NORTH CENTRAL WISCONSIN REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes October 27, 2021

MEMBERS PRESENT

STAFF PRESENT

LORETTA BAUGHAN
ROCKY GILNER
AL HAGA, JR.
RON NYE
CRAIG McEWEN
PAUL MILLAN
JERRY NELSON
THOMAS RUDOLPH
JAY VERHULST

DENNIS LAWRENCE

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

OTHERS PRESENT

3.3 Current Financial Report

MR. LAWRENCE distributed copies of the current financial report. The report identifies \$1,811,000 in cash and deposits, and about \$127,000 in outstanding receivables, for a total of \$1,938,914. Payables total about \$59,000, which leaves a current financial position of \$1,880,314. At the last meeting, the financial position was \$1,809,651. MR. LAWRENCE stated that the organization continues to be in a strong financial position.

On the motion of MR. VERHULST, second by MR. HAGA, JR., the financial report was accepted. All were in favor.

3.4 Programs, Grants & Agreements Update

MR. LAWRENCE provided an overview of the report submitted. First, he discussed the EDA SPRINT grant and resolution for matching funds. Then he reviewed the Main Street Bounce Back grant program the NCWRPC is administering throughout the region. The NCWRPC received a \$2 million dollar grant from WEDC to assist businesses in the region.

Lastly, he reviewed two local agreements for comprehensive plans and the finalization of an agreement with Prime Focus to prepare a Freight Rail Study for western Wisconsin that the NCWRPC is coordinating and is funded by WisDOT and MNDOT.

3.5 Ayres Associates WROC Extension

MR. LAWRENCE provided an overview of the WROC. Over the last twenty years the NCWRPC has managed an airphoto program. First working with our ten counties and now nearly every county in the state every five years for leaf-off imagery. This data becomes the foundation of for the GIS mapping systems.

As part of that process, we select a consultant to fly the state, collect the digital images, refine and rectify the data, and disseminate to the counties and locals in our stateside partnership. In addition to our local and county partners we also secure funding from state and federal agencies to lower the cost to each partner. He referred the committee to the letter in the meeting packet, basically, instead of going through that process. We are looking to just extend the existing agreement with the current consultant. No other vendors usually apply, and none have the history or expertise to continue this program. This letter gives us the ability to extend the agreement 72 months.

On the motion of MR. NYE, second by MR. RUDOLPH, the extension was approved. All were in favor.

the organization. Combined, total Expenditures equal \$968,677, which is about a 19% increase over 2021. Most of that increase is the result of the new position, the upgrade of another position, and fringe related costs. A positive fund balance of about \$72,000 is projected for 2022. He did mention that projects are developed year round and additional revenues could be added.

On a motion by MR. NYE, second by MS. BAUGHMAN, the Annual Budget, as presented, was recommended by the Executive Committee for adoption by the Full Commission. Motion passed.

3.10 Announcements

MR. LAWRENCE stated that per diem paychecks for both the July and October meetings would be sent out in early December. He also stated that the next meeting would be January 26th, 2022.

4.) ADJOURNMENT

The chairman adjourned the meeting at 10:35 A.M.

The meeting was advertised and open to the public.

Minutes Approved on January 26, 2022: