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**Water Asset Management Council**  
Constitution Hall – Con Con Room, Atrium Level South  
Thursday, January 23, 2020  
9:30 am – 12:30 pm

## MINUTES

### Members Present:

Sue McCormick, Chair – via phone  
Scott House, Vice Chair  
Carrie Cox  
Jane Fitzpatrick  
Scott Noesen  
Evan Pratt  
Cameron Van Wyngarden  
Aaron Keatley  
Suzanne Pauley, non-voting member  
Randy Scott

### Support Staff Present:

Bob Schneider, EGLE

### I. Call to Order

Scott House, Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m. with a quorum established.

### II. Approval of December Meeting Minutes

**Motion:** Evan Pratt made a motion to approve the minutes as provided; Carrie Cox seconded the motion. The motion was approved by all members present.

### III. Approval of Agenda

One addition was made to the agenda with regards to the MML open house on March 24<sup>th</sup>, from 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm. Scott House and Randy Scott agreed to attend a table at that event.

**Motion:** Evan Pratt made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition; Cameron Van Wyngarden seconded the motion. The motion was approved by all members present.

### IV. Public Comment

No Comments were given.

## **V. Introduction of new WAMC Council member**

Randy Scott was introduced to the council.

## **VI. WAMC Review of Letter to Asset Owners**

**Motion:** Evan Pratt made a motion accept the letter as written with the minor adjustments made by Bob Schneider and Sue McCormick; Cameron Van Wyngarden seconded the motion. The motion was approved by all members present.

## **VII. WAMC Determination of Letter Transmittal Date to Asset Owners**

Bob Schneider provided an update on the WAMC Letter proposing a timeline of events. They agreed to send out the letter on the first week of April. Adjustments to the letter will be made if the links to the survey are not ready by that time.

Sue McCormick suggested having a sub-committee to discuss the best ways to reach the broadest area with the least number of events. Scott House, Cameron Van WynGarden, Carrie Cox, and Randy Scott offered to serve on the committee.

## **VIII. 5-10 Year Strategy Discussion**

Sue McCormick suggested having a Strategic Planning event on the February 27<sup>th</sup> meeting. Scott Noesen volunteered to facilitate this meeting.

Discussion will involve the “Ends, Ways, and Means” going forward.

## **IX. Funding Strategies**

Shall be further discussed after the 5-10 Year Strategic Meeting

## **X. MIC Update**

Amber Hicks, MIC Program Specialist, gave an update stating that MIC is planning to host an event for vendors to introduce the Asset Management Readiness Assessment Scale. The MIC Project Portal is scheduled to launch in the summer of 2020. There were 2 fall summits which were postponed and rescheduled during February and March. The next MIC council meeting is set for March.

## **XI. Closing Remarks**

Jane Fitzgerald mention the 12 focus group meetings she attended. She mentioned that no mention was made with regards to Infrastructure or Assent Management. She thought their maybe a disconnect between the two and if this is because the concept is too daunting.

Randy Scott agreed with Jane Fitzgerald and stated that other states appear to be waiting to see what Michigan is going to do.

## **XII. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.