

Policy Council of the Board
9111 Cross Park Drive, Suite D-100
Knoxville, Tennessee 37923
July 13, 2021

The Policy Council of the East Tennessee Human Resource Agency Board of Directors held their regular Policy Council Meeting on July 13, 2021, at the ETHRA Corporate office, 9111 Cross Park Drive, Suite D-100, Knoxville, Tennessee.

The following Board members were present:

Mark Potts	Jefferson County
Joe Brooks	Claiborne County
Brian Langley	Morgan County
Terry Frank	Anderson County
Ed Mitchell	Blount County
Crystal Ottinger	Cocke County
Bill Brittain	Hamblen County
E.L. Morton	Campbell County
Jason Bailey	Union County
Mike Byrd	Grainger County
Larry Waters	Sevier County
Ron Woody	Roane County
Glenn Jacobs	Knox County
Trey Dykes	Newport, TN
Omer Cox	Oliver Springs, TN
Ron Williams	Farragut, TN

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chair Mark Potts opened the meeting and asked if there were any public comments. There being none, the meeting was called to order.

CALL TO ORDER

The Chair, Mark Potts, called the meeting to order.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the previous meeting were mailed and e-mailed to members as part of the agenda package.

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS WRITTEN. A MOTION WAS MADE BY OMER COX AND WAS SECONDED BY RON WOODY TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS WRITTEN. THE MOTION PASSED.

FINANCIAL REPORT

County Executive Brian Langley, Treasurer, presented the financial reports for the period ending May FY 2021. County Executive Brian Langley asked if there were any questions regarding the financial report. There were no questions.

MOTION: TO ACCEPT ETHRA'S FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD MAY FY 2021. MOTION WAS MADE BY MAYOR E.L. MORTON AND SECONDED BY MAYOR RON WILLIAMS. THE MOTION PASSED.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Holiway introduced Kathy Hicks, LIHEAP. Ms. Hicks presented the current allocations and balances within the counties served by LIHEAP. Ms. Hicks reported that a beginning budget for LIHEAP was \$2.3 million and to date, a total of 4500 households has been served. There was approximately four-hundred-thousand dollars left with most being from CARES Act. She asked for approval to move the four-hundred-thousand dollars from Anderson, Campbell, Claiborne and Scott to the two counties that had a wait list; those two counties are Union and Morgan counties.

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE FUND BALANCE OF FOUR-HUNDRED-THOUSAND FROM ANDERSON, CAMPBELL, CLAIBORNE AND SCOTT TO UNION AND MORGAN COUNTIES AS PRESENTED. MOTION WAS MADE BY E.L. MORTON AND SECONDED BY RON WOODY. THE MOTION PASSED.

Mr. Holiway presented the Public Entity Partners Matching Grant Program on behalf of ETHRA Transportation. The Safety Partners Matching Grant would be used for safety vests for ETHRA drivers. The grant is for \$2,500.00.

MOTION: TO APPROVE PUBLIC ENTITY PARTNERS - SAFETY PARTNERS MATCHING GRANT AS PRESENTED. MOTION WAS MADE BY RON WOODY AND SECONDED BY BRIAN LANGLEY. THE MOTION PASSED

Mr. Holiway introduced Katie Somoza, the new Community Corrections Program Manager. Mr. Holiway encouraged everyone to stop by and introduce himself or herself to Ms. Somoza after the meeting.

Mr. Holiway invited everyone to attend the HRA training scheduled for August 24 - 27, 2021, in Franklin, Tennessee. He indicated that ETHRA would take care of fees and registration. Please contact Cynthia Plemens or Cindy Miles.

Mr. Holiway also mentioned that the 25th Annual Smoky Mountain Justice Conference was scheduled for November 1 - 5, 2021, at the Edgewater Hotel, Gatlinburg, Tennessee. He invited everyone to attend.

Mr. Holiway reported that ETHRA received 40 mainstream vouchers and 31 new emergency HUD vouchers. The vouchers would now cover expenses such as deposits and long-term program expenses.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MARK POTTS TO ADJOURN. BRIAN LANGLEY SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION PASSED.



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