

Grants Committee Meeting

September 14, 2016

MINUTES

Members Present:

Rick Vernier, Vice Chairman
June Chartrand
Ken Sharkey
John West

Members Excused:

Joseph Kassly, Jr., Chairman
Oliver Hamilton, Sr.
Roy Mosley, Jr.

Staff Present:

Terry W. Beach, Executive Director
Jennifer Little, Administrative Assistant

In Chairman Kassly's absence, Vice Chairman Vernier called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. in the IGD Administrative Conference Room.

Attendees rose and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Vice Chairman Vernier asked if there were comments from the public on the agenda. There were no public comments.

Upon a motion by Mr. West, and a second by Mr. Sharkey, the minutes from the August 10, 2016 Grants Committee meeting were approved unanimously.

Upon a motion by Mrs. Chartrand, and a second by Mr. Sharkey, the letter from the Grants Committee Chairman to the County Board Chairman transmitting the payroll and expense claims for the month of August, 2016 was approved unanimously.

Upon a motion by Mr. Sharkey, and a second by Mrs. Chartrand, the Check Register Summaries for the pay periods in the month of August, 2016 were approved unanimously and placed on file.

There were no questions concerning the Community Services Group and the report was placed on file.

There were no questions concerning the Community Development Group and the report was placed on file.

There were no questions concerning the Workforce Development Group and the report was placed on file.

Upon a motion by Mr. West and a second by Mr. Sharkey, the Community Services, Community Development, and Workforce Development Group reports were approved unanimously and placed on file.

Resolutions

None

Old Business

None

New Business

A. Director's Report

- Terry Beach informed members the County held the Employee Appreciation Lunch today. County employees were treated to hotdogs and hamburgers, chips and popcorn, and ice cream.
- Mr. Beach stated LIHEAP started two weeks ago. This month appointments are reserved for households with seniors over 60 and disabled; in October, appointments will open to households with children under six; and November for any eligible household. Mr. Beach reminded members the PIPP program returned this year; the program will run until funding is exhausted or December 31st, whichever comes first. He feels the program will service approximately 6,400+ households this year.
- CDBG will be holding CAPER public hearings later this month. Two hearings will take place on September 28th; the first will be held in IGD's Administrative Conference Room at 2:00 p.m.; the second hearing will be held at the Mary Brown Center in East St. Louis at 4:30 p.m. The hearings will discuss projects IGD has completed with prior year CDBG funding. Mr. Beach added the City of East St. Louis has chosen to utilize their CDBG funds for much needed work on St. Louis Avenue from the edge of downtown to 29th Street; the project will be completed in two or three phases.
- Mr. Beach stated the Workforce Development Group will host their annual job fair tomorrow [August 15th] from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Information has been posted and shared on social media as well as the County website; fliers have also been posted in a number of locations. The job fair host alternates year-to-year between Madison County and St. Clair County as to who manages the fair and draws employers. Mr. Beach stated more than sixty employers, both public and private sector, from both Illinois and Missouri will be attending this year. Mr. Beach and Chairman Kern will be attending around 1:00 p.m. Mr. Beach invited members to attend if they are available. Mr. West asked if follow-ups are completed to see how many attending the job fair find employment. Mr. Beach responded yes; a follow-up is completed with the employers.

Upon a motion by Mr. West, and a second by Mrs. Chartrand, the Director's report was approved unanimously and placed on file.

Other Comments

None

Adjournment

Vice Chairman Vernier entertained a motion to adjourn. On a motion by Mrs. Chartrand, and a second by Mr. Sharkey, Vice Chairman Vernier adjourned the meeting at 5:36 p.m.