



October 18, 2013

Regional Prosperity Resolutions or Letters Needed By October 25th

The GVMC Board of Directors has endorsed our application on behalf of our region to administer the West Michigan Regional Prosperity Alliance Grant. We need your letter of support or resolution soon by October 25..

The Regional Prosperity Alliance is a new program to promote enhanced communication and collaboration between transportation, planning, economic development, higher education, adult education and workforce development on a regional basis. If you have any questions or need a sample letter or resolution, do not hesitate to contact us.

GVMC To File Collaborative Grant Application for Our LGROW Communities

In early December, GVMC will be submitting a grant application on behalf of the communities involved in our Lower Grand River Organization of Watersheds (LGROW) Stormwater Program.

Currently, 22 communities in our region are required by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to have a permit for discharging stormwater into waters of the state.

Since 2003, these communities have been working together to meet the requirements of these discharge permits. A new permit

will be required in 2016 and the members have been working together to prepare for the permit applications.

At our request, the MDEQ has confirmed that GVMC is eligible to apply for one grant that would cover all communities within our program. This grant will assist the communities in working together to develop their Stormwater Management Plans before the 2016 deadline.

This grant application is once again an example of how collaboration is working to benefit our region.

Progress Continues on New Members Ada Township and the Village of Sand Lake

Grand Valley Metro Council's by-laws and state law require that any new jurisdiction requesting to join the organization must be approved by the Board of Directors and the individual member units of governments.

The process requires us to secure approval of the change in our membership and that the governing body of each member approve the application for membership by the new members.

Currently, we are in the process of having each member approve a resolution of support for Ada and Sand Lake. We ask that your community do so as soon as possible.

GVMC Breakfast Meeting Honoring Mayor Jim Buck with Special Guest Senator Carl Levin



Monday November 4, 2013

L. William Seidman Center

\$20.00 Per Person

8:00-9:30 am

Seating will be open at 7:30 am

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