

MEETING MINUTES
Mid-Iowa Planning Alliance for Community Development
Executive Committee

2 pm Monday, September 16, 2024
420 Watson Powell Jr. Way, Suite 200
Des Moines, IA 50309

The Executive Committee (the “Board”) of the Mid-Iowa Planning Alliance for Community Development (“MIPA”) held a hybrid in-person/virtual meeting at 2pm September 16, 2024. Notice of the meeting, including a meeting agenda, was delivered to Executive Committee members in accordance with MIPA bylaws.

ATTENDANCE

MIPA Board Members Present:

Brenda Dryer, Chair
Glenn Lyons, Secretary/Treasurer
Craig Armstrong
Anthony Brown
Gerald Buydos
Aaron DeJong
Carla Eysink
Rachel Gocken
Margret Liston
Ryan Moffatt
Linda Murken
Luke Parris
Greg Piklapp
Steve Schainker
Wade Wagoner

Staff Present:

Andrew Collings
Lucas Young
Dawn Green
Caleb Knutson

MIPA Board Members Absent:

Jennifer Brown
Shawn Bryant
Jeff Davidson
Stacy LoVan
Rachel Wacker

1. Call to Order:

Chair Dryer called the meeting to order at 2:03 pm. A quorum was present.

2. Vote – Approval of the Agenda:

MOTION: A motion was made by Liston to approve the September 16, 2024 MIPA Executive Committee meeting agenda. Seconded by Armstrong.

MOTION CARRIED

3. Vote – Approval of Meeting Minutes:

MOTION: A motion was made by Murken to approve the September 16, 2024 MIPA Executive Committee meeting minutes. Seconded by Liston.

MOTION CARRIED

4. Report and Vote – Approval of Financials:

Report on the financial statements.

MOTION: A motion was made by Lyons to approve the financials as presented. Seconded by Gocken.

MOTION CARRIED

5. Report and Vote – Invoices and Contracts:

Collings reported on the proposed contracts with Dallas County Local Housing Trust Fund and Metro Home Improvement Program. Collings also discussed the invoice for Neighborly software. Discussion ensued.

MOTION: A motion was made by Lyons to approve the invoice for Neighborly software as presented. Seconded by Liston.

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION: A motion was made by Murken to approve the contracts as presented. Seconded by DeJong. Abstention by Moffatt.

MOTION CARRIED

6. Report and Vote – Digital Equity Broadband Grant Application:

Knutson & Collings reported on the progress of the Digital Equity Broadband Grant Application. The application combines the MIPA region, East Central Iowa Council of Governments (ECICOG), and a statewide initiative from the Rural Ideas Network. Discussion ensued.

MOTION: A motion was made by Liston to approve submission of the application and allow MIPA to serve as administrator if funded. Seconded by Lyons. Abstention by Schainker.

MOTION CARRIED

7. Report and Vote – MIPA Vice-Chair Position:

Collings reported on the recent departure of Charlie Dissell and the subsequent Vice-Chair vacancy. Discussion ensued.

MOTION: A motion was made by Armstrong to appoint Murken Vice-Chair. Seconded by Buydos.

MOTION CARRIED

8. Other Non-Action Items of Interest Business:

The Des Moines Area MPO, with assistance from MIPA and CIRTPA, lead the submittal of the Central Iowa Charging & Fueling Grant Application on September 11th

9. Adjournment:

Chair Dryer declared the meeting adjourned at 2:31.