

NODA BOARD & CEDS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

2901 N. Van Buren, Enid, OK 73703

1:00 pm Thursday, March 23, 2023

I. **CALL TO ORDER**-Marc Bolz (1:00 pm)

- A. Flag Salute
- B. Roll Call-Marci Hyde

Present

Marc Bolz	Noel Clonts	Travis Darr	Kelly Fanning (1:05pm)
Chris Henderson	Max Hess	Ashley Humphrey	Marci Hyde
Catherine Lantz	Dea Mandevill	Jeff Moss (1:08pm)	Howard Powell
Philip Schrahl	Brandon Schultz	Bill Seitter	Jason Shanks
Toby Walker			

Absent

Dixie Johnson	Gary May	Michael Roach	Tiffany Tillman
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- C. Introduction of Guests-Marc Bolz

None.

- D. Approval of Minutes.

Hyde made a motion to approve the minutes with a second from Walker. Voted Yes – Bolz, Clonts, Darr, Henderson, Hess, Humphrey, Hyde, Lantz, Mandevill, Powell, Schrahl, Schultz, Seitter, Shanks, and Walker. No – None. Motion carried.

II. **REPORTS**

- A. Hyde – As of 3/10/23 90 entities have paid NODA dues totaling \$99,849.10.
- B. The Board reviewed the following: from July 1, 2022 - Jan 31, 2023: Total Revenue \$1,419,514.62. Total Expense \$1,422,019.01. Giving a loss of \$2,504.39.
- C. Staff Reports – Emailed with the board packet. No additions at this time.

III. **BUSINESS** (To meet, discuss and possibly take action on the following items)

- A. Executive Director – Cecil Michael

1. Jonathon Cross is out of the office this week.
2. The ODOT nonpayment issues is starting to get resolved. ODOT has approved CST to submit the backlogged invoices for funds.
3. Purchased 4 new staff cars: 2 for CST and 2 for NODA.
4. City/Town Mayor seats are up for election in Alfalfa, Garfield, Kingfisher and Noble counties. After April elections, these ballots will be mailed out. Please keep an eye out for them and encourage everyone to vote.
5. Working to update all video conference equipment in Conference Room.
6. MPO update – Vicki Eggers shared that meetings are happening with North Enid and the City of Enid. This is for planning funds. NODA would like to run this program. ODOT would like the MPO designation to be done by July 1.

- B. Seitter made the motion to approve a resolution authorizing the filing of an application for the Section 5311 grant for CST. Seconded by Schrahl. Voted Yes – Bolz, Clonts, Darr, Fanning, Henderson, Hess, Humphrey, Hyde, Lantz, Mandevill, Moss, Powell, Schrahl, Schultz, Seitter, Shanks, and Walker. No – None. Motion carried.

- C. Hess made a motion with a second from Lantz to designate NODA Board Chairman, Marc Bolz, to be the contact person and signatory for the CST Section 5311 grant program. Voted Yes – Bolz, Clonts, Darr, Fanning, Henderson, Hess, Humphrey, Hyde, Lantz, Mandevill, Moss, Powell, Schrahl, Schultz, Seitter, Shanks, and Walker. No – None. Motion carried.
- D. Jennifer Firgard and Jessica Jantzen shared with the board the need to change the current REAP policy surrounding the use of REAP grant funds expended on Engineering only projects. Our current rural communities cannot afford to pay out of pocket the cost of engineering and design to make a project shovel ready for the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF). For the next 4 years, extra funding is in our state to fund more forgiveness loans in this program. Allowing for engineering only projects will allow these rural areas to use REAP funding to pay for the engineering and design work to get a permit to construct. This allows the community to then apply for the DWSRF forgiveness loan. This is a prime time to change this policy, as the amount of extra funding will not be here forever in the DWSRF program. The policy can be changed back when the extra funding in the forgiveness program is no longer available. The board discussed this and agreed to consider it. We will review it with a motion in more detail during the summer approval of the FY24 REAP plan.

IV. **NEW BUSINESS** (In accordance with Section 311 (9) O.S. Title 25.)

- A. Vicki Eggers shared with the Board a new grant that is available for EV charging and fueling. Grant is an 80/20 grant and due May 30, 2023. Contact Eggers for more detail if you are interested in this opportunity.
- B. Cecil Michael shared the new flyer for the OARC Legislative Priorities. He encouraged all to share this with city/town members and to contact their Senator/Representative for support in these changes.
- C. Marc Bolz informed the Board briefly about a 30 by 30 land grab the Biden Administration’s “America the Beautiful” Initiative. To find out more about it, Autry Vo-tech is holding a meeting on March 28, 2023 at 6PM.

V. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

- A. None.

- VI. Hyde made the motion to adjourn. Fanning made the second.
Adjourned at 1:34 PM.