by Burks to accept the Treasurers Report as presented and seconded by Taylor (*Approved*).

### **STAFF REPORTS**

#### **May 16, 2017 – June 15, 2017**

Patrick reported, in addition to the staff reports submitted he wanted to inform those present, the Commission just completed the City of Newton Community Facility Grant application for a police car. He gave Luke Eastin kudos for taking on more responsibilities in grant writing, while Patrick has been dealing with officials at the state and federal level on EDA and IDOT grant funding.

Patrick asked if there were any questions concerning the Staff Report. That being none Gottman ask for a motion, which was made by Burks to approve staff reports as present and a motion was seconded by Armbrust (*Approved*).

*Meeting Minutes (cont.)*

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

None

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Sleep Stores, Inc. (Thompson's) Update**

Patrick asked if anyone had any comments or questions he would convey to Antonik before the July meeting. None were conveyed.

**NEW BUSINESS**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Murbarger and seconded by Gibson, to adjourn the Commission's monthly business meeting held on June 27, 2017 (*Approved*). The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

**APPROVED THIS, THE 25<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JULY, 2017 A.D.**

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Herb Henson, Corporate Secretary  
SCIRPDC

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Rick Gottman, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chairman  
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