

Amended Public Meeting Notice

Executive Committee of the West Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (WCWRPC) 10:00 a.m., Thursday, August 8, 2024

Banbury Place, 800 Wisconsin Street, Building D, 4th Floor, Suite 405 H
Eau Claire, Wisconsin 54703
(Down the Hall from the WCWRPC Offices)

Zoom option:

Telephone Dial In: 312-626-6799 Meeting ID: 876 2430 1153 Passcode: 231345

Amended Agenda

- 1. Call to Order Chair John Frank
- 2. Review and Approve Minutes of June 25, 2024, Executive Committee Meeting Frank
- 3. St. Croix County Housing Study Agreement Executive Director Scott Allen/Frank Background: On June 27, 2024, WCWRPC responded to St. Croix Economic Development Corporation's (EDC's) request for completion of a countywide housing study. As a result, St. Croix EDC is requesting assistance with preparation of the study, set to commence immediately. The study will be inclusive of all of St. Croix County in addition to housing snapshots for 21 communities within St. Croix County.
 - <u>Potential Action</u>: Review and approve agreement.
- 4. Approval of Agreement with the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) for a Rural Business Development Grant (RBDG) to Complete a Regional Outdoor Recreation Plan Allen/Frank

<u>Background</u>: Four counties within the WCWRPC region (Chippewa, Clark, Dunn, and Eau Claire) comprise the 7-county Northwest Community Network (NCN), created through the USDA's Rural Partners Network (RPN) in 2022. The RPN recommended that the NCN apply for RBDG funds to complete a regional outdoor recreation plan. The Executive Committee adopted a Resolution at the February 8, 2024, meeting authorizing WCWRPC staff to apply for said grant on behalf of the NCN. WCWRPC was informed of the grant award during the week of July 22, 2024, followed by a formal

press conference on July 30, 2024. Additional NCN partners on the project include Visit Eau Claire, Eau Claire County, the City of Altoona, and Mississippi River Regional Planning Commission.

<u>Potential Action</u>: Review and approve the agreement.

5. **Budget and Reserve Account Review** – Allen/Frank

<u>Background</u>: At the Commission meeting of July 11, 2024, it was recommended that the Executive Committee review the status (current and projected) of the budget reserve account, particularly in comparison to the 2024 budget (current and projected) and preliminary 2025 budget.

<u>Potential Action</u>: Review and provide feedback on the budget reserve account.

- **6. Motion to go into Closed Session -** Pursuant to the Provisions of Section 19.85(1)(c) of Wisconsin Statutes to "Consider Employment, Promotion, Compensation or Performance Evaluation Data of any Public Employee over Which the Governmental Body has Jurisdiction or Exercises Responsibility" and "Pursuant to the Provisions of Section 19.85(1) (e) and (g) of Wisconsin Statutes to review loan applications, negotiate the terms for investment of public funds, and confer with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved." Frank
- 7. **Roll Call Vote to be Taken -** Frank

Closed Session

8. Approval of Candidate for Senior Planner/Deputy Director Position – Allen/ Frank <u>Background</u>: Following direction from the Executive Committee at the meeting of June 13, 2024, the new position description was revised and an internal recruitment was posted on July 26, 2024, with a closing date of August 7, 2024. The top candidate for this recruitment is expected to be presented for approval.

<u>Potential Action</u>: Review and approve the presented employment candidate.

Open Session

- 9. **Any Appropriate Motion/Action –** Frank
- **10. Any Other Business or Updates** Allen/Frank
- **11. Next Commission Meeting Date** Thursday, September 12, 2024 Clark County Highway Department, Loyal, WI
- **12. Next Executive Committee Meeting Date** Thursday, October 10, 2024 Location TBD
- 13. Adjournment