

**Grand Valley Metro Council
Executive Committee Meeting**

February 18, 2016
12:00 noon
Grand Valley Metro Council
678 Front Ave. NW, Suite 200
Grand Rapids, MI

Minutes

Present

Alex Arends
Rosallynn Bliss
Jim Buck
Mike DeVries
Brian Donovan
Don Hilton, Sr.
Alan Vanderberg
John Weiss

Alpine Township
City of Grand Rapids
Secretary
Grand Rapids Township
City of East Grand Rapids
Gaines Township
Ottawa County
Grand Valley Metro Council

Absent

Cy Moore
Daryl Delabbio

Treasurer
Kent County

Other

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Gayle McCrath
Jason Moore
Chris Brown

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1. Call to Order

Chair Al Vanderberg called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m.

2. Executive Committee Appointment

The group reviewed past practice in appointing Executive Committee members: balancing county, city, township ratio; geographic representation, etc.

MOTION - To Recommend to the GVMC Board the Appointment of Jack Poll of Wyoming to the Executive Committee. MOVE – DeVries. SUPPORT – Donovan. MOTION CARRIED.

3. At Large Appointment

The group reviewed the three candidates: Barb Holt (The Rapid), Charlie DeVries (ITC), Karen McCarthy (Consumers Energy).

Discussion regarding the need for a specific appointment for a representative from The Rapid. The Transportation Audit stated a representative from Transit is recommended, but not mandated. It was noted that many GVMC representatives currently sit on the Board of the Rapid, allowing for substantial representation. The Rapid already holds a position on the Policy Committee which has authority over most Transportation decisions. It was also noted that there are various transit entities, and creating a specific appointment for just The Rapid could be problematic.

MOTION – To Recommend to the GVMC Board the Appointment of Karen McCarthy and Charlie DeVries as At-Large Members. MOVE – Hilton. SUPPORT – Bliss. MOTION CARRIED.

4. Finance Report

Chris Brown reported the GVMC general fund is doing well. Environmental Programs is growing and REGIS is financially strong.

5. Single Source Project Report

John Weiss explained the Single Source Project. GVMC members are being asked to voluntarily supply their zoning and planning information to create a single combined source. Transportation data such as system condition and capacity, as well as environmental data will be layered in the system.

6. Other

Brian Donovan suggested a ½ day kick start facilitated session regarding further collaboration, getting things out on the table & finding projects suitable for the Metro Council to collaborate on.

7. Adjourn – 1:00 p.m.

MOTION – To Adjourn. MOVE – Arends. SUPPORT – Bliss. MOTION CARRIED.