

**Grand Valley Metro Council  
Executive Committee Meeting**

Thursday, September 18, 2008  
12:00 pm

Grand Valley Metro Council  
40 Pearl Street NW, Suite 410  
Grand Rapids, MI

**MEETING NOTES**

**Present**

Jim Buck  
Daryl Delabbio  
Don Hilton, Sr.  
Kurt Kimball  
Audrey Nevins  
Alan Vanderberg

City of Grandville  
Kent County  
Gaines Township  
City of Grand Rapids  
Byron Township  
Ottawa County

**Absent**

Jim Beelen  
Cy Moore  
Rick Root  
Rob VerHeulen

Allendale Township  
Council Treasurer  
City of Kentwood  
City of Walker

**Other**

Andy Bowman  
Leon Branderhorst  
Dharmesh Jain  
Gayle McCrath  
Don Stypula

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**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 12:10 pm by Chair Jim Buck.

**2. Approval of Minutes**

**MOTION – To Approve the August 2008 GVMC Executive Committee Minutes.  
MOVE – Delabbio. SUPPORT- Kimball. MOTION CARRIED.**

### **3. Report from the Nominating Committee on Officers for 2008-2009**

Kurt Kimball reported he gathered information from Board members regarding nominations for the 2008-2009 GVMC Officers. Rob VerHeulen indicated he would like to take a break from the Executive Committee and Jim Beelen cannot serve an additional term as he was not reelected as Supervisor for Allendale Township.

Upon reviewing the information, Kurt proposed the following candidates to the Nominating committee via e-mail. With no dissention from the Nominating committee, the following candidates are proposed for Officers:

Jim Buck, City of Grandville – Chair  
Don Hilton, Gaines Township – Vice Chair  
Cy Moore – Treasurer  
Kurt Kimball, Grand Rapids – Secretary  
Jim Miedema, Jamestown Township  
Al Vanderberg, Ottawa County  
Daryl Delabbio, Kent County  
Audrey Nevins, Byron Township  
Carol Sheets, Wyoming  
Rick Root, Kentwood

**MOTION – To Move the Proposed 2008-2009 GVMC Officers to the GVMC Board Meeting for Approval. MOVE – Kimball. SUPPORT – Vanderberg. MOTION CARRIED.**

### **4. Transportation – Amendments for the 2008-2011 TIP**

Abed Itani explained the request for amendments to the 2008-2011 TIP. Projects included in the amendment include:

- The Village of Sparta for an Enhancement project for construction of the Sparta Downtown Revitalization and Streetscape Project.
- MDOT – I-196 corridor to replace freeway lighting from M-45 to Monroe Ave.
- MDOT Service Development New Technology grant

**MOTION – To Approve the Request TIP Amendments and Forward it to the GVMC Board for Approval. MOVE – Hilton. SUPPORT – Nevins. MOTION CARRIED.**

## **5. Legislative**

Don Stypula reported there still was no MDOT budget. The Transportation funding task force continues to meet and narrow down options for increased funding. Don is optimistic they should be able to move this forward.

The Legislative Breakfast is December 12<sup>th</sup> at the Prince Conference Center.

The next Legislative Committee meeting is October 8<sup>th</sup>.

## **6. GVMC Planning Dept. Update on Activities**

Andy Bowman reported on the activities of the Land Use Planning department. He reviewed the information requested by Mick McGraw for regionalized information on parcel development. Andy indicated GVMC needed to be careful in a project such as this to use it to promote its missions and goals. GVC could supply information on developable parcels which fit within the Metropolitan Framework such as appropriate redevelopment and infill.

## **7. Request to Reschedule Time or Date of October Executive Committee Meeting**

Moving the October Executive Committee meeting to Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup> was proposed.

## **8. Adjournment—12:45 pm**