

**MINUTES OF THE  
BI-STATE REGIONAL COMMISSION**

Wednesday, March 24, 2010, 3:30 p.m.  
Scott County Administration Building  
Sixth Floor Conference Room  
600 West Fourth Street  
Davenport, Iowa

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Freemire – Chair, Austin, Becker, Gary Brown, Dean, Fox, Gallin, Heninger, Henry, Lawrence, McDaniel, Meeker, Minard, Nicholson, O’Boyle, O’Brien, Pauley, Ripperger, Rockwell, Schoultz, Sunderbruch, Tank, Volz, Welvaert

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Bohnsack, Gluba, Goodwin, Gordon, Hillman, Malvik, Rangel, Sherwin, Stoermer, Thodos, Tossell, Washburn

**STAFF PRESENT:** Bulat, Connors, McCullough, Miller, Moritz

Chair Freemire called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. Chair Freemire presented Mayor Welvaert with a plaque and thanked him for his service to the Commission as Chair for the past two years.

1. Approval of the February 24, 2010 Minutes. Ms. Dean moved approval of the minutes of February 24, 2010 as presented. Mr. Minard seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.
2. Treasurer’s Report. Ms. Gallin presented the Treasurer’s Report for the month ending February 28, 2010, noting an ending total bank and book balance of \$610,057.95. Ms. Gallin moved the report be accepted as written and mailed. Mayor Welvaert seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.
3. Finance and Personnel Committee.
  - a. Bills. Ms. Connors presented the bills totaling \$23,694.53, as listed on the following bills listing and addendum dated March 24, 2010:

Bills List

Hurt, Norton & Associates, February legislative technical services (reimbursed by member government funds)	\$ 7,750.00
Paul D. Linnee, reimbursement for air ticket to attend meetings with county administrators April 1, 2010 regarding the TICP planning process	620.40
McClure Engineering Associates, Inc., East West Corridor Study	1,947.60
Quad City Press, HSTP Region 2 and RIM Rural Transit brochures	552.00
Thomas A. Skorepa, P.C., Administrative Hearing Officer services (cost reimbursed by MUNICES)	3,430.00

Addendum

Bancard Center, VISA charge card expenses related to software licenses;	2,134.45
“Open House” Whiteside County Public Transportation event; one staff attending the FTA Region VII FY 2010 Triennial Review Workshop; one staff attending the Understanding and Evaluating Internal Controls seminar; Chief Elected Officials & Administrators meeting (cost reimbursed by participants); Managers & Administrators Committee meeting (cost reimbursed by participants); webhosting; office supplies	
CDW Government, equipment supplies	588.52
GeoStats, maintenance agreement for software	1,000.00
Louise A. Kerr, Treasurer	5,671.56
04/10 Rent	\$4,165.96
04/10 Internet Access	88.00
02/10 Postage	761.62
1/10 Supplies	107.98
1/10 Printing	467.07
2/10 Cell Phone	80.93

Ms. Ripperger moved approval of the bills totaling \$23,694.53 as presented above.  
Ms. Henry seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

b. Report on Progress on Commission’s FY 2010 Program Budget as of February 28, 2010.

Ms. Connors explained the Program Budget Status Report was mailed in the agenda packet. The Commission is 66.7% through the fiscal year with 62.3% expended and within budget.

4. Commission Committee Assignments for 2010-2011. Chair Freemire presented the listing of the 2010-2011 committees distributed in the agenda packet. Mr. Nicholson moved to approve the Commission committee assignments as presented. Mr. Austin seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.
5. Consideration of the following Grant and Contracts. Ms. Bulat requested approval of the following contracts over \$7,500 that require Commission approval:

– Contract with the Economic Development Administration for a Planning grant. The grant is in the amount up to \$10,200 which will be matched with \$10,200 in local dues.

Mayor O’Brien moved the Bi-State Regional Commission approve the grant as described above. Ms. Dean seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

– Contract with Henry County for a Tactical Interoperable Communications Plan. The contract is in the amount of \$20,000 and covers the period no later than 07/30/10 – 04/30/11.

Mr. Schoultz moved the Bi-State Regional Commission approve the contract as described above. Ms. Gallin seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

- Contract with Illinois Association of Regional Councils for administration of a Department of Energy grant at an amount not to exceed \$50,000 for the period 03/24/10 – 09/30/12.

Ms. Henry moved the Bi-State Regional Commission approve the contract as described above. Mr. Minard seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

- Contract with Illinois Department of Transportation for Region 2 Human Services Transportation Program grant at an amount not to exceed \$136,492 for the period 04/16/10 – 04/15/13.

Mr. Nicholson moved the Bi-State Regional Commission approve the contract as described above. Mr. Volz seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

- Contract with Illinois Department of Transportation for Region 2 United We Ride Mobility Management Coordination grant at an amount not to exceed \$124,027 for the period 05/01/10 – 04/30/12.

Ms. Dean moved the Bi-State Regional Commission approve the contract as described above. Ms. Gallin seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

6. Report on Health Community Planning Activities in the Bi-State Region. Ms. Bulat reported the importance a healthy region. Health impacts all parts of a community, work, environment, education, agriculture, food production, water and sanitation, housing and health care. Health is 60% lifestyle, behavior, social, environmental and government impacts these factors.

Ms. Bulat explained that the key activities in our region are alternative transportation planning and coordination, land-use and environmental planning, participation in health initiatives, and coordination of topical issues.

Alternative transportation planning includes preparation of ordinances & grant writing for projects such as: sidewalks, multipurpose trails, Safe Routes to Schools, transit, rail, and complete streets guidelines.

In the area of land use and environmental planning, items included are: mixed-use development, zoning/subdivision regulations, recreation planning, and air quality/water/solid waste/planning.

Bi-State's participation in health initiatives and coordination of topical issues include Activate Quad Cities, the Quad City Health Initiative, the West Liberty Iowa Department of Public Health project, the Community Vitality Scan and Snapshot, and pandemic planning.

Future opportunities Bi-State is planning for are participation in the Alternative Transportation Week and looking at policies within the workplace that encourage wellness, like healthy snacks, exercise opportunities, and vending options. Also, Bi-State is considering policies within the community that encourage wellness, such as environmental

improvements and local food systems. We also look to understand and support public health needs.

7. Questions or Comments by Commissioners. There were no other questions or comments.
8. Other Business. There was no other business.
9. Adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis Pauley  
Secretary