

# NEFCO

## NORTHEAST OHIO FOUR COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION

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### Regular Meeting of the General Policy Board

**Wednesday, September 15, 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 September 15, 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 August 18, 2021 **ACTION REQUESTED**
3. Consideration of the Financial Status Report: Income and Expenditures through August 31, 2021  
**ACTION REQUESTED**
  - a. August bank reconciliations
4. City of Akron and the Bounce Innovation Hub request letter of support for EDA grant application  
**ACTION REQUESTED**
5. Greater Akron Chamber requests letter of support for EDA Build Back Better Regional Challenge grant application **ACTION REQUESTED**
6. NEFCO FY2022 Work Program
  - a. Environmental Planning
    - 1) 208 Plan Chapter 3, draft Policy 3-6a and 3-6b; tabled from August ERTAC meeting; status
    - 2) Areawides/Ohio EPA collaborative project on sewer and unsewered areas data collection and mapping; status
    - 3) Ohio Association of Regional Councils (OARC) water quality subcommittee quarterly meeting with Ohio EPA to be held virtually on September 20<sup>th</sup>; Ohio EPA topics to include:
      - a. Areawides/Ohio EPA collaborative project on sewer and unsewered areas data collection and mapping; update to Areawide directives

- b. Areawides' 208 Plan state certification; status of Director's signature
- c. Annual Areawides' 208 Plan state certification (for amendments and updates); timeline
- d. HB 168 – Ohio EPA funding; update
- e. HB 175 (deregulation of ephemeral streams); update
- f. TMDLs; update/discussion on those in progress or to be developed this fiscal year
- 4) SFY2021 NEFCO Water Quality Management Planning Completion Report is available upon request
- 5) ERTAC
  - a. Staff thanks the City of Canton for hosting the September 1<sup>st</sup> ERTAC meeting and for giving the ERTAC an informative tour of its water reclamation facility (WRF)
  - b. Friends of the Crooked River has been rescheduled to give an overview, status report, and final steps of the Canal Diversion Dam Removal Project at the October 6<sup>th</sup> ERTAC meeting
- 6) Nimishillen Creek Watershed Partners to hold its annual creek clean-up day on September 18<sup>th</sup>
- 7) Canal Diversion Dam Removal Project no cost time extension; status
- b. Economic Development Planning
  - 1) Economic Development Administration (EDA)
    - a. NEFCO holds Economic Recovery and Resiliency subcommittee meetings
    - b. Current EDA funding opportunities
  - 2) Economic Development Planning Information
    - a. August unemployment rate decreases to 5.2 percent (Bureau of Labor Statistics)
    - b. Ohio 2020 Census redistricting data to be available on data.census.gov on Sept. 16
    - c. Webinar on finding 2020 Census redistricting data on data.census.gov, Sept. 21
    - d. National Center for Mobility Management 2021 Ready-to-Launch grants due Oct. 15 (NADO)
    - e. Industry Sector Partnership grants available from the Governor's Office of Workforce Transformation
  - 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, October 20, 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 (availability pending)