



Region 2000 Services Authority

Location

Electronic Meeting - GoToMeeting

Date | Time

January 8, 2021

2:00 p.m.

Minutes

Board Members Present

Susan Adams.....Appomattox County
Steve Carter Nelson County
Frank Rogers..... Campbell County
Reid Wodicka.....City of Lynchburg

1. Welcome

Frank Rogers, Chair, welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

2. Consideration of hiring an attorney to respond to Excess Revenue litigation on behalf of the Authority

The lawsuit by Campbell County and the City of Lynchburg has been served on the Authority. Jeremy Carroll, who has served as the attorney for another case is willing to represent the Authority for this case as well at a rate of \$200 per hour.

Reid Wodicka thanked the members of the Authority for their attendance at the meeting and noted the difficulty in the members of the Authority finding a resolution regarding the Excess Revenue. Because of this, he recommended that the Authority not advocate for any particular legal strategy by any attorney appointed to represent the Authority.

Reid Wodicka made a motion, seconded by Frank Rogers, to authorize the retainer of Jeremy Carroll to represent the Authority in a lawsuit, now pending in the Campbell County Circuit Court, and further authorize Jeremy Carroll to file an answer representing only that the Authority ask the Court to take no action to the prejudice of the Authority. Aside from the foregoing, Jeremy Carroll is not authorized to represent or further any position in court without the subsequent affirmative vote by the Authority’s board.

The motion was unanimously approved.

3. Consideration of a \$1,400 bonus for Services Authority Employees

Staff are recommending the use of \$26,600 to provide a \$1,400 bonus for the nineteen full-time employees. This bonus is recommended in light of the good work conducted by Authority employees during the pandemic. All employees have stayed healthy and the Authority has never had to shut down operations in the past year. Tonnage continues to exceed last year's rates every month and the funds needed for this bonus have been accounted for in Schedule 2's contingency account line. Staff did not receive raises in July 2020 and this would be an opportunity to match many of the localities' efforts to provide raises or bonuses in the past several months.

Frank Rogers made a motion, seconded by Reid Wodicka, to approve the bonus as proposed.

Susan Adams made a substitute motion to approve a \$1,000 bonus for Authority employees, which was seconded by Steve Carter.

Steve Carter and Susan Adams noted that \$1,000 is more in line with the bonuses approved in their localities.

The vote was:

Susan Adams: Yes

Steve Carter: Yes

Reid Wodicka: Yes

Frank Rogers: No

The motion carries.

4. Meeting Schedule for 2021

Four meetings are proposed for calendar year 2021, the first three being electronic. Susan Adams asked the Authority to consider only making the first two meetings electronic, at which point the governor's declaration expires. If additional meetings need to be electronic in the future, that can be considered at a later time.

The proposed dates are: January 27, 2021 (electronic), April 28, 2021 (electronic), July 28, 2021, and October 27, 2021, all meetings to be held at 2:00pm.

5. Adjourn – There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:21 p.m.