



NORTH CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA REGIONAL PLANNING and DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

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North Central Executive Committee Meeting Wednesday, October 23, 2019

Members

H. James Thomas	Cameron County
Mark McCracken	Clearfield County
Matthew Quesenberry	Elk County
Daniel Freeburg	Elk County
Jeffrey Pisarcik	Jefferson County
Carol Duffy	McKean County
Douglas Morley	Potter County

Staff

James Chorney
Amy Kessler
Cheryl DePanfilis
Christine Perneski
Julie Kasmierski
Katie Geci
Edward Matts
Mary Lou Jessop

Guests

Debra Thompson	Strategy Solutions
Jay Breneman	Strategy Solutions
Hoop Roche	Strategy Solutions
Susan Yurkeiwicz	Strategy Solutions
Brian Stockman	Ridgway Record
Brianne Fleming	Courier Express

Chair Quesenberry called the meeting to order at 9:35 with the pledge to the flag.

QUORUM/INTRODUCTIONS

With guests present introductions were made. There was a quorum for the meeting.

MINUTES

With no corrections or amendments to the September 25, 2019, Executive Committee Minutes, Doug Morley, moved to accept the minutes as presented, seconded by Jeff Pisarcik. Motion unanimously passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Financial Reports

With no further comments or questions on the September Financial Reports, Mark McCracken moved to accept the Financial Reports as presented, seconded by Doug Morley. Motion unanimously passed.

A95s

There were no A95s for the month.

Correspondence

There were several pieces of correspondence in the mailing, along with one that was handed out.

The first was a letter of support for the Benezette Township's PennDOT Multi-modal Grant.

The second was a letter of support for the McKean County, PA, FY-19 Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (CRISI) Grant Application.

And the letter that was handed out is a letter from Tom Beveridge of Coppolo & Coppolo confirming that Coppolo & Coppolo will continue to act as Solicitor for North Central until June 30, 2020, at the same quarterly retainer of \$1,250. For document preparation and representation above and beyond the basics, he will continue to charge the hourly rate of \$150/hour for all work performed.

Purchases

There was one Purchase for the month. North Central is requesting permission to enter into an Enterprise License Agreement with ESRI for GIS Software in the amount of \$10,000. Amy added that ESRI recognized us as a non-profit and therefore we were afforded a lower annual fee with more benefits.

Doug Morley moved to approve the request to enter into an Enterprise License Agreement with ESRI for GIS Software in the amount of \$10,000, seconded by Jeff Pisarcik. Motion unanimously passed.

Resolutions

There were no Resolutions for the month.

Loans

There were no Loans for the month.

Broadband

Regarding Broadband, Ed said we are moving forward with the five projects we received money from the State to work on. Cloe in Jefferson County will hopefully be on line within the next few weeks. We have completed the basic setup of Ormsby in McKean County. Now it is time to start getting customers

on board with that one. We will be looking at the Miola project in Clarion County in conjunction with the Northwest Commission.

We are still doing quite a bit of work in the Curwensville, Clearfield, Grampian areas. There is a lot of need in that area for it.

On the Vertical Asset Study, we received final approval late last month and we have advertised for a new position. We have an interview on Thursday, October 24. This person will be working within the school districts to start our collection of the information so it can be put into ESRI software data base. This will allow us to track all the information and eventually have a grant to be able to allow us to apply for additional dollars.

Ed stated that site will be available to everyone once it is completed.

DISCUSSION

The November regularly scheduled meeting is November 27 (Marks' birthday), the day before Thanksgiving. We are seeing if you want the meeting changed to Wednesday, November 20 or keep it on November 27.

Dan Freeburg moved to change the November meeting date to Wednesday, November 20, seconded by Mark McCracken. Motion unanimously passed.

Therefore, the next North Central Executive Committee Meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 20, starting at 9:30 AM in the Teleconference Room.

ADJOURN

With no additional items to be discussed, Chair Quesenberry called for a motion to adjourn. Jim Thomas moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Jeff Pisarcik. The meeting adjourned at 9:43 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Freeburg
Secretary/Treasurer