

**Minutes of Meeting of  
Members of  
Mid-States Corridor Regional Development Authority**

May 3, 2024

**Call to Order**

Chairman Mark Schroeder called to order the meeting of the members of Mid-States Corridor Regional Development Authority ("**Mid-States**") at 4:01 P.M., EST, on May 3, 2024, at the Huntingburg Event Center, 110 East 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Huntingburg, Indiana 47542.

**Roll Call**

Chairman Mark Schroeder conducted a Roll Call.

	Mark A. Schroeder	Aye	in person
	Scott Blazey	Absent	
	David Drake	Aye	in person
	Sue Ellspermann	Aye	in person
	Ken Mulzer, Jr.	Absent	
Others present:	William J. Kaiser, Jr., Legal Counsel	Via Teleconference	

A quorum being present in person, the meeting was called to order by Mark Schroeder, Chairman.

Legal Counsel William J. Kaiser, Jr., noted that since all members who would be voting were present in person, the rules of approval would be changed in that a roll call vote would not be required with respect to actions being approved by the members.

**Public Attendees**

It was noted there were 7 members of the public in attendance.

To the extent a registration and sign-in sheet was made available for members of the public to sign, it is attached.

**Approval of Minutes**

The first order of business was the approval of the February 2, 2024 meeting minutes. A motion was introduced by Sue Ellspermann, and seconded by David Drake, and was approved unanimously by the members present.

**Financial Report**

Ms. Sue Ellspermann reported to the members of the Board that the Audit Report of LWG had been received by Mid-States and was an unqualified opinion. Ms. Ellspermann noted that Mid-States is operating in compliance with its financial obligations and that the LWG Audit Report had

been submitted by LWG to the State Board of Accounts. Ms. Ellspermann also noted that the State Board of Accounts had approved the audit performed by LWG.

It was noted that the LWG Audit Report will be posted at the Mid-States website, along with prior Audit Reports.

Ms. Ellspermann asked if there were any questions from the members regarding the LWG audit and there were none.

Ms. Ellspermann also made a review of the quarterly financial statements from BHP Tax & Accounting, Inc. Ms. Ellspermann reviewed the details of each of the financial reports.

The members then discussed the financial reports.

Ms. Ellspermann asked if there were any additional questions regarding the financial reports and there were none.

Following discussion, and upon motion made by David Drake, and seconded by Sue Ellspermann, the financial reports were unanimously approved by the members present.

### **Other Business**

Chairman Schroeder discussed with the Board the status of the Tier 2 Study.

Chairman Schroeder noted that the scoping discussions between INDOT and Lochmueller Group appear to be nearly complete.

Chairman Schroeder stated he had been informed that a Notice to Proceed would be expected in the next couple of months, which would allow Lochmueller Group to proceed and initiate the Tier 2 Study.

Ms. Ellspermann asked about the expected length of the Tier 2 Study. Chairman Schroeder noted that initial part of the Tier 2 Study would be about 2 years, which would then be followed by a public hearing, and a final year to complete the EIS. However, Chairman Schroeder noted that although it is expected to be a 3-year study, the Tier 1 Study was expected to take 3 years but ultimately took 5 years.

The members then discussed the expectations to the Tier 2 Study which will be focused on that part of the Mid-States Corridor located in Dubois County, Indiana.

Upon motion by David Drake, and seconded by Sue Ellspermann, the report on the status of the Tier 2 Study was unanimously approved by the members present.

Chairman Schroeder asked if there is any other business to be brought by any of the members regarding Mid-States. No other business was identified.

**Future Dates**

Chairman Schroeder then identified that future meeting dates of Mid-States, which were identified as follows:

- August 2, 2024 - Huntingburg Event Center
- November 1, 2024 - Huntingburg Event Center
- February 7, 2025 - Thyen-Clark Culture Center

**Adjournment**

A motion for adjournment was then made by Sue Ellspermann, and seconded by David Drake, and was unanimously approved by the members present.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:15 P.M.



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Sue Ellspermann, Secretary

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REGISTRATION FORM

MEETING DATE: May 3, 2024

1.	Mark Nowotarski	25.	
2.	Paul Heitz	26.	
3.	Carol Kelter	27.	
4.	Katrina Buse	28.	
5.	Carol Nowotarski	29.	
6.	<del>Paul Heitz</del>	30.	
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