

NEFCO

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Regular Meeting of the General Policy Board

Wednesday, January 20, 2021

Video-conference meeting via Microsoft Teams:

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Conference ID: 707 951 368#

8:30 a.m.

Agenda

1. Call to Order
 - a. Determination of a Quorum
 - b. Approval of the Agenda for the January 20, 2021 NEFCO General Policy Board meeting
ACTION REQUESTED
 - c. Pledge of Allegiance
 - d. Audience Participation (members of the public)
Any individual or representative of a group may take three (3) minutes to address the General Policy Board on any topic on the agenda.
2. Consideration of the draft minutes of the regular meeting of the NEFCO General Policy Board on December 16, 2020 **ACTION REQUESTED**
3. Consideration of the Financial Status Report: Income and Expenditures through December 31, 2020 **ACTION REQUESTED**
 - a. December bank reconciliations
4. Adoption of the *Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) 2021 Annual Performance Report* **ACTION REQUESTED**
5. Appointment of CY2021 NEFCO Administrative and Functional Committees
ACTION REQUESTED
6. Consideration of NEFCO joining the Ohio Cooperative Purchasing Program
ACTION REQUESTED
7. NEFCO FY2021 Work Program
 - a. Environmental Planning
 - 1) 208 Plan Chapter 3 update – status of completion activities
 - a. Chapter 3 update text and Appendices submitted to Ohio EPA
 - b. NEFCO's 208 online map made available to Ohio EPA for its online NEO 208 map

- c. Memo sent to management agencies and local health departments to notify them that the update has been approved
 - d. News release sent to area media regarding approval of the update
 - 2) 208 Plan Chapter 3, Policy 3-6a/3-6b
 - a. Staff reviewing similar 208 policies of other Areawides
 - b. Staff revising this Policy by first developing certain criteria to use when one management agency (MA) challenges another MA for the right to provide sewer service
 - 3) Upcoming ERTAC speakers/topics
 - 4) Other
 - a. Ohio EPA DEFA's Final Water Pollution Control Loan Fund (WPCLF) Program Management Plan (PMP) for the 2021 program year is now available at this link: <https://epa.ohio.gov/defa/ofa#1696510029-wpclf>
- b. Economic Development Planning
 - 1) Economic Development Administration (EDA)
 - a. Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) 2021 Annual Performance Report due Jan. 31
 - b. FY2021 omnibus spending bill allocates \$346 million for EDA
 - 2) Economic Development Planning Information
 - a. Latest Ohio Department of Jobs and Family Services jobless claims
 - b. December unemployment remains at 6.7% (Bureau of Labor Statistics)
 - c. The US economy lost 140,000 jobs in December: all of them were held by women (NARC)
 - d. SBA and Treasury announce PPP re-opening, issue new guidance (NARC)
 - e. Ohio legislation would help airports partner with nearby businesses to attract service (*Repository*)
 - f. Bill to expand broadband in Ohio dies at Statehouse (*Dispatch*)
 - g. Heading into 2021, state and local budget gloom lingers (NARC)
 - h. LISC Rural Relief Small Business grants open Jan. 26-Feb. 2 (NADO)
 - i. U.S. Department of Labor YouthBuild grants due Feb. 9 (NARC)
 - j. Rural Community Development Initiative grant due March 22 (NARC)
 - k. Community Food Projects Competitive grant program applications due May 4 (NARC)
 - 3) Regional Economic Development News (see status report)
- 8. Federal and State legislation or information of importance to local governments
 - a. Federal
 - b. State
- 9. For the Good of the Order: an opportunity for members to share news about their community/county/agency, or to list an important issue affecting them
- 10. Other Business
 - a. Remembering Board Chairman Don Jenkins; Carl Rose (Stark County) an original Board member

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 is the date for the next meeting of the NEFCO General Policy Board; location and meeting method to be determined.