

**Grand Valley Metro Council
Executive Committee Meeting**

September 15, 2016

11:00 a.m.

Grand Valley Metro Council
678 Front Ave. NW, Suite 200
Grand Rapids, MI

Minutes

Present

Alex Arends
Daryl Delabbio
Brian Donovan
Don Hilton, Sr.
Cy Moore
Jack Poll
Alan Vanderberg
John Weiss

Alpine Township
Kent County
City of East Grand Rapids
Gaines Township
Treasurer
City of Wyoming
Ottawa County
Grand Valley Metro Council

Absent

Rosalynn Bliss
Jim Buck
Mike DeVries

City of Grand Rapids
Secretary
Grand Rapids Township

Other

Abed Itani
Gayle McCrath
Jason Moore
Wendy Ogilvie
Chris Brown

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1. Call to Order

Chair Al Vanderberg called the meeting to order at 11:15 a.m.

2. Approval of Minutes

MOTION – To Approve the August 2016 Executive Committee Minutes. MOVE – Delabbio. SUPPORT – Arends. MOTION CARRIED.

- 3. Local Officials Training** – Numerous new local officials will take office in the GVMC area in November. Several organizations such as MTA & MML offer training. GVMC will organize its own training.

Al Vanderberg has a civics program template that will be used. Various Executive Committee members will utilize the template and present different sections. The Right Place and Experience Grand Rapids may be brought in also, but will not drive the discussion.

The date of the event will be the evening of November 17.

Daryl Delabbio and Al Vanderberg will forward candidate information on to GVMC.

4. Other

- **Finance** – GVMC is at the end of the financial year and is in good shape. MDOT has changed its billing methods and we are working through that.
- **REGIS** – Jason Moore updated the group on the REGIS migration project which is going very well. The goal is to be complete by the end of September.

REGIS is celebrating a milestone in that it has gone an entire year without any downtime, a first in its history.

The single source project is moving forward. Data has been received from all communities. Now we need to assign regional colors and codes.

- **Environmental Programs** – Environmental Programs is going well having submitted for 4 grants and receiving 3. LGROW will probably be the lead organization on the Grand River trail working with the upper and lower Grand organizations. Stormwater is moving forward and is in the comment period for DEQ. LGROW was featured in a front page MWEA article.
- **Transportation** – Data collection for the pavement management van is complete for the year. This is the earliest completion of data collection since the program was started. 3,500 miles of data was collected, with 1,600 of that federal aid in Kent and Ottawa counties. Additionally, various projects were undertaken within and outside of GVMC membership including: Rockwood, Allen Park, Wayland, Sparta Village, City of Grand Rapids, East Grand Rapids, Walker, and Grandville.

- **Dispatch Presentation**

Daryl Delabbio will present at the October Board Meeting on the Dispatch issue. It will be a high level overview with talking points. They are prohibited from advocating for the issue.

- **RPI – October 3rd Meeting** - The Regional Prosperity Initiative will hold a meeting on October 3, 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. About \$240,000 of grant funding will be determined for RPI projects. Everyone is encouraged to attend and vote on funding priorities.
- 10 Cents a Meal Update – Upon meeting with program organizers, GVMC decided to pass through the administrative portion of the grant funding to Region 2 which will handle the data collection and reporting portion of the 10 Cents a Meal program. Region 4 school districts will continue to participate.

5. Strategic Planning

Al Vanderberg reviewed the Strategic Planning results. The report will be presented to the GVMC Board at the next Board meeting. After Board consensus, the next phase of planning will take place.

6. Adjourn – 1:00 p.m.