# NEFCO

# NORTHEAST OHIO FOUR COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION

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## **Regular Meeting of the General Policy Board**

Wednesday, October 20, 2021 City of Green Council Chambers (masks are required) 1755 Town Park Blvd. Uniontown, OH 44685 8:30 a.m.

### Agenda

### 1. Call to Order

- a. Determination of a Quorum
- b. Approval of the Agenda for the October 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.
- Consideration of the draft minutes of the regular meeting of the NEFCO General Policy Board on September 15, 2021 ACTION REQUESTED
- Consideration of the Financial Status Report: Income and Expenditures through September 30, 2021 ACTION REQUESTED
  - a. September bank reconciliations
- 4. City of Green requests a letter of support for its EDA Economic Adjustment Assistance grant application **ACTION REQUESTED**
- 5. MAGNET requests a letter of support for its EDA Build Back Better Regional Challenge grant application)
- 6. NEFCO FY2022 Work Program
  - a. Economic Development Planning
    - 1) Economic Development Administration (EDA)
      - a. New NEFCO website launched!
      - b. Current EDA funding opportunities
      - c. \$9.5 billion for EDA proposed in House budget reconciliation markup (NADO)
    - 2) Economic Development Planning Information
      - a. September unemployment rate decreases to 4.8 percent (Bureau of Labor Statistics)
      - b. U.S. EPA releases FY2022 guidelines for Brownfields Multipurpose, Assessment, Revolving Loan Fund, and Cleanup (MARC) Grants

- c. 2021 Heartland Federal Partners' grant writing virtual workshop series Oct. 26, 28 and Nov. 3
- 3) Regional Economic Development News (contained in status report)
- b. Environmental Planning
  - 1) NEFCO's submitted 208 Plan, Chapter 3 update; state certification; status
  - 2) Annual Areawides' 208 Plan state certification (for amendments and updates); timeline
  - Areawides/Ohio EPA collaborative project on sewered and unsewered areas data collection and mapping; status
  - 4) Canal Diversion Dam Removal Project; status
  - 5) Nimishillen Creek Watershed Partners annual Creek LEAP (Litter Elimination, Awareness, and Prevention) cleanup; September 18<sup>th</sup>; results
  - 6) Upcoming meeting and webinars
    - Akron Waterways Renewed! to host a rain garden kit giveaway for the citizens of Akron as part of Stormwater Awareness Week; October 23<sup>rd</sup>
    - Stark Soil and Water Conservation District to hold a workshop in person and via Zoom on *Stormwater and Severe Weather*; October 26<sup>th</sup>
    - Ohio EPA-DEFA webinar: "NPDES Permitting--New and Proposed Rules and Policies"; October 21<sup>st</sup>
  - 7) Letters of support provided to the Summit Soil and Water Conservation District for its Stormwater Wetland Revitalization project in New Franklin grant applications:
    - Dominion Energy Environmental Education and Stewardship grant
    - Dominion Energy Watershed mini-grant
- 7. Federal and State legislation or information of importance to local governments
  - a. Federal
  - b. State
- 8. 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
- 9. Other Business

**PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS:** Wednesday, November 17, 2021, is the date for the next meeting of the NEFCO General Policy Board at the City of Green Council Chambers, 1755 Town Park Blvd., Uniontown OH 44685.