

Minutes
Siouxland Interstate Metropolitan Planning Council (SIMPCO)
Board of Directors Meeting (#522)
Thursday, December 10, 2020, 12:00 p.m. (Noon)
SIMPCO, 1122 Pierce Street, Sioux City, Iowa

Voting Members Present:

Jon Winkel, <i>Chair</i>	Mayor	Sergeant Bluff, IA
Dan Moore, <i>Vice Chair</i>	Council Member	Sioux City, IA
Lesa Croyley, <i>Secretary</i>	Council Member	North Sioux City, SD
Craig Anderson	Supervisor	Plymouth County, IA
Ken Beaulieu	Board Member	Dakota Dunes CID, SD
Tammy Bramley	Supervisor	Monona County, IA
Kelly Kreber	Mayor	Hinton, IA
Wane Miller	Supervisor	Cherokee County, IA
Mark Monson	Planning & Zoning Commission	Sergeant Bluff, IA
Jesse Pedersden	Mayor	Lawton, IA
Keith Radig	Supervisor	Woodbury County, IA
Creston Schubert	Supervisor	Ida County, IA
Steve Warnstadt	Government Relations	WITCC, Sioux City, IA

Non-voting Members/Staff Present:

Lance Hedquist, <i>Treasurer</i>	City Administrator	South Sioux City, NE
Michelle Bostinelos	Executive Director	SIMPCO
Erin Berzina	Regional Planning Director	SIMPCO
Bill Cole	Finance Director	SIMPCO
Curt Miller	Facilities/Transit Manager	SIMPCO
Sharon Burton	Executive Assistant	SIMPCO

Chair Winkel read the following statement from the December 10, 2020 meeting agenda.

The members of the SIMPCO Board of Directors are holding this session by electronic means pursuant to the provisions of the Iowa Open Meetings Law, Section 21.8, Code of Iowa. An in-person meeting is not possible due to the Covid-19 declared pandemic and subsequent order to maintain social distancing when and where possible. The meeting is being held by conference call originating from the SIMPCO office at 1122 Pierce Street, Sioux City, Iowa. It is open to the public via conference call only. Those on the call can hear the proceedings. Public notice of the meeting has been issued in accordance with Iowa Code Section 21.4

Chair Jon Winkel called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. A quorum was present.

1. **AWARDS CEREMONY:** Executive Director Michelle Bostinelos recognized staff and presented awards to Siouxland leaders and member communities for their outstanding contributions, leadership and accomplishments during the past year.
2. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:** Chair Winkel asked if there were any additions or corrections to the December 10, 2020 regular meeting agenda.

Dan Moore moved to approve the December 10, 2020 regular meeting agenda as presented, seconded by Craig Anderson. Motion carried. [Unanimous]

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

a. Board of Directors Minutes, October 8, 2020: Chair Winkel asked if there were any additions or corrections to the regular meeting minutes.

Mark Monson moved to approve the regular meeting minutes of October 8, 2020 as presented, seconded by Ken Beaulieu. Motion carried.

4. DIRECTOR REPORT: Ms. Bostinelos highlighted projects currently underway and staff activities from the Director Report included in the meeting packet.

5. FINANCIAL UPDATE:

a. October 31, 2020 Financial Reports: Finance Director Bill Cole provided an overview of the financial reports included in the meeting packet. Revenues for all SIMPCO Divisions total \$841,717 and expenditures \$595,757 for a balance \$245,960 as of October 31, 2020. The Executive/Finance Committee has reviewed the reports and recommends approval as presented.

Dan Moore moved to accept the recommendation of the Executive/Finance Committee and approve the October 31, 2020 financial reports as presented, seconded by Tammy Bramley. Motion carried. [Unanimous]

b. Employee Health Insurance CY 2021 Renewal: Mr. Cole reported since there was a timing issue with the December Board of Directors meeting and deadline for binding calendar year 2021 coverages, renewal options were forwarded via email to Directors along with the recommendation of Staff and the Executive/Finance Committee. Questions or comments were asked to be returned prior to November 18, 2020. Responses received were positive and supported the recommendation to continue with the existing plan, Wellmark CompleteBlue 4000 PPO. Staff proceeded with binding the coverage and setting the open enrollment period. Discussed followed.

Mark Monson moved to accept the recommendation of Staff and the Executive/Finance Committee and continue with the current policy, Wellmark CompleteBlue 4000 PPO, through calendar year 2021, seconded by Ken Beaulieu. Motion carried. [Unanimous]

6. SET 2021 MEETING DATES: Ms. Bostinelos reviewed the tentative meeting schedule for calendar year 2021.

Dan Moore moved to approve the 2021 meeting dates as presented, seconded by Craig Anderson. Motion carried. [Unanimous]

7. CONTRACT: Ms. Bostinelos reviewed the contract presented for approval and reported the Executive/Finance Committee does recommend approval as presented.

a. Woodbury County to complete a Comprehensive Plan update, Total \$100,000, (CARES Act \$50,000/County \$50,000), July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2022

Mark Monson moved to accept the recommendation of the Executive/Finance Committee and approve the contract as presented, seconded by Dan Moore. Motion carried. [Unanimous]

8. OFFICER ELECTIONS – TERM JANUARY 2021 THROUGH DECEMBER 2021:

- a. Chair (Current officer is Jon Winkel, Mayor, Sergeant Bluff, Iowa)
- b. Vice Chair (Current officer is Dan Moore, Council Member, Sioux City, Iowa)
- c. Secretary (Current officer is Lesa Cropley, Council Member, North Sioux City, South Dakota)
- d. Treasurer (Current officer is Lance Hedquist, City Administrator, South Sioux City, Nebraska)

Chair Winkel reported the Executive/Finance Committee has nominated the current officers to continue serving for the term of January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021.

Tammy Bramley moved to approve the continuation of current officers for the term of January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021, seconded by Keith Radig. Motion carried. [Unanimous]

- 9. BUILD GRANT UPDATE:** *Transit Director Curt Miller reported the architect/engineering firm has been selected based on experience building transit system facilities around the State of Iowa. The contract has been negotiated and forwarded to an independent consultant for a fair pricing opinion. If concluded in time, the Siouxland Regional Transit System (SRTS) Board of Directors will hold a special meeting on December 17, 2020 to review and approve the proposed contract.*
- 10. OTHER COMMENTS:** The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 14, 2021 and will be held via Zoom. At this meeting, the FY 2020 Independent Audit will be presented for approval.
- 11. ADJOURNMENT:** *Dan Moore moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Jesse Pedersden Motion carried. [Unanimous] Chair Winkel adjourned the meeting at 1:32 p.m.*