

**Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting of the
West Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (WCWRPC)
Thursday, January 26, 2023
Zoom Video or Dial-In Meeting**

Commissioners Present by Phone/Video: Louie Okey, George Rohmeyer, Joe Waichulis, John Frank, Sharon Kelly, Ryan Sicard

Commissioners Absent: Steve Rasmussen

Staff Present: Lynn Nelson, Lisa Ruth, Susan Badtke

1. **Call to Order:** Chair Okey called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.
2. **Review and Approve Executive Committee Minutes of December 14, 2022:** A motion was made by Mr. Waichulis to approve the December 14, 2022 Executive Committee meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Mr. Frank; motion carried.
3. **Motion to go into Closed Session:** Pursuant to the Provisions of Section 19.85(1) (e) and (g) of Wisconsin Statutes to “review loan applications, negotiate the terms for investment of public funds, and confer with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved”. Mr. Frank moved to go into closed session, seconded by Mr. Waichulis; motion carried.
4. **Roll Call Vote to be Taken:** A roll call vote was taken; all Commissioners present voted in the affirmative.

Closed Session

5. **Review of Main Street Bounceback Applications:** Applications were reviewed by the Executive Committee.
6. **Return to Open Session:** Mr. Sicard moved to return the meeting to open session, seconded by Mr. Rohmeyer; motion carried.

Open Session

7. **Any Appropriate Motion/Action:** Ms. Badtke noted that the Main Street Bounceback Program has received another 85 applications for review by the Executive Committee. This is also the last to be reviewed as the program deadline was December 31, 2022. She stated that with these 85 applications, a total of 860 will have been reviewed and approved.

Prior to the meeting, applications were reviewed by two staff members and when necessary addresses physically inspected by staff members for compliance. The completed applications met all program requirements and guidelines, all businesses applying are eligible according to Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation standards, applications displayed a proper use of funds, and are being recommended by staff for approval. They were additionally reviewed by the Executive Committee prior to the meeting and in closed session. Mr. Sicard moved to approve the 85 applications, seconded by Mr. Rohmeyer; motion carried.

8. **Any Other Business or Updates:** There was no other business.
9. **Next Executive Committee Meeting Date:** Monday, January 30, 2023 – WCWRPC Offices
10. **Next Commission Meeting Date:** FRIDAY, MARCH 10, 2022. Eau Claire Room, Banbury Place, Eau Claire

11. **Motion to Adjourn:** Mr. Rohmeyer moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Sicard; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 a.m.

Prepared by Lisa Ruth