

# **MUNICIPAL STABILITY BOARD**

**Wednesday, June 17, 2020  
11:00 a.m.**

**Virtual Public Meeting via Microsoft TEAMS**

## **APPROVED Meeting Minutes Revised July 6, 2020**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Eric Scorsone called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

### **ROLL CALL**

Members Present: Three

Eric Scorsone  
John Lamerato  
Barry Howard

Let the record show that three board members eligible to vote were present. A quorum was present.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made to approve the May 20, 2020 board meeting minutes by Barry Howard and supported by John Lamerato. The Board unanimously approved the May 20, 2020 meeting minutes. 3 Ayes and 0 Nays.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Nick Brousseau presented the Board with the Treasury update, which included an updated report on the Department of Treasury's communication and outreach and Executive Order 2020-75 regarding the temporary authorization of remote participation in public meetings and hearings which is set to expire on June 30, 2020. Barry Howard requested that a letter be sent to the Governor's office requesting an extension of the Executive Order 2020-75. Klein Allison with the Attorney General's office clarified that the current opinion of their office was that remote meetings are prohibited except through authorization in statute, or through extenuating circumstances. Eric Scorsone, Chair, will review sending a letter to send to the Governor's office.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE PUBLIC COMMENT**

Nick Brousseau reviewed with the Board the Local Government Assistance Public Comment. John Lamerato asked what was meant by accelerating the timeline of the best practices. Nick Brousseau replied that the original goal was to review this earlier which would have started last month, normally Treasury provides the update in late Summer. Rod Taylor recommended moving to page 19 in the Board packet to discuss Treasury's schedule recommendation moving forward. The Board agreed with this recommendation and Rod Taylor commented that Treasury reviewed the options the Municipal Stability Board has authority to change. The Municipal Stability Board's scope is generally limited to the approval and monitoring of Corrective Action Plans. Barry Howard asked if Treasury thinks the plan gives the Board enough flexibility because of unexpected potential changes. Nick Brousseau commented that Treasury did review the monitoring criteria and determined there was enough flexibility in the criteria to accommodate different situations. John Lamerato commented that MAPERS has had webinars in the last couple months (2 or so a month) on the current situation and wondered if there is a way to see if people are in MERS or MAPERS and make sure people are aware of the webinars. John Lamerato also inquired if Treasury can clarify if local governments are MERS or MAPERS members.

A motion was made to approve the Local Government Assistance Public Comment by John Lamerato and supported by Barry Howard and Eric Scorsone. The Board unanimously approved the Local Government Assistance Public Comment. 3 Ayes and 0 Nays.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE SCHEDULE AND TIMELINE**

Nick Brousseau reviewed the memo for the Local Government Assistance Schedule and Timeline with the Board.

A motion was made to approve the Local Government Assistance Schedule and Timeline by Barry Howard and supported by John Lamerato and Eric Scorsone.

The Board unanimously approved the Local Government Assistance Schedule and Timeline. 3 Ayes and 0 Nays.

### **CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN MONITORING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES: UPDATES AND REVIEW SCHEDULE**

Nick Brousseau reviewed with the Board the Corrective Action Plan Monitoring Policies and Procedures Updates and Review Schedule.

Barry Howard asked if it should say that the Board "may limit" rather than "will limit" – that way if additional reviews can be completed the Board may review more than 20 local governments. Nick Brousseau replied that Treasury can make that change before public comment. Nick Brousseau went over additional changes and said Treasury was requesting for approval from the Board to distribute this out for public comment.

A motion was made to approve the Corrective Action Plan Monitoring Policies and Procedures Updates and Review Schedule based on comments made by the Board by Barry Howard and supported by John Lamerato and Eric Scorsone.

The Board unanimously approved the Corrective Action Plan Monitoring Policies and Procedures Updates and Review Schedule for public comment, based on the Board's comments. 3 Ayes and 0 Nays.

**RECEIPT OF CORRECTIVE ACTION PLANS FROM 2 LOCAL GOVERNMENTS (2 PLANS)**

Nick Brousseau provided the Board with corrective action plans for the following 2 local governments (2 plans):

- City of Negaunee
- Roscommon County Road Commission

A motion was made to receive the corrective action plans by John Lamerato and supported by Barry Howard and Eric Scorsone. The Board unanimously approved receipt of corrective action plans for the City of Negaunee and Roscommon County Road Commission. 3 Ayes and 0 Nays.

**APPROVALS AND DISAPPROVALS OF CORRECTIVE ACTION PLANS FROM 4 LOCAL GOVERNMENTS (4 PLANS) (RESOLUTION 2020-6)**

Nick Brousseau was asked to review the Treasury recommendations for Approval and Disapproval of Corrective Action Plans (Resolution 2020-6) with the Board.

A motion was made to approve the Approvals and Disapprovals of Corrective Action Plans (Resolution 2020-6) by Barry Howard and supported by John Lamerato and Eric Scorsone for the following local governments:

- Dexter Area Fire Department (Approval)
- MBS International Airport Commission (Approval)
- City of St. Ignace (Approval)
- City of Vassar (Approval)

The Board unanimously approved the Approvals and Disapprovals of Corrective Action Plans (Resolution 2020-6). 3 Ayes and 0 Nays. Resolution 2020-6 was passed.

**CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN NONCOMPLIANCE (RESOLUTION 2020-7)**

Nick Brousseau reviewed with the Board the Corrective Action Plan Noncompliance (Resolution 2020-7).

A motion was made by Barry Howard to approve the Corrective Action Plan Noncompliance (Resolution 2020-7) and was supported by John Lamerato and Eric Scorsone for the following local government:

- Village of Kalkaska

The Board unanimously approved the Corrective Action Plan Noncompliance (Resolution 2020-7). 3 Ayes and 0 Nays. Resolution 2020-7 was passed.

**REMOVAL FROM CORRECTIVE ACTION PROCESS AND PURVIEW OF THE BOARD  
(RESOLUTION 2020-8)**

Nick Brousseau reviewed with the Board the Removal from Corrective Action Process and Purview of the Board (Resolution 2020-8).

A motion was made by Barry Howard to approve the Removal from Corrective Action Process and Purview of the Board (Resolution 2020-8) and was supported by John Lamerato and Eric Scorsone for the following local governments:

- Cass County Medical Care Facility
- Village of Homer
- Kingsford City Housing Commission
- Metamora Township
- City of Muskegon Heights
- Reed City Housing Commission
- Romeo District Library
- Shiawassee Council on Aging

The Board unanimously approved the Removal from Corrective Action Process and Purview of the Board (Resolution 2020-8). 3 Ayes and 0 Nays. Resolution 2020-8 was passed.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No Public Comment.

**BOARD COMMENT**

Eric Scorsone thanked Treasury staff for managing the process well and noted that the Board will send comments to the Governor about continuing electronic meetings, because the concerns about meeting in person are probably not unique to this Board.

**NEXT MEETING**

The next regular meeting will be on July 15, 2020 at 11:00 a.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made to adjourn by John Lamerato and supported by Barry Howard and Eric Scorsone.

The Board unanimously approved the motion to adjourn. The motion has passed with 3 Ayes and 0 Nays.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:52 a.m.