

**SOUTHERN GEORGIA REGIONAL COMMISSION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

MINUTES

Via Conference Call

June 24, 2020

11:00 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME: Immediately following the adjournment of the Nomination Committee meeting, Chair Joyce Evans called the Executive Committee meeting to order and welcomed members, staff and guests.

Members in Attendance:

Bennett, Neal
Duke, Buddy
Evans, Joyce
Gowen, Lee
Thompson, Grady
Seale, Matt

Staff Present:

Cribb, Lisa
Schultz, Kelly
Strom, Chris
Strom, Rachel

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MAY 28, 2020 EXECUTIVE

COMMITTEE MEETING: Chair Evans called the meeting to order and then reminded those present that the minutes of the May 28, 2020 Executive Committee meeting were emailed to members for their review (copy attached and made a part of these minutes). Grady Thompson made a motion to accept the minutes, and Neal Bennett seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION OF SOUTHERN GEORGIA RC FY2021

BUDGET: Chair Evans called upon RC Finance Director Kelly Schultz to make this presentation to the committee. Ms. Schultz referred those present to the proposed FY2021 budget document included in their member packets (copy attached and made part of these minutes). She explained this document begins with a comparison between the FY2020 budget and the proposed FY2021 budget. She reminded committee members of her presentation at the May 2020 committee meeting in which she explained that the proposed FY2021 budget will be different from in the past due to COVID-19 restrictions and considerations. She stated that these anticipated efforts were included in the proposed budget before them. She continued with an overview of the changes in revenue in the proposed FY2021 budget. Ms. Schultz pointed out that there are some revenue increases, mainly based on expected CARES Act funding. Some of the funds will be through EDA for economic development efforts, and for the revolving loan fund to lend throughout the region. Also, there is a significant amount expected from CARES Act funding through the Department of Human Services for Aging program services. Workforce Development is expecting to receive additional federal funding, but this is not reflected in the attached proposed budget. There was uncertainty about the funding and the amount at the time the proposed budget was prepared; when the funding is confirmed, the amount will be presented in an amended budget. Other changes in revenues are reflected in a decrease in DNR contracts. Since DNR contracts from the 319 grant ended last fiscal year, the proposed budget reflects a decrease in the New River DNR contract due to the

majority of the BMPs being completed in FY2020. The budget also reflects a corresponding decrease in contractor expenditures and in kind to go with the decrease in revenue. Pass through funding for contracts to service providers shows an increase due to CARES Act funding.

Ms. Schultz continued with an overview of the changes in the expenditures. She stated that SGRC had received a notice from GMA about an increase in the monthly retirement payment and that is reflected in the budget. She stated there are also some unknowns to account for in the expenditures. The utilities costs are a guestimate as it is unknown what the costs will actually be, as the Valdosta office moves into the new building later this year. With no other questions, Grady Thompson made a motion to recommend presentation of the proposed FY2021 budget to the SGRC Council for approval. Matt Seale seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION OF SOUTHERN GEORGIA RC FY2021 WORK PROGRAM: Chair Evans called upon SGRC Executive Director Lisa Cribb to review the FY2021 Work Program. Ms. Cribb reminded the committee that they had received the draft of the work program to review at the May meeting. She then directed members to the finalized work program in their meeting packets (copy attached and made part of these minutes) noting that no changes had been suggested or made to the document. Matt Seale made a motion to recommend presentation of the Southern Georgia RC FY2021 Work Program to the SGRC Council for approval. Grady Thompson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURN: With there being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.



Joyce Evans, Chair



Matt Seale, Secretary