

GENESEE-LAPEER-SHIAWASSEE REGION V PLANNING and DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
Tuesday, July 26, 2022 6:00 p.m.

MINUTES

The Genesee-Lapeer-Shiawassee Region V Planning and Development Commission met at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 26, 2022, in the Harris Auditorium of the Genesee County Administration Building, on the third floor, 1101 Beach Street, Flint, Michigan.

Chairperson VanHaften called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

I. INTRODUCTIONS

A. Roll Call

Present: Richard VanHaften, Gregory Brodeur, Derek Bradshaw, Shawnice Dorsey, Jeffrey Kelley, Alan Himelhoch, Destain Gingell, Ed Benning

Absent/Excused: Cathy Lane, Chris Cannon, Robert Johnson, Mike Hemmingsen, Gary Roy

Others Present: Sharon Gregory

B. Approval of the Minutes of the GLS Region V PDC Regular Meeting held May 24, 2022

Motion: Action: Approve, **Moved by** Alan Himelhoch, **Supported by** Jeffrey Kelley, to approve the minutes of the GLS Region V PDC regular meeting held May 24, 2022 as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.
(Documents on file in the GCMPC office)

C. Approval of the Agenda of GLS Region V PDC Meeting to be held July 26, 2022

Motion: Action: Motion to approve the agenda. **Moved by** Ed Benning, **Supported by** Alan Himelhoch, to approve the agenda of the GLS Region V PDC meeting to be held July 26, 2022.

Motion carried unanimously.
(Documents on file with minutes)

D. Opportunity for the Public to Address the GLS Region V PDC

No one spoke at this time.

E. Communications

There were no communications.

II. ACTION ITEMS

A. Financial Report

1. Checks

Mr. Bradshaw reviewed the checks for the committee. The checks totaled \$26,429.02.

Motion: Action: Approve the payment of the checks. **Moved by** Jeffrey Kelley, **Supported by** Ed Benning, to approve the checks in the amount of \$26,429.02 and authorize signing by the proper authorities.

Motion carried unanimously.

(Documents on file with minutes)

2. Year-to-Date 2022 Financials

Mr. Bradshaw reviewed the 2022 Financials for the committee, including the Revenue Budget Variance Report, the Statement of Expenditures, and the Balance Sheet, for the months of both May and June. Discussion ensued regarding the large amounts still showing for Asset Management and Regional Prosperity. Mr. Bradshaw indicated that staff has only recently started to charge to the Asset Management category, so those charges will show up soon. Mr. Bradshaw also indicated that the Regional Prosperity funding will carry over to the next fiscal year. MAR is continuing to deal with internal issues which has slowed down the program.

Motion: Action: Motion to approve. **Moved by** Gregory Brodeur, **Supported by** Alan Himelhoch, to approve the 2022 financials.

Motion carried unanimously.

(Documents on file with minutes)

3. FY 2022 Budget Adjustments

Mr. Bradshaw explained the requested budget adjustment that is to the Asset Management category. Due to Lapeer County and Shiawassee County opting out of the PASER program this summer, funds from the Service Contracts line item need to be moved. They are being moved to the Consultants line item.

Motion: Action: Motion to approve. **Moved by** Alan Himelhoch, **Supported by** Jeffrey Kelley, to approve the 2022 Budget Adjustments.

Motion carried unanimously.

(Documents on file with minutes)

B. 2022 Michigan Transportation Asset Management Conference

Ms. Gregory explained that the Michigan Transportation Asset Management Council (TAMC) is holding their 2022 conference in Traverse City, Michigan on Wednesday, September 28th at Great Wolf Lodge. An agenda had not been released yet, but a Save-the-Date card was provided. Attendance is mandatory for Asset Management grant recipients. Ms. Gregory stated that registration is \$65 and travel, food and lodging expenses are \$225. The total cost for one staff person to attend the conference is \$290.

Motion: Action: Motion to approve. **Moved by** Ed Benning, **Supported by** Alan Himelhoch, to approve one staff person attending the 2022 TAMC Conference for a total cost of \$290.

Motion carried unanimously.

(Documents on file with minutes)

III. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. MAR Update

Mr. Bradshaw indicated that there are grants to help communities with regional broadband, but there is not enough funding. There was a suggestion from staff that perhaps some of the Regional Prosperity funding could be used to help with the broadband effort. The demand for regional broadband is great, and the State of Michigan is looking at where the needs are. Mr. Bradshaw stated that there should be more information on this at the next meeting.

B. History Trail Network Update

Ms. Gregory stated that the History Trail Network website has been completed. It has a searchable database of historical markers and museums in all seven counties. It can display all items on the trail or it can break it down by community, subject, type of site (marker or museum), or visualize the items on an interactive map. The stand-alone search feature allows the user to just search by a keyword or term and display results across the entire region. The History Trail website can be accessed by going to <https://www.michiganhistorytrail.com> Ms. Gregory stated that a rack card has been created to help promote the History Trail website and create connections between sites on the trail. The cards include scannable QR (Quick Response) codes to take people directly to the History Trail pages. The EDC will send the rack cards to each EDC office for distribution to the local museums, visitors centers, etc. Ms. Gregory also indicated that here is a Facebook page for the History Trail where the EDC will maintain basic oversight and share pertinent information, historical videos, etc. That page can be found at <https://www.facebook.com/mihistorytrail/> Discussion ensued regarding website hit counters.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson VanHaaften adjourned the meeting at 6:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Gregory, Lead Planner
Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission