

Rural Maryland Council
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
Date: September 23, 2020
Time: 10:30 am to 12:30 pm
Location: Videoconference Call

Participants: Chris Benzing, Mike Thielke, John Hartline, Susan O'Neill, Greg Padgham, Scott Warner, Matt Tefteau, Lindsay Thompson, Charlotte Davis, Amanda Clevenger, Megan D'Arcy.

Welcome

John Hartline, Chair called the meeting to order at 10:33 am.

Financial Report

Charlotte Davis explained the purpose of the meeting was to determine how to administer the necessary cuts required by the Department of Budget and Management in the second quarter of FY2021 to retain \$400,000. The information on the MFRs and a updated on TCCWMD was provided.

Mike Thielke motioned to keep the Regional Councils whole and retain the full \$400,000 from the RMC Grant Programs. No one seconded the motion. The motion failed for lack of second.

Chris Benzing motioned to accept the cut of 6.655% across the board in two disbursements. If the \$400,000 is not fully funded, then Regionals Councils have priority and are made whole first, then grantees. Lindsay Thompson seconded. The motion was passed 7-1-0 to accept the 6.655% cut across the board in two disbursements.

Charlotte stated that staff will update the award spreadsheet to show the reduction over two and share with DBM for approval. Additionally, staff will inform the Grant Review Board of the Executive Committee's decision. Mr. Benzing and Ms. Thompson will present the plan at the September 25, 2020 Board Meeting.

Adjourn

John Hartline thanked everyone for participating in the special meeting. Chris Benzing motioned to adjourn the meeting at 12:00pm, Mike Thielke seconded. The motion was passed to adjourn the meeting.

Next Executive Committee Meeting: Wednesday, November 4, 2020 Location: Videoconference