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

November 1, 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 4:00 P.M., EST, on November 1, 2024, at the Huntingburg Event Center, 110 East 14th Street, Huntingburg, Indiana 47542.

Chairman Schroeder made opening remarks to the public attendees about the background and history of Mid-States.

Roll Call

Chairman Mark Schroeder conducted a Roll Call.

Mark A. Schroeder	Aye (In Person)
Scott Blazey	Aye (Remote)
David Drake	Aye (Remote)
Sue Ellspermann	Aye (Remote)
Ken Mulzer, Jr.	Aye (In Person)

Others present:

William J. Kaiser, Jr.,

Legal Counsel

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

Agenda

The agenda for the meeting was posted 48 hours prior to the meeting and a copy of the agenda was distributed to the members of the public attending. A copy of the agenda is attached.

Public Attendees

It was noted there were twenty-seven 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 August 2, 2024 minutes. A motion was introduced by Ken Mulzer, Jr., and seconded by Sue Ellspermann, and the following resolution was introduced:

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the August 2, 2024 minutes of Mid-States.

NOW, **THEREFORE**, **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the August 2, 2024 minutes are hereby approved.

Chairman Schroeder then requested a vote to adopt the above resolution.

Chairman Schroeder conducted roll call vote to adopt the above resolution.

Scott Blazey	Aye
David Drake	Aye
Sue Ellspermann	Aye
Ken Mulzer, Jr.	Aye
Mark A. Schroeder	Aye

Financial Report

Chairman Schroeder then opened discussions as to the financial matters for Mid-States.

Treasurer, Sue Ellspermann asked Chairman Schroeder to review the financial statements for the benefit of the Board of Directors.

Chairman Schroeder also provided the Board with a report of receipt and disbursements including items of income which involved the reimbursement of rent of \$500.00 and the receipt of interest of \$820.55.

Chairman Schroeder reminded the Board that Mid-States, at the request of INDOT, agreed to continue to pay the rent expense for the project office following completion of the Tier 1 Study in September 2024 up until the official initiation of the Tier 2 Study on the Dubois County section of independent utility. Since the Tier 2 Study Project was initiated as of July 1st, the Lochmueller Group reimbursed Mid-States for the July rent. Lochmueller has assumed direct payment of the rent for the project office going forward.

Chairman Schroeder also noted Mid-States, during the third quarter, paid Dentons \$9,174.00 for administrative and legal work during the months of June, July and August and there is an outstanding invoice for their September work in the amount of \$5,016.00.

Chairman Schroeder also noted that a regular quarterly payment was made to BHP for outside accounting services.

After discussion and upon a motion made by Ken Mulzer, Jr. and seconded by Scott Blazey, the following resolution was introduced:

RESOLVED, that the financial report prepared by Chairman Schroeder be accepted and approved.

Chairman Schroeder then requested a vote to adopt the above resolution.

Chairman Schroeder conducted roll call vote to adopt the above resolution.

Scott Blazey Aye
David Drake Aye
Sue Ellspermann Aye
Ken Mulzer, Jr. Aye
Mark A. Schroeder Aye

Status of Tier 2 EIS Study

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

Chairman Schroeder provided an overview of the project and responded to questions from the members of the Board.

Chairman Schroeder reported on his discussions with INDOT and Lochmueller Group.

Chairman Schroeder discussed that the project was divided into Segments of Independent Utility and the current Tier 2 Study was focused on Dubois County Segment of Independent Utility. Spencer County is a separate Segment of Independent Utility and the three (3) additional segments of Independent Utility exist within Martin/Daviess County.

Chairman Schroeder stated that only the Dubois County segment is being funded currently.

Chairman Schroeder also encouraged the members of the public who were in attendance to contact the Lochmueller Group or visit their office which is open to the public. Chairman Schroeder confirmed that the Lochmueller Group would be available to answer questions or review the project with the members of the public.

Chairman Schroeder noted that the Lochmueller Group is currently focused on the preparation of the Purpose and Need statement related to the Tier 2 EIS Study. The expected timeline for the Tier 2 EIS Study is three (3) years.

After discussion and upon motion made by Sue Ellsperman, and seconded by David Drake, the following resolution was introduced:

RESOLVED, that the report provided by Chairman Schroeder as to the status of the Tier 2 EIS Study be approved.

Chairman Schroeder then requested a vote to adopt the above resolution.

Chairman Schroeder conducted roll call vote to adopt the above resolution.

Scott Blazey AYE
David Drake AYE
Sue Ellspermann AYE
Ken Mulzer, Jr. AYE
Mark A. Schroeder AYE

Future Meeting Dates

Chairman Schroeder noted the future meeting dates for the RDA were set forth in the agenda

- Friday, February 7, 2025 4:00pm EST (Thyen-Clark Cultural Center)
- Friday, May 2, 2025 4:00pm EST (Huntingburg Event Center)
- Friday, August 1, 2025 4:00pm EST (Huntingburg Event Center)
- Friday, November 7, 2025 4:00pm EST (Huntingburg Event Center

Adjournment

Chairman Schroeder then asked for a motion to adjourn, upon motion made by Sue Ellsperman and seconded by Ken Mulzer, Jr., a motion to adjourn was approved.

Chairman Schroeder then requested a vote to adopt the motion.

Chairman Schroder conducted roll call vote to adopt the above motion.

Scott Blazey	Aye
David Drake	Aye
Sue Ellspermann	Aye
Ken Mulzer, Jr.	Aye
Mark A. Schroeder	Aye

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:24 P.M.

Sw Ellspermann
Sue Ellspermann, Secretary

Attachments

- Approved Minutes from prior meeting (August 2, 2024) (waiting for executed copy)
- Agenda
- Registration Form
- Financial Statements