

NEFCO

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Regular Meeting of the General Policy Board Wednesday, May 19, 2021

Video-conference meeting via Microsoft Teams:

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8:30 a.m.

Agenda

1. Call to Order
 - a. Determination of a Quorum
 - b. Approval of the Agenda for the May 19, 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 April 21, 2021 **ACTION REQUESTED**
3. Consideration of the Financial Status Report: Income and Expenditures through April 30, 2021
ACTION REQUESTED
 - a. April bank reconciliations
4. Consideration of the selection of Proud City as website consultant; authorization for the Executive Director to enter into a contract with Proud City for the redesign of the NEFCO website, including any additional options deemed important for NEFCO functions
ACTION REQUESTED
5. Cleveland State University Center for Economic Development requests letter of support for EDA University Center program grant application **ACTION REQUESTED (Two-thirds majority vote is needed for passage)**
6. Consideration of an Amendment to the Clean Water Plan for the Ravenna Facilities Planning Area (FPA) to change the wastewater treatment prescriptions at the parcel level in Rootstown Township, within the Portage County Water Resources Department's Jurisdiction
ACTION REQUESTED
7. Authorization to enter into contracts with the Ohio EPA for state and federally-funded water quality management planning, and for the Executive Director to sign for NEFCO
ACTION REQUESTED
8. Preliminary FY2022 Appropriations and Expenditures Budget: Report of the Budget and Work Program Committee; Draft FY2022 Work Program

9. NEFCO FY2021 Work Program
 - a. Environmental Planning
 - 1) 208 Plan Chapter 3, Policy 3-6a and 3-6b; status of draft revised Policy
 - a. Results of staff's discussions with some of the larger management agencies
 - b. Potential timeline for completion of final draft revised Policy
 - 2) Areawides/Ohio EPA collaborative sewer and unsewered areas mapping project
 - 3) Portage Lakes Management Study (PLMS) – Phase 5
 - a. Next PLMS partners virtual meeting rescheduled for May 27th
 - b. Draft Portage Lakes Management Plan undergoing PLMS partners/NEFCO staff internal review prior to ERTAC review and release for public comment
 - 4) Upcoming ERTAC speakers/topics
 - a. Dan Bogoevski, Ohio EPA-NEDO, Division of Surface Water, to give a presentation on *Storm Water Program Overview and Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) Permit Updates*; June 2nd
 - b. Richard Harrison, P.E., Executive Director of the Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission (ORSANCO), the water pollution control agency for the Ohio River and its tributaries, to present on ORSANCO's water quality programs; July 7th
 - 5) Other
 - b. Economic Development Planning
 - 1) Economic Development Administration (EDA)
 - a. NEFCO regional business survey results
 - b. ER&R planning subcommittees to meet May 11, 12, 14
 - c. NEFCO staff to recommend consultant for website redesign (see item no. 4)
 - d. NEFCO submits semi-annual Performance Progress Reports and Financial Reports for the Partnership Planning Grant (PPG) and CARES Act grants
 - e. FY2021 University Center Economic Development Program (UC) Competition applications due June 4
 - f. Current EDA funding opportunities and balances
 - g. American Rescue Plan Act includes \$3 billion for EDA (NADO)
 - h. Alejandra Castillo nominated as Assistant Secretary for Economic Development (NADO)
 - i. Ohio Association of Regional Councils (OARC) Broadband Working Group update
 - 2) Economic Development Planning Information
 - a. Summit Brownfields Coalition assessment grant application not selected for funding by USEPA
 - b. U.S. Treasury Department Guidance on Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund released (NADO)
 - c. April unemployment rises to 6.1 percent (Bureau of Labor Statistics)
 - d. 2020 Census apportionment results delivered to the President (U.S. Census)
 - e. Upcoming Webinar on 2021 RAISE grant program, formerly known as BUILD or TIGER Grants (NADO)
 - 3) Regional Economic Development News (contained in status report)
10. Federal and State legislation or information of importance to local governments
 - a. Federal
 - b. State
11. 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
12. Other Business
 - a. Rich Blasick, retiring at the end of May

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS: Wednesday, June 16, 2021 is the date for the next meeting of the NEFCO General Policy Board; location and meeting method to be determined.