

## **Meeting Minutes**

## East Central Vermont Economic Development District Full Board Meeting December 9, 2022 3 PM (VIRTUAL)

Members Present: Bob Flint, Peter Gregory, Jason Rasmussen, Kristi Morris, Sam Hooper, Erika Hoffman-Kiess, Joan Goldstein, Jerry Fredrickson, Carol Lighthall, Joshua "Bushrod" Powers, Walter Martone, Marvin Harrison

Others Present: Mark Condon, Allison Hopkins, Sarah Wraight

Bob Flint opened the meeting at 3:00 PM.

1. Minutes from 05/26/2022 ECVEDD Board Meeting

Walter Martone made a motion to approve the May 26, 2022 meeting minutes as presented. Second by Sam Hooper. Motion approved unanimously.

2. Treasurer's Report

Mark Condon presented the financial report as of Dec. 7, 2022.

3. Grant Status (both current grants)

Bob Flint reported that the planning grant contract is for a 9-month period. The remaining 3 month period is anticipated to come separately or possibly combined with the next fiscal year as a 15 month contract.

Work on the supplemental grant will be complete by December 31st.

4. Spring Workshop Topics

The spring workshop would be in late May and the topic is presentation for available ARPA and other funding programs for municipalities and businesses.

5. Partner Updates

Mark Condon and Erika Hoffman-Kiess reported that GMEDC's new Vista volunteer is working on website updates and outreach (newsletter, email blasts, etc.). GMEDC also is working on business outreach, child care, and BRIC in Randolph.

Sarah Wraight indicated that TRORC work on the supplemental grant has wrapped up. It included developing a resilience plan, technical assistance for sole proprietors, and town ARPA support. Under the planning grant, TRORC is working on smoke free public spaces, health related town plan updates, and food insecurity planning efforts.





Bob Flint reported that SRDC continues working on outreach for small business support, BIPAC-owned business support, recovery-friendly workplaces with Working Fields, co-sponsored an event for employers, resources for other business needs (mental health), EDA grant to expand BRIC in Randolph, and child care.

Jason Rasmussen reported for MARC. Under the supplemental grant, MARC has been working on broadband and outdoor recreation and will be wrapping that up in a couple of weeks. For the planning grant MARC continues to work on health equity, food insecurity, and recovery friendly community work.

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None.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:30 PM.

