



Next Michigan Development Corporation

I-69 INTERNATIONAL TRADE CORRIDOR, NEXT MICHIGAN DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
Regular Meeting

June 13, 2023 - 9:00 a.m.

Bishop International Airport, G-3425 West Bristol Rd., Flint, MI

1. **Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order at 9:09 am by Chairperson Joe Sawyer
2. **Roll Call** – Board members present-

Genesee County

Duane Haskins, City of Burton
Tracey Tucker, Flint Township
Samantha Fountain, Mundy Township

Lapeer County

Craig Horton, Imlay City
Sam Moore, Lapeer Development Corporation
Kelly Martin, Village of North Branch
Kevin Knisely, Lapeer County

Shiawassee County

Justin Horvath, Shiawassee Economic Development Partnership
Danny Miller, Owosso Charter Township
Troy Parmalee, Perry Township
Joe Sawyer, City of Corunna
Robert Peterson, Village of Morrice

St. Clair County

Bruce Seymore, City of Port Huron
Jorja Baldwin, St. Clair County
Mike Booth, City of Marysville
Quentin Bishop, City of St Clair

Guests present:

Kevin Kilby – Attorney McGraw Morris P.C.
Randy Meder – VMD LLC

Administrative Staff present-

Sally Warren, Shiawassee Economic Development Partnership

3. **Public Comment** – None
4. **Approval of Agenda** – M/T Tucker, S/D Miller to approve the Consent Agenda. No discussion, All ayes, motion carried.
5. **Consent Agenda** – M/K Martin, S/J Baldwin to approve the Consent Agenda. No discussion, All ayes, motion carried.
 - a. Approval of Meeting Minutes
 - i. April 2023

- b. Treasurer's Report
 - i. April & May 2023 Financials

6. **Presentation**

- a. 2022 Audit Review – Randy Meder, VMD and Associates covered how the NMDC and LDFA work together. General funds are from the NMDC and LDFA are recognized as special funds (restricted). R Meder review the Management Letter, I-69 Audit Report 2022, and I-69 SAS 114 2022. The spend down for 2022 can be viewed on page 11 & 12 on the Audit. The year end 2022 is \$69,607 and \$45,950 restricted funds. R Meder covered what they are auditing. The Management letter states their opinion is a clean audit for 2022. They are giving a standard audit comment, no additional comments to communicate to management. Meder commented on the 2 issues stated in the I-69 Management Letter. Meeting minutes referred to Dewitt & Lansing wanting to join I-69 Trade Corridor, nothing followed through with this directive in the minutes of NMDC. Governance needs internal controls put in place to address this in the future. M/M Booth, S/J Horvath moved to accept the 2022 Audit as presented. All ayes passed.

7. **Action Items**

- a. **Approval of Vendor Payments** - M/T Parmalee, S/J Baldwin to accept vendor payments as presented. Roll call vote: Yays: D Haskins, T Tucker, S Fountain, C Horton, K Martin, K Knisely, J Sawyer, D Miller, T Parmalee, J Horvath, R Peterson, M Booth, B Seymore, Q Bishop, J Baldwin. Nays: None. Motion passed.

8. **Discussion Items**

- a. **Possible New Members** – Sawyer asked what process for accepting new members. K Kilby explained the process that the new member would have to pay \$5,000 and they would adopt a resolution to join I-69 Trade Corridor and present it to the board.
 - i. City of Swartz Creek – Sam Fountain talked to Adam Zettle of Swartz Creek. They are looking for information on I-69 Trade Corridor, what they do, represent. Swartz Creek has two exits on the i-69 Corridor. J Sawyer will contact Adam Zettle.
 - ii. Lansing/DeWitt Township - J Horvath reached out to Nicole Williams at the Lansing Airport with no response. They would be treated as new county joining paying a one-time fee of \$5000 and then \$10,000 per year thereafter. J Horvath will reach out to Nicole Williams again to follow up.
- b. **Updated Conflict of Interest Forms** – S Warren passed out Conflict of Interest form to be filled out and returned. They will be emailed to those not present.

9. **ED Partner Updates** were given by J Horvath, S Moore, and B Seymour.

10. **Board Member Comments** were given. Other

11. **Adjourn** - 10:23 am