

## Executive Committee

**MINUTES:** Thursday, April 12, 2018; Time: 3:00 PM

### Conference Line

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**Executive Committee Members in Attendance:** Bob Flint, Bob Haynes, Peter Gregory, Walter Martone, Kristi Morris

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**Others in Attendance:** Mark Condon, GMEDC, Allison Hopkins, SWCRPC

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Meeting called to order at 3:05 P.M.

1. **Welcome and Introductions:** ECVEDD President Thomas Kennedy was unavailable, thus Vice President Bob Flint ran the meeting
2. Approval of **November 20, 2017 Minutes**

**MOTION:**

- Kristi Morris moved to approve the minutes.
- Bob Haynes seconded the motion.
- All in favor: motion approved.

3. **FY 18 Grant:**

Bob F. said SRDC is doing emergency preparedness worksheet for businesses. They put together a subcommittee of people who were directly involved with Irene damage and looking at what can be thought of ahead of time. The worksheet checklist for businesses is now complete and being distributed. They are also working on the Matt Dunne Park Street Tech Accelerator project. There has been a variety of predevelopment work that has been done. It is still too early to say if the project is going to go. They are also working on developing their staff capacity. They also do some statistical analysis of the area for the dashboard.

Pater G. stated that TRORC had been working with the Mount Ascutney Prevention Partnership and completed an inventory of all towns' ordinances and language in their town plans regarding health. They are doing some website upgrades for the ECVEDD site. And they have done some staff trainings on economic development as part of capacity building.

Allison H. said SWCRPC has been doing health assessments in Weathersfield and Springfield. They are also working on a mapping project centered around health resources and public services. There will be three maps for public use that has proximity analysis to everything from food pantries, doctor's offices down to thrift stores in their area. They are working with 211 and local fire departments on this.

Bob H. said has been working on the Creative Economy on both sides of the river. There have been meetings with the State steering group, Dartmouth Entrepreneurial Network (DEN) and Opera North. He is planning to get a meeting with Nick Grimley, Mike Schirling, Ted Brady and Anne Duncan Cooley, who is Bob's counterpart across the river in NH. And Mark has been taking trainings on CDBG and the Environmental Review process.

## 4. FY19 Work Plan

Bob F. said that the partner organizations talked a few weeks ago regarding the FY19 work plan. They are looking at the same funding levels as this past year and the projects that will be worked on. Peter G. noted that this year they will be incorporating into the EDA budget the costs for such things as insurance, webhosting and other hard costs such as for the annual meeting and workshops. That way we would recover 50% of those costs from EDA rather than splitting them out of our own pockets as we do now.

Peter also noted that we may be adding some money into the budget for Anni MacKay and the 3CVT. Bob F. said that they had a networking meeting at the Cartoon School in White River Junction and will have another in Springfield on June 7th.

## 5. Treasurer's Report

Peter G. made the treasurer's report, stating that the current cash position is around \$1,885 which includes funds from self-assessments. That will fund insurance and the spring workshop we have coming up in Ascutney.

## 6. District Peer Review

Peter G. said that he recently heard from Matt Suchodolski who said "stay tuned in the spring." When Peter hears more, he will let the partners know.

## 7. Full Board Agenda and Spring Workshop, Set Date and Agenda

The Full Board Meeting will be held immediately prior to the Spring Workshop. This will be held at the Mt. Ascutney Resort on either May 17<sup>th</sup> or 24<sup>th</sup> (the resort is being checked with regarding availability). The topic of the workshop will be Outdoor Recreation with Trey Martin of DRM and Vermont Outdoor Recreation Economic Collaborative being the Keynote Speaker. Bob H. suggested Doon Hinderychx as a panelist. Doon is the Chair of the Rochester Selectboard and owner of Green Mountain Bikes. Notice of the meeting has to be given at least 15 days in advance.

Kristi M. asked if the Weathersfield Town Manager would be invited. Bob F. said that all the Town Managers are on our list.

The suggested Board Agenda was reviewed and was determined to be good.

## 8. Other Business

There was no other business.

## 9. Adjourn

### **MOTION:**

- Bob F. moved to adjourn.
- Bob H. seconded the motion.
- All in favor: motion approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:27pm.