

MINUTES

**ECI REGIONAL PLANNING DISTRICT
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING – 2nd Quarter / 2019
TUESDAY, MAY 14TH, at 2;30 P.M. – DELAWARE COUNTY
Innovation Connector – 1208 W White River Blvd – Muncie**

Present: Marta Moody, Shane Middlesworth, James King, John Oxley, Randy Geesaman, Bill Walters, Brad Bookout, Angela Moyer, Donald Wimmer, Ryan Ballard
Absent: Bill Hess, Tanya Hiatt, Mike Burton, Governor's Appointee

1. **Welcome/Introductions:** Marta Moody welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. **Roll Call:** Walters completed roll call with those present and absent listed above.
3. **Approval of February 19th, 2018 minutes:** King motioned to approve. Middlesworth seconded. Motion carried.
4. **Treasurers Report through April, 2019:** Middlesworth gave the Treasurer's Report by reviewing the Balance Sheet and the Profit & Loss Sheet. Middlesworth explained profit & loss does not match due to the taxes being paid quarterly. King motioned to approve. Moody seconded. Motion carried.
5. **Board President Report:** Moody has nothing to report.
6. **Executive Director Report:** Walters gave summary of executive director's report.
7. **New Business:**
 - a. **ECIRPD Community Development Corp.:** Bookout explained that he set up a land bank to hold brownfield sites for repurposing.
 - b. **Credit Card Resolution:** Walters explained that per the SBOA Audit that a credit card resolution is required and is due by June 30, 2019. King motioned and Wimmer seconded to recommend approval to the full board. Motion carried.
 - c. **Internal Controls Ordinance:** Walters explained that per the SBOA Audit that an ordinance is required and due by June 30, 2019. King motioned and Wimmer seconded to recommend approval to the full board. Motion carried.
 - d. **Purdue Internship:** Walters explained that Purdue University was taking applications for a summer intern for a 50% match. He stated that the ECIRPD did not have funds to hire an intern. Purdue offered to pay 100% up to \$5,000.00. Walters hired Tyler Walter and he will begin working June 10, 2019.
 - e. **Selma Street Light Grant:** Bookout explained he submitted a USDA grant application for street lights for \$90,000.00. He anticipates receiving a response in 60

days. He also noted that if anyone else is interested in this type of grant to let him know.

f. Albany Pedestrian Bridge Project: Bookout explained he is working with the Town of Albany and United Consulting to prepare a grant application to assist with funding a pedestrian bridge in the town park.

g. \$1.5 Million RDA Grant Management: Bookout applied for and received \$5,000 from Ball Bros. Foundation to hire an OCRA Certified Grant Administrator.

h. RDA awarded \$217k to Jay, Blackford & Henry Co.: Bookout explained the City of Portland applied and was awarded funding. Bookout would like Blackford County to apply.

8. Old Business:

a USDA BEST grant update: Bookout explained that Ted Baker from the Innovation Connector is working on a program to expand services to the rural communities. He has already held a meeting in Montpelier and has upcoming meetings in Portland and Winchester.

b. Grant and Delaware Counties EDA Update – I69 Committee: Walters shared that he had a kick off meeting earlier today.

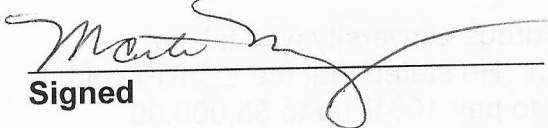
c. Washington DC Fly-In June 12-14.: Walters explained this will be discussed at the full board meeting.

d. Fire Territory Washington and Harrison Townships: Walters explained this project is still ongoing but is a slow process.

e. Merchant McIntyre agreement: Bookout explained that Delaware County pledged \$40,000.00, Ted Baker pledge \$15,000.00 and Mayor Geesaman would like to assist in funding and is waiting on approval for \$5,000.00 to \$10,000.00.

9. Roundtable Discussion: Bookout introduced Ryan Ballard to the board.

10. Adjournment: King motioned and Middlesworth seconded. Motion carried.


Signed