

Two Rivers Regional Council of Public Officials
Governing Board Meeting Agenda—5/14/2020
Quincy, IL office – 107 N. 3rd
6 pm to 7 pm

Call Board Meeting to Order- 6:01 p.m.

Welcome/Introductions –Becky Weed

Present-Board: Becky Weed, Steve DeMoss, Ryan Niekamp, Peggy Perry, Dave Bellis, Kevin Endbrook, John Birch, Jeanna Yingling, Chuck Bainer, Mark Sprague

Staff: Bob Gough, Jeremy Oshner, Becky Pruden, Charles Bell, Rachel Rabe

- Agenda Changes- none
- Approval of Minutes from special Board Meeting 03.18.20 and regular Board Meeting 4.9.20

Motion by John Birch, 2nd Chuck Bainer

Executive Director's Report – Bob Gough

- Lease Up, renegotiating
- COVID-19 and state level issues with IDES, does not anticipate buildings open until July, Plexiglas and other measures may be taken. Temp checks called cost-prohibitive, appointments may be needed in the long term, discussions on additional documentation may be needed and flexibility discussions to continue working from home
 - 25k in tech spent to allow work from home, including cell phones and laptops
- Rebuild IL, grant money on table for possible capital improvements- possibly Reachout
- Will be switching some accounts from BOS to Liberty bank
- Dave Bellis, 2nd John Birch
- Concerns were raised about changing bank relationships due to appearance of impropriety
- Other options for not incurring cell costs were discussed
- Lease options were discussed as well as other locations, but Workforce Dept. would need to remain in building

Agency Department Reports

- Financial Report --Rachel Rabe
 - Fiscal monitoring results back from DECEO Jan visit
 - Will work on corrective items including: Audit, inventory, fiscal procedures, and time allocations
- Community Action/REACHOUT – Becky Pruden
 - Staff has been very busy 3x in Pike and 2x in Brown, food pantry rec perfect score from health dept. Rachel has done a great job
 - DOT Still a huge help
 - Getting COVID grant, will be difficult to transition to working back from office, once relaxed rules have been put back into place
 - Able to offer rent and mortgage assistance
 - Medicine, car repairs and other emergency items will be able to be purchased under new grant
 - 16% admin
 - 2 new staff
- Weatherization (WX) – Jon Vrandenburg
 - Report in packet
- Workforce Development – Jeremy Oshner
 - Issues with being shut down
 - Most work unable to be completed, but will be paid regardless
 - SNAP, TANF, S2S grants submitted
 - Masks for staff were donated
 - Face shields and hand sanitizer have been ordered
 - New DHS grant we are pursuing \$435k+

- Potentially cover all workforce area and subcontract with Western IL Works
- Community Development (CD) /Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) –Charles Bell
 - Chad Frederick in office/ working from home
 - Working with EDA to get back in good graces so that we can apply for new years grant
- Need to work on including other 3 counties, but there are bylaw issues
 - Land bank grant- feasibility study is complete, looks feasible City of Quincy as over 1k properties that might qualify
- Would allow for improvements to many properties
- Will explore with other counties
- Could be self-sustaining within 2-3 years
 - Business loan program
- Adams County- 2 loans, City of Quincy has made 40, TRRC has made 4 \$10k each
- Pending loan application for Pike county
- TRRC has only allocated \$100k
 - One RLF loan pending but on hold due to COVID

Motion to approve all director reports: Ryan Niekamp, 2nd Dave Bellis

Old Business- none

Executive Session-Closed

- Entered Executive Session at 6:57 pm
- Exit Executive Session at 7:39 pm with motion from Dave Bellis and 2nd by Mark Sprague

Public Comment- none

Adjournment- at 7:40 pm with motion from Dave Bellis and 2nd by Mark Sprague