

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

Wednesday, July 28, 2021, 3:30 p.m.
Rock Island County Office Building
Third Floor Board Room
1504 Third Avenue, Rock Island, IL

MEMBERS PRESENT: Breeden – Vice Chair, Beck, Brunk, Dawson, Dunn, Freeman, Kinzer, Lawrence, Matson, O’Boyle, Rayapati, Sauer, Stoermer, Thompson, Thoms, Waldron

MEMBERS ABSENT: Broderson, Deppe, Gallagher, Heninger, Holmes, Kendall, Lack, Maxwell, Mendenhall, G. Moore, R. Moore, Newton, Parker, Roethler, Saucedo, Schloemer, Sherwin

OTHERS PRESENT: Colonel Todd Allison, Garrison Commander, Rock Island Arsenal

STAFF PRESENT: Bulat, Grabowski, Miner, Newcomb

Vice Chair Breeden called the meeting to order at 3:33 p.m.

1. Approval of the June 23, 2021 Minutes. Mr. Stoermer moved to approve the minutes of the June 23, 2021 meeting as presented. Mr. Beck seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.
2. Treasurer’s Report. Mr. Brunk presented the Treasurer’s Report for the month ending June 30, 2021, noting an ending total bank and book balance of \$477,898.28. Mr. Stoermer moved the report be accepted as written and mailed. Mayor Dawson seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.
3. Finance and Personnel Committee.
 - a. Bills. Mayor O’Boyle presented the bills totaling \$202,853.92, as listed on the following bills listing:

Bills List

Illinois Association of Regional Councils, membership dues July 1, 2021 thru June 30, 2022	\$ 2,000.00
The Roosevelt Group LLC, June 2021 Legislative Technical Services (cost reimbursed by participating member governments)	20,000.00

Addendum

Blackhawk Bank & Trust, VISA charge card expenses related to Managers and Administrators meeting (cost reimbursed by participants); Bi-State Regional Commission 55th Anniversary expenses; 1 staff attending the National Association of Development Organizations (NADO) Board meeting; Photoshop and Creative Cloud licenses; 2 staff virtually attending the Advancing Equity in Aging; office supplies	2,732.64
Rock Island County Treasurer	5,826.28
08/2021 Rent	5,099.25
08/2021 Internet Access	88.00
07/2021 Managed Print Services	236.12
12/2020-02/2021 Overage	(191.76)

06/2021	Postage	568.64	
06/2021	Cell Phone	26.03	
Scott County Information Technology, phone usage and equipment from October 2020 thru June 30, 2021			2,295.00
Disbursement of funds for the following Bi-State Revolving Loan Fund Loan: Bass Street Moline, LLC			175,000.00

CORRECTIONS

On the July Bills List, The Roosevelt Group LLC for June services was listed as \$20,000, which should have been \$15,000.00. 15,000.00

Mayor O’Boyle moved approval of the bills totaling \$202,853.92 as presented above. Mr. Kinzer seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

- b. Report on Progress on Commission’s FY 2020-21 Program Budget as of June 30, 2021.
Mayor O’Boyle explained the Program Budget Status Report was sent prior to the meeting. The Commission is 100% through the fiscal year with 95.3% expended and within budget.
- c. Contracts/Grants for Consideration. Ms. Bulat presented the following grants/contracts for consideration.
 - Grant with U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for Healthy and Resilient Gulf 2021 – Trash Free Waters – Preventing More and Picking Up Less. The grant is not to exceed \$500,000 and will run for up to three years.
 - Grant with Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Office of Water Resources for Rock Island County for Flood Hazard Mitigation Project Administration. The grant is for up to \$18,000 and will run for up to two years.

Mayor O’Boyle moved approval of the grants/contracts as presented above. Mayor Matson seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

4. Status of Hazard Mitigation Planning in the Greater Bi-State Region. Ms. Miner and Mr. Newcomb presented on recent and underway multi-jurisdictional hazard mitigation planning efforts in the region. Muscatine County's plan was completed in 2020. Rock Island County's plan is open to public review until August 9, 2021 and will then be submitted to FEMA. Henry County's plan is in its early stages with the first planning committee meeting in August or September. Scott County's grant application for funding a plan update is currently under review by FEMA.

The presentation also included an overview of hazard mitigation and mitigation planning, an explanation of the planning process and requirements, a discussion of key hazards in the region, possible types of mitigation projects to reduce risk, and mitigation funding opportunities through FEMA made possible by adopting current updated mitigation plans.

FEMA mitigation funding opportunities covered in the presentation included the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP), Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC), and Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Program. Generally, the cost share for FEMA mitigation grants is 75% federal and 25% non-federal, but there are exceptions depending on the grant and circumstances. Jurisdictions can add proposed mitigation projects to the multi-jurisdictional mitigation plan during the update process to later be eligible for funding.

5. Questions or Comments by Commissioners. None
6. Other Business. Ms. Bulat informed Commissioners that the Census 2020 information will be available by August 16, but in legacy form that Bi-State staff can access for population information and Census tract shifts. A more user-friendly version will be released in September.
7. Adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'DB', is written above the typed name.

Diana Broderson
Secretary