

**Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting of the
West Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (WCWRPC)
Friday, March 11, 2022
Immediately following Full Commission Meeting
29 Pines Restaurant – Meeting Room Grand Valley One
5872 33rd Avenue, Eau Claire, WI
In-Person/Zoom Video or Dial-In Meeting**

Commissioners Present by Phone/Video: Louie Okey, Don Hauser, Joe Waichulis, Steve Rasmussen, John Frank, Tracy LaBlanc, Larry Weisenbeck

Commissioners Absent: None

Staff Present: Lynn Nelson, Lisa Ruth, Susan Badtke, Landon Profaizer

1. **Call to Order:** Chair Frank called the meeting to order at 11:56 a.m. Roll call taken.
2. **Review and Approve Executive Committee Minutes of February 10, 2022:** A motion was made by Mr. Rasmussen to approve the February 10, 2022 Executive Committee meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Mr. Weisenbeck; 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. Waichulis moved to go into closed session, seconded by Mr. Weisenbeck; 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. Okey moved to return the meeting to open session, seconded by Mr. Waichulis; motion carried.

Open Session

7. **Any Appropriate Motion/Action:** The Main Street Bounceback Program has received another 49 applications which were brought before the Executive Committee today for review and approval. However, two applications were pulled for further review, thus making the total of 47 applications for approval. Ms. Badtke noted that with these 47 applications, a total of 438 will have been reviewed for approval.

Prior to the meeting, applications were reviewed by two staff members and when necessary addresses were 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. Waichulis moved to approve the 47 applications, seconded by Ms. LaBlanc; motion carried.

8. **Report on Funding Set Aside Balance Relating to Sick Leave Inventory for WCWRPC Staff:** Executive Director Lynn Nelson noted that a policy was adopted in 2019 to calculate and set aside funds

for sick leave payouts and report the yearly amount to the Executive Committee. No action needs to be taken on this item.

9. **Any Other Business or Updates:** There was no other business.
10. **Next Executive Committee Meeting Date:** The next Executive Committee meeting will be April 14, 2022 in Eau Claire. Both options of Zoom or In-Person will be available.
11. **Next Commission Meeting Date:** Thursday, May 26, 2022. Location to be determined.
12. **Motion to Adjourn:** Mr. Waichulis moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Weisenbeck; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 12:21 p.m.

Prepared by Lisa Ruth