

Region 2 PLANNING COMMISSION

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MEETING MINUTES

Region 2 Planning Commission – Full Commission
Jackson County Tower Bldg.
120 W. Michigan Ave.
Jackson, MI 49201

Thursday, July 11, 2024

I. **Call to Order** – Chair Witt called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. A quorum was present.

Attendance:

Adams	Gentner	Lance	✓ Shotwell
Andrews	Gould, J.	Linnabary	Sigers
Beach	Gould, L.	Miller	✓ Snell
Beecher	Grabert	✓ Minnick, Jr.	✓ Southworth
✓ Beeker	✓ Greene	Mitchell	Sutherland
Blythe	Greenleaf	Montrief	Swartzlander
Boggs	Griffin	Navarro	Teriaco
Bush	Gross	Nickel	Tillotson
✓ Bussell	Havican	Norman	Todd
Calender	Hawkins	✓ O'Dowd	✓ VanDoren
Collins	✓ Hawley	✓ Overton	VanWinkle
Cornish	Heath	✓ Penrose	Votzke
Cousino	✓ Herlein	Peters	✓ Walz
✓ Cure	✓ Jancek	✓ Pfeifer, C.	Webb
David	Johnson	✓ Pfeifer, R.	Weir
Dillon	Kastel	Pixley	Williams
✓ Donaldson	Keener	Planeta	Willis
Dow	Keller	Root	Wilson
✓ Duckham	Koehn	Saenz	✓ Witt
Everidge	Kuiper	✓ Scoville	
Gallagher	Lammers	Shaw	

Key: ✓ = present

Staff Present: Jacob Hurt, Jill Liogghio, Alissa Starling, Grace Trosin

Others Present: Brad Garmon, Michigan Office of Outdoor Recreation; Andrea Strach, MDOT

II. **Approval of the July 11, 2024 Agenda** – Mr. Hurt stated he would like to move agenda item #9 to follow item #4. The motion was made by Comm. Snell, supported by Comm. Jancek, to approve the July 11, 2024 agenda as amended. The motion carried unanimously.

- III. **Public Comment** – Chair Witt requested public comment. There was no public comment.
- IV. **Approval of Full Commission Meeting Minutes for May 9, 2024** – The motion was made by Comm. VanDoren, supported by Comm. Jancek, to approve the Full Commission meeting minutes of May 9, 2024 as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.
- V. **Southern Michigan Outdoors Economic Development Strategy Presentation** – Mr. Hurt gave a presentation on the Southern Michigan Outdoors Economic Development Strategy which is a new R2PC initiative originating from the 2021-2025 CEDS, adopted in December 2021.
- VI. **Receipt of Treasurer’s Reports of May 31 and June 24, 2024** – The motion was made by Comm. Jancek, supported by Comm. Penrose, to receive the May 31 and June, 2024 Treasurer’s Reports as presented. The motion carried unanimously.
- VII. **Approval of the May 31 and June 24, 2024 Submitted Bills** – The motion was made by Comm. Jancek, supported by Comm. Penrose, to approve payment of the May 31 and June 24, 2024 submitted bills. The motion carried unanimously.
- VIII. **Staff Progress Report for May and June 2024** – The May and June 2024 staff progress reports were included in the agenda packet. Mr. Hurt presented highlights from the staff progress report for the months of May and June.
- IX. **MPO/JACTS Update** – The MPO/JACTS Update was provided in the packet and Mr. Hurt provided highlights from that report.
- X. **Approval of Executive Director Travel to MAR Annual Meeting** – The motion was made by Comm. Penrose, supported by Comm. Jancek, to approve Executive Director travel to the MAR Annual Meeting. The motion carried unanimously.
- XI. **Other Business** – None.
- XII. **Public Comment / Commissioners’ Comments** – Comm. Shotwell requested quarterly reports from the Southern Michigan Outdoor Recreation Economic Development Strategy. Comm. Duckham agreed.
- XIII. **Adjournment** – There being no further business, Chair Witt adjourned the meeting at 2:34 p.m.

Dale Witt
Chair