

NEFCO

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Regular Meeting of the General Policy Board

Wednesday, June 15, 2022

City of Green

Council Chambers

(Masks are not 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 June 15, 2022 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 18, 2022 **ACTION REQUESTED**
3. Consideration of the Financial Status Report: Income and Expenditures through May 31, 2022
ACTION REQUESTED
 - a. May bank reconciliations
4. Adoption of the FY2023 Appropriations and Expenditures Budget, and Work Program; Recommendation of the Budget and Work Program Committee **ACTION REQUESTED**
5. Consideration of a preliminary NEFCO Disaster Policy – **WITHDRAWN**
6. NEFCO FY2022 Work Program
 - a. Economic Development Planning
 - 1) Economic Development Administration (EDA)
 - a. 2023-2028 CEDS planning update
 - b. Economic Recovery and Resiliency Planning update
 - c. Current EDA funding opportunities
 - 2) Economic Development Planning Information
 - a. May unemployment rate unchanged at 3.6 percent (Bureau of Labor Statistics)
 - b. HUD FY2022 Choice Neighborhoods Planning Grants due July 28th (NARC)
 - c. White House releases infrastructure technical assistance guide (NADO)
 - d. Local Infrastructure Hub to help communities navigate Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act resources (NADO)

- e. Ohio EPA brownfields grant-writing workshop July 27-28
 - f. NOACA, on behalf of Vibrant NEO, awarded \$1 million USEPA Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund grant
 - g. Summit County to embark on largest investment ever with broadband expansion
 - h. City of Barberton requests letter of support for OPWC grant application (see attached, draft letter of support)
 - i. Consideration of a letter of support for statewide passenger rail (see attached, draft letter of support)
- 3) Regional Economic Development News (contained in status report)
- b. Environmental Planning
- 1) FY2023 Water Quality Management Planning contracts with Ohio EPA; status
 - 2) Areawides/Ohio EPA collaborative sewer and unsewered areas data collection and mapping project; status of draft map of priority unsewered areas
 - 3) OARC water quality subcommittee June 27th meeting agenda to include Areawides' projects success stories, which staff will present on NEFCO's behalf
 - 4) Canal Diversion Dam Removal project
 - a. Friends of the Crooked River (FOCR) requests fourth extension of the project end date
7. Federal and State legislation or information of importance to local governments
- a. Federal
 - b. State
8. Compensation of a Public Employee
- Executive Session – Excuse guests and staff from meeting
 - ACTION REQUESTED when in public session**
 - a. Consideration of adding Extended Parental Leave provisions to Employee Manual
 - b. Consideration of a NEFCO employee to use Extended Parental Leave
 - c. Addition of Juneteenth to the list of observed holidays for NEFCO employees
 - d. Consideration of the continuation of the part-time employment position for: Watershed Planner/Geographic Information System Specialist
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

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS: Wednesday, July 20, 2022, is the date for the next meeting of the NEFCO General Policy Board; **City of Green Council Chambers**, 1755 Town Park Blvd., Uniontown OH 44685