

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

**August 6, 2021**

**Call to Order**

Chairman Mark Schroeder called to order the meeting of the members of Mid-States Corridor Regional Development Authority ("**Mid-States**") at 4:05 P.M., EST, on August 6, 2021, 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	<u>Present</u>
Scott Blazey	<u>Present</u>
David Drake	<u>Absent</u>
Sue Ellspermann	<u>Present</u>
Ken Mulzer, Jr.	<u>Present</u>

Others present: William J. Kaiser, Jr.,  
Legal Counsel

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

**Public Attendees**

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

To the extent a registration and sign in sheet is available and for the members of the public it is attached.

**Approval of Minutes**

The first order of business was the approval of the May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021 minutes. A motion was introduced by Ken Mulzer, and seconded by Scott Blazey, and the following resolution was introduced:

**WHEREAS**, the Board has reviewed the May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021 minutes of Mid-States.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021 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	<u>Yea</u>
David Drake	<u>Absent</u>
Sue Ellspermann	<u>Yea</u>
Ken Mulzer, Jr.	<u>Yea</u>
Mark A. Schroeder	<u>Yea</u>

### **Financial Report**

Chairman Schroeder then reported to the Board as to the financial matters for Mid-States.

Chairman Schroeder reported on the Second Quarter Financial Report from BHP Tax Service.

Chairman Schroeder further reported that the Dentons Bingham Greenebaum invoices were paid, and that there still is pending an additional invoice from Dentons Bingham Greenebaum.

Chairman Schroeder also reported that private donors have nearly completed the payment of their pledges in total, and the public donors have in fact completed all pledges.

After discussion and upon motion made by Sue Ellspermann, and seconded by Ken Mulzer, Jr., the following resolution was introduced:

**RESOLVED**, that the financial report presented 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	<u>Yea</u>
David Drake	<u>Absent</u>
Sue Ellspermann	<u>Yea</u>
Ken Mulzer, Jr.	<u>Yea</u>
Mark A. Schroeder	<u>Yea</u>

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

#### **Status of Tier I EIS Study**

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

Additional work in connection with the \$75 Million improvements to be integrated into the study is underway.

Both INDOT and Lochmueller Group have stated their expectation that the draft Tier I EIS Study will be completed prior to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021.

**Website Status**

Chairman Schroeder then inquired about the status of the website for Mid-States.

Mr. Kaiser reported the website is under construction and will be completed and ready for release before the next regular quarterly meeting.

Mr. Kaiser reported that the webmaster is uploading documents and arranging the website to make it easier to navigate.

Mr. Kaiser stated that as soon as the website is completed a link to the website will be provided to all members before bearing release to the public.

**READI Grant Program**

Chairman Schroeder reported on the READI Grant Program being run by the IEDC potentially granting up to \$500 Million dollars to different economic development groups vying for the money throughout the state of Indiana.

Chairman Schroeder noted Mid-States decided not to participate as an RDA in the program based on direction of the local officials. Local officials further decided that Dubois County would participate in the READI program as a member of the ROI / Uplands Group. Other counties including Spencer County has chosen to join with other groups in pursuing the READI funding opportunity.

**First Lease Amendment for VUJC Office Lease**

Chairman Schroeder then discussed the need for an lease amendment for the extension of the office lease. Mid-States has requested that Vincennes University allow a two year renewal to be revised into two one year renewals with the RDA exercising it's first one year renewal now for the next year and the right to extend again for one year if needed. This need to break up the renewal is due to the extended study time for the draft EIS due to the COVID-19 interruption.

After discussion and upon motion made by Sue Ellspermann, and seconded by Ken Mulzer, Jr., the following resolution was introduced:

**RESOLVED**, that the First Lease Amendment for the VUJC office be amended as proposed to divide the two year renewal term into two one year renewal terms presented by Chairman Schroeder be accepted and approved.

Chairman Schroeder then requested a vote to approve the First Lease Amendment.

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

Scott Blazey	<u>Yea</u>
David Drake	<u>Absent</u>
Sue Ellspermann	<u>Yea</u>
Ken Mulzer, Jr.	<u>Yea</u>
Mark A. Schroeder	<u>Yea</u>

**Future Meeting Dates**

Chairman Schroeder reminded the Board that the next quarterly meeting of Mid-States is November 5, 2021.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:45 P.M.



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Sue Ellspermann, Secretary

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