

OMAHA-COUNCIL BLUFFS METROPOLITAN AREA PLANNING AGENCY

**COUNCIL OF OFFICIALS
REGULAR MEETING
June 14, 2023**

The June 14, 2023 Council of Officials Meeting was held at Northern Lights Venue 310 N. 14th Street, Fort Calhoun, NE 68023

MINUTES

- A. Welcome: Mayor Mitch Robinson, City of Fort Calhoun & County Supervisor Steve Dethlefs welcomed all council members and guests.
- B. Call to Order and Introductions – President Festersen called the meeting to order at 11:44 a.m.

Members Present:

David Black	Mayor, City of Papillion
Fred Conley	Board Member, Papio-Missouri River NRD
Steve Dethlefs	County Supervisor, Washington CO
Pete Festersen (President)	City Council President, City of Omaha
Allen Haldfield	Mayor, City of Treynor
Douglas Kindig	Mayor, City of La Vista
Mitch Robinson	Mayor, City of Fort Calhoun
Matthew Walsh	Mayor, City of Council Bluffs

Other Guests:

Brook Aken	Economic Development, OPPD
Kevin Anderson	Strategic Consultant, JEO
Cory Erspamer	Business Development Specialist, MUD
Brandon Garrett	Chief Staff, City of Council Bluffs
Marlene Knight	Client Relationship Manager, Lamp Ryneerson
Alicia Koziol	City Clerk, Fort Calhoun
Dustin Marvel	Government & Community Relations, OPPD
Derek Miller	Long Range Planner Manager, OPPD
Stephaine Mueller	VP Customer Experience, MUD
Jeff Ray	Senior Planner, JEO
Don Rowe	Omaha City Council Member, City of Omaha
Caleb Snyder	Senior Project Manager, Lamp Ryneerson
Mark Sturmsma	Deputy City Administrator, City of Papillion
Deb Sutherland	Administrator, City of Fort Calhoun
Julie Thacker	Director, Business Development, MUD
Andy Wicks	Associated Engineer, Olsson
Eric Williams	Natural Resources Planner, Papio-Missouri River NRD

MAPA Staff:

Grant Anderson	Natasha Barrett	Christina Brownell	Sue Cutsforth	Matt Eash
Isabelle Fleming	Charlie Harrington	Laura Heilman	Michael Helgerson	Saul Lopez
Carlos Morales	Connie Viner	Elizabeth Zeller		

- C. Approval of Meeting Minutes - (ACTION)

1. March 8, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Motion by Conley, Second by Walsh to approve March 8, 2023 meeting minutes.

D. Executive Director's Report - (Information)

Mr. Helgerson provided an update to the Council on MAPA's current and upcoming activities and projects including the Strategic Planning Overview, NIROC Aerial Photography, Valley Town Hall Meeting, Community Workshop & Events such as Regional Brownfields Workshop & Grant Writing Workshop, 5-2-1-0 Workshop-Council Bluffs & Urban & Community Forestry Webinars. 2023 ICOG Prometheus Award Winner Rafeal Corrales Orozco.

New Business - (Information)

1. FY 2024 Budget & Work Program - (Action).
 - a. FY 2024 Budget
 - b. FY 224 Final Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)
 - c. FY 2024 Community Development Work Program (CDWP)

Mr. Helgerson provided an overview to the Council of the FY 2024 work program priorities in the areas of Community & Economic Development, Regional Transportation Planning, Data Resources, and Regional Collaboration and Convening.

Motion by Kindig, Second by Conley to approve FY2024 Budget & Work Program.

2. Elections - (Action)
 - a. Council of Officials President
 - b. Council of Officials Vice President

Mr. Helgerson nominated Council President Pete Festerson and Vice President Carol Vinton to Serve on the MAPA Council in FY 2024. Motion by Kindig, Second by Black to approve the Council President and Vice President.

- c. Iowa Small Communities/Counties Representative of the Board
- d. Nebraska Small Communities/Counties Representative of the Board

Mr. Helgerson nominated Iowa Small Communities/Counties Representative Carol Vinton to Serve on the MAPA Board in FY 2024 & Nebraska Small Communities/Counties Representative Doug Kingid to serve on the MAPA Board in FY24. Motion by Robinson, Second by Conley to approve the Iowa & Nebraska Small Communities/Counties tp Server on the FY 2024 Board.

E. Presentations - (Information)

1. Powering the Future in Washington County & Beyond- OPPD Growth Plans - Presented by Brook Aken Director of Economic Development and External Relations at the Omaha Public Power District (OPPD)

F. Adjournment - President Festersen adjourned the meeting at 12:34 p.m.