



Special Executive Committee Meeting Minutes - approved 11/7/24

Thursday, October 30, 2024

5:30 pm

Attendees:

Executive Committee Members: Christa Shute (Executive Director) Nick Anzalone (Chair), Mary Metcalf, Tom Fisher, John Reid, Siobhan Perricone, Paul Fixx, Brian Machesney, Mike Strait, and Sally Vallat, Jeremy Matt, Chuck Burt

Governing Board Members: Rudy Chase, Dave Conley, Marty Feltus, John Morris, Terrence Curran, Henry Amistadi, John Stone

Additional Staff: Tonya Ozone, Kitty Ufford-Chase, Jennille Smith

5:31 pm Meeting started with a quorum.

Agenda Review - approved with no objections.

Public Comment: None

Henry Amistadi entered at 5:33pm.

Complexity & Communication: The potential role of the Executive Committee

Discussion Summary: Nick explained that the BEAD funding process requires more development of our budget and construction plans beyond 2025. He mentioned the four talking points from the Memo that Christa sent out and asked EC members to help communicate those points to other GB members and the wider community as needed. talked about the memo that Christa sent out about framing. Christa explained that we're in a position to plan out in a longer timeframe and we have the need to do so. If we've secured funding, the timing dates of construction plans are more confident than in the areas where we have not secured funding yet. The budget also outlines an increase in staff and consultants because of an ambitious construction season planned for 2025 and the complexity of having 8 different sources of grant funding.

There was also a discussion about how to communicate those planned construction plans to GB members in addition to the Virtual Open Houses that we have been doing for GB members this week.

Jeremy entered at 5:37pm. Chuck entered at 5:39pm.

2025 NEKCV Budget

Motioned: Siobhan Perricone Seconded: Jeremy Matt	Passed with no objections Passed with objections Failed
Motion: to go into Executive Session under the provisions of 1 VSA §313 with EC Members, Board Members, staff, and consultants, in order to discuss the budget for the next fiscal finding that premature disclosure could substantially disadvantage the CUD if it were to be made public at this time.	Passed with no objections

Executive session was entered at 5:46 pm and ended at 6:20pm. No action was taken.

Motioned: Mary Metcalf Seconded: Jeremy Matt	Passed with no objections Passed with objections Failed
Motion: to recommend the 2025 NEKCV Budget for approval by the Governing Board.	Approved unanimously.

Nov. 12 Annual Meeting - Slate and Process

Discussion Summary: Nick asked whether there are any signs of more than one person interested in a County seat on the EC so that he can be aware of that going into the Nov. 12 meeting. After the 5 county seats are set, there will be 6 other seats on the EC to fill. At the Nov. 12 meeting, everyone will get a term that will end at our Annual Meeting in May. At that Meeting there we will vote again for the EC members to take staggering terms. Then, going forward, every term will be a 3 year term. It is to be determined how those staggered terms will be set up.

John Stone entered at 6:30pm. Paul suggested that we should put Board Development on an upcoming EC agenda in the near future.

Adjourn

Motioned: Mary Metcalf Seconded: Jeremy Matt	Passed with no objections Passed with objections Failed
Motion: To adjourn at 6:45 pm.	Passed with no objections

Drafted by Kitty Ufford-Chase