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Regular Meeting of the General Policy Board

Wednesday, June 16, 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 June 16, 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 May 19, 2021 **ACTION REQUESTED**
3. Consideration of the Financial Status Report: Income and Expenditures through May 31, 2021
ACTION REQUESTED
 - a. May bank reconciliations
4. Consideration of the continuation of the part-time employment position for: Watershed Planner/Geographic Information System Specialist **ACTION REQUESTED**
5. Adoption of the FY2022 Appropriations and Expenditures Budget and Work Program; Recommendations of the Budget and Work Program Committee **ACTION REQUESTED**
6. NEFCO FY2021 Work Program
 - a. Environmental Planning
 - 1) 208 Plan Chapter 3, Policy 3-6a and 3-6b; status of draft revised Policy
 - a. Draft Policy distributed to ERTAC subcommittee on May 26th for its review; subcommittee's suggested revisions are due on June 17th
 - b. Progress report to be given to the ERTAC on the draft Policy at its meeting on July 7th
 - c. ERTAC subcommittee to consider endorsement of the draft Policy directly after the ERTAC meeting on July 7th
 - 2) Portage Lakes Management Study (PLMS) – Phase 5
 - a. Next PLMS partners virtual meeting scheduled for June 24th
 - b. PLMS – Phase 6 begins on July 1st

- 3) Next Quarterly Ohio Association of Regional Councils (OARC) water quality subcommittee meeting with Ohio EPA to be held on June 21st; topics include:
 - a. Areawides' FY2022 Water Quality Management contracts with Ohio EPA; status
 - b. Any potential impacts to Ohio EPA's divisions from the pending biennium budget
 - c. Status of state certification and US EPA approval of submitted 208 updates
 - d. HB175 (deregulation of ephemeral streams); update and impact to 401 Nationwide Permits
- 4) Upcoming ERTAC speakers/topics
 - a. 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) Upcoming Ohio EPA webinars
- b. Economic Development Planning
 - 1) Economic Development Administration (EDA)
 - a. NEFCO website redesign update
 - b. Current EDA funding opportunities and balances
 - c. American Rescue Plan Act includes \$3 billion for EDA (NADO)
 - d. President Biden's FY2022 budget request includes \$382.5 million for EDA (NADO)
 - 2) Economic Development Planning Information
 - a. May unemployment drops to 5.8 percent (Bureau of Labor Statistics)
 - b. National Center for Mobility Management Community Mobility Design Challenge 2021 grants due July 12 (NADO)
 - c. SBA's Navigator Program offering grants up to \$5 million for governments (NARC)
 - d. Choice Neighborhoods Planning Grants due July 13 (NARC)
 - e. Department of Commerce NTIA announces \$288 million in funding available to states to build broadband infrastructure (NADO)
 - f. Negotiations on an infrastructure legislation continue (NADO)
 - g. JobsOhio releases Q1 2021 Metrics Report
 - 3) Regional Economic Development News (contained in status report)
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, July 21, 2021 is the date for the next meeting of the NEFCO General Policy Board; location and meeting method to be determined.