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Regular Meeting of the General Policy Board

Wednesday, October 19, 2022 City of Green Community Hall at Central Park 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 19, 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 September 21, 2022 ACTION REQUESTED
- 3. Consideration of the Financial Status Report: Income and Expenditures through September 30, 2022 ACTION REQUESTED
 - a. September bank reconciliations
- 4. NEFCO FY2023 Work Program
 - a. Economic Development Planning
 - 1) Economic Development Administration (EDA)
 - a. 2023-2028 CEDS planning update; status
 - b. Economic Recovery and Resiliency (ER&R) Planning update; status
 - c. Recent EDA funding awards and opportunities
 - d. EDA and disaster recovery
 - 2) Economic Development Planning Information
 - a. September unemployment rate decrease to 3.5 percent (Bureau of Labor Statistics)
 - b. Choice Neighborhood Implementation Grants Program (NARC)
 - c. USDA ReConnect Program loans and grants due November 2, 2022 (NADO)
 - d. USDOT Thriving Communities Program letters of interest due Dec. 6, 2022 (NARC)
 - e. FY2023Guidelines for USEPA Brownfields Multipurpose, Assessment, Revolving Loan Fund, and Cleanup (MARC) grants released
 - f. What You Need to Know to be Competitive in the FY2023 EPA MARC Grant Competition Webinar October 20, 2022
 - 3) Regional Economic Development News (contained in status report)

- b. Environmental Planning
 - 1) Voluntary submittals of Clean Water Plan annual facilities plan updates; status
 - 2) Ohio EPA allows NEFCO to distribute map of priority unsewered areas, with disclaimer statement
 - 3) Canal Diversion Dam Removal Project; status
 - 4) Ohio EPA announcements:
 - a. <u>Clean Watersheds Needs Survey</u> responses from MAs and communities regarding their infrastructure needs are due to be submitted to Ohio EPA by October 28th
 - b. 2023 Final Drinking Water Assistance Fund (DWAF) Program Management Plan (PMP) approved by Ohio EPA, posted to its <u>website</u>
 - c. Ohio EPA finalizes and posts on its website the 2019 Sewer and Water Rate Survey
- 5. Federal and State legislation or information of importance to local governments
 - a. Federal
 - b. State
- 6. For the Good of the Order: an opportunity for members to share news about their community/county/agency/company, or to discuss an important issue affecting them
- 7. Other Business

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS: Wednesday, November 16, 2022, is the date for the next meeting of the NEFCO General Policy Board; City of Green Community Hall at Central Park, 1755 Town Park Blvd., Uniontown OH 44685