

MINUTES
STEEL RIVERS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
NOVEMBER 5, 2020

The SRCOG Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 6:31pm on November 5, 2020 by SRCOG President Tammy Firda via ZOOM.

Those Present Included

Braddock Hills: Jack Brown
Clairton:
Dravosburg:
Duquesne: Nikole Nesby
Elizabeth: Andy Miklos
Forward: Amy Cline
Glassport: Elaina Skiba
Homestead:
Liberty: Mike Zrenchak

Lincoln: Tammy Firda
McKeesport: Tom Maglicco
Munhall: Mark Fallon
Port Vue: Debbie Thomas
S. Versailles: Roy Lawson
Versailles: Rob Jacklitch
W. Elizabeth:
W. Homestead:
Whitaker:
White Oak: Louis Bender

Welcoming Remarks

None

Public Comments

None

Minutes

A. Cline has an adjustment to Minutes: under Act 152 section, update spelling to Mayor Cherepko. A **motion** was made by J. Brown and seconded by E. Skiba to approve the Minutes of the Meeting of October 1, 2020 with amendments by A. Cline. All in favor. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: An Lewis

A **motion** was made by D. Thomas and seconded by L. Bender to approve the Cash Statement for October 2020 and the List of Bills as dated. All in favor. Motion carried.

A Profit and Loss Budget vs. Actual report was provided to members.

President's Report: T. Firda

T. Firda, A. Lewis, members of the TCVCOG, and Mayors Lattanzi and Cherepko met with County Executive Rich Fitzgerald to discuss the ACT 152 Program. The program is still in the planning phase and will most likely flow the same as the CBDG Program, but all seem open to support from SRCOG and others to help shape the program.

MINUTES
STEEL RIVERS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
NOVEMBER 5, 2020

Solicitor's Report/Resolutions: Falco Muscante

A **motion** was made by N. Nesby and seconded by J. Brown to approve Resolution No. 13/2020R to authorize filing of CDBG Year 46 application for Project Management requesting CD funds of \$94,050. All in favor. Motion carried.

A **motion** was made by E. Skiba and seconded by A. Cline to approve Resolution No. 14/2020R to authorize SRCOG's filing of applications for Community Development Year 47 Block Grant Funds with the Allegheny County Department of Economic Development on behalf of SRCOG Municipalities; request CD funds totaling \$2,429,928 for projects identified in Attachment A. All in favor. Motion carried.

A **motion** was made by N. Nesby and seconded by M. Fallon to approve Resolution No. 15/2020R to authorize SRCOG to enter into contract with D.J. Demolition Company for an amount not to exceed \$56,650 for the Safe Neighborhood Demolition project in the City of Duquesne. All in favor. Motion carried.

Staff Reports

Directors/Programs Report: An Lewis

HB 2438

A. Lewis explains the Southwestern PA Planning Commission has recently begun convening meetings with a handful of people that include broadband developers to discuss the lack of broadband access, principally in rural communities. HB 2438 allows broadband developers that are organized as electric co-ops and affiliates to build, expand, and install broadband infrastructure in existing electrical right of ways. A. Lewis to continue to follow these conversations in case broadband services/expansion becomes a need for any community.

N. Nesby explains that there is a need in her community.

Regional Training Complex Lease Renewal Request

T. Firda and A. Lewis have begun to discuss a renewal of the Regional Training Complex Lease Agreement, as it expires in 2025, following the finish of Rich Fitzgerald's term in 2023. If there is a lack of interest in renewing this lease, A. Lewis and staff may ask board members for letters of support to explain why the training facility needs to remain.

Human Service Center

MUSA has exercised the option to extend their temporary lease to December 7, 2020.

MINUTES
STEEL RIVERS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
NOVEMBER 5, 2020

The Allegheny County Housing Authority has time left on their short term lease, but A. Lewis and staff may be drafting a new, longer term lease soon. A. Lewis to keep the board updated.

SRCOG Budget

The budget was distributed to the board in October and included in the packet. No questions about the budget were posed.

A **motion** was made by N. Nesby and seconded by J. Brown to authorize the 2021 Budget. All in favor. Motion carried.

Virtual General Assembly

Discussion about convening the General Assembly meeting on ZOOM. A. Lewis and staff to send out a personalized invitation letter along with the 2019 Annual Report to all municipal offices.

Meeting Schedule

As long as the emergency declaration is in place, meetings will continue to be online.

Meeting Date	Location
November 5, 2020	ONLINE
December 3, 2020	VIRTUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY
January 7, 20201	ONLINE??

Community Development Report: Carla Barron

ACED deadline for submission of fully completed applications for CD Year 47 is Friday, November 13, 2020.

SRCOG is currently soliciting bids for Training Complex backstop improvements. Bid opening is scheduled for December 1, 2020.

GEDTF funds have been approved for the White Oak Borough Center Street Extension Landslide Remediation & Retaining Wall project.

GEDTF funds have been approved for the demolition of Old Liberty School in Liberty Borough.

Community Reports / Discussion

Executive Session

The board entered Executive Session at 7:14p.m.

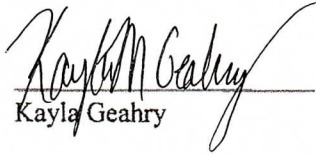
MINUTES
STEEL RIVERS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
NOVEMBER 5, 2020

The board came out of Executive Session at 7:22p.m.

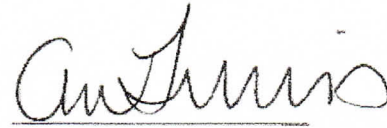
Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:22p.m. on a **motion** made by E. Skiba. All in favor. Motion carried.

ATTEST:



Kayla Geahry



An Lewis, Executive Director