

## MINUTES

**ECI REGIONAL PLANNING DISTRICT  
BOARD MEETING – 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter / 2020  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11TH, at 3:00 P.M. – DELAWARE COUNTY  
Innovation Connector – 1208 W White River Blvd – Muncie**

Present: Bill Walters, James King, Shane Middlesworth, Marta Moody, Brad Bookout, Ryan Ballard, Angie Moyer, Adam Jones, Dan Ridenour, Richard Ivy, Randy Dunnuck, Tim Smith, Roger Wells, Brett Ellison, Rich Lee, Jane Sickman, Kathy Bantz, Kevin Sulc, Wil Hampton, Jerry Alexander, Susie Ripley, Melissa Acton, Katie Madaj, Jeff Larrison, Pete Peterson, & Adam Jones

Proxy: Don Wimmer gave proxy to Shane Middlesworth

### **AGENDA ITEMS:**

1. **Welcome / Introductions:** Walters called the meeting to order and gave introductions.
2. **Roll Call:** Walters completed the roll call with those present noted above.
3. **Election of Officers:** James King – President, Shane Middlesworth – Vice President, Ryan Ballard – Treasurer, Kathy Bantz – Secretary, Bill Hess – Blackford County, Dan Ridenour & Rich Lee – Delaware County, Jane Sickman & Don Wimmer – Grant County. Middlesworth motioned to approve. Sickman seconded. Motion carried.
4. **Guest Speaker Chad Kinsella from BSU.** Walters introduced Chad Kinsella (see attached bio) and Kinsella gave presentation.
5. **Approval of November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019 minutes:** Moody motioned to approve minutes. Sickman seconded. Motion carried.
6. **Treasurers Report through December 2019:** Ballard gave the Treasurer's Report by reviewing the Balance Sheet and the Profit & Loss Sheet. Middlesworth motioned to approve. Lee seconded. Motion carried.
7. **Board President Report:** Nothing to present.
8. **Executive Director Report:** Walters summarized a list of projects, meetings and highlights of his work. See attached list.
9. **New Business:**
  - a. **Open:** None presented.

**b. Washington Fly-In 2020 – (May 20-22):** Walters explained he already has a full group and if anyone is interested for 2021 to let him know.

**10. Old Business:**

**a USDA BEST grant update:** Walters shared that he recently submitted his 4<sup>th</sup> reimbursement for \$8,515.40. Grant ends 6/13/2020. He plans to apply for additional funding to provide satellite offices to Blackford, Grant & Randolph County.

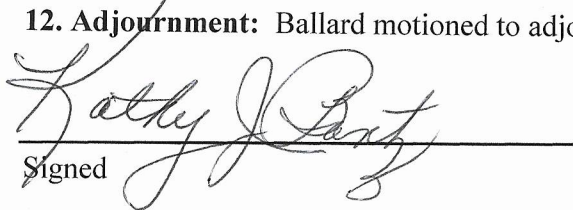
**b. I-69 Steering Committee update:** Bookout explained he had stakeholder meetings for all the interchanges and had great participation. REA is compiling their findings and will be having a meeting on February 20, 2020 to provide the I-69 Steering Committee an update.

**c. \$1.5m RDA Grant update:** Bookout explained that ECI is the facilitator of funding for the Riverside Trail Project. He anticipates a draw of \$160,000.00 coming soon to pay invoices. Bookout suggested if anyone is interested in applying for Next Level grant funds to reach out to him and he will assist

**d. RFP Updates:** Walters explained he has (3) Brownfields Remediation projects out for RFP and they are due on March 9<sup>th</sup> and will be opening proposals on March 10<sup>th</sup>. He is unable to attend the RFP opening and he needed two volunteers to assist Bookout. Moody and Ballard volunteered. One property is left and he is working diligently to get this out for RFP.

**11. Roundtable Discussion:** Walters thanked Ridenour and Ivy for attending the meeting and he is pleased to have Muncie return to the organization. Everyone applauded.

**12. Adjournment:** Ballard motioned to adjourn. Middlesworth seconded. Motion carried.

  
Signed