

EAST TENNESSEE HUMAN RESOURCE AGENCY, INC.

Policy Council of the Board
The Venue at Lenoir City
7690 Creekwood Park Blvd., Lenoir City, TN 37772
September 9, 2021

The Board meeting of the East Tennessee Human Resource Agency was held on September 9, 2021, at the Venue, 7690 Creekwood Park Blvd., Lenoir City, TN 37772.

The following Board members were present:

Mark Potts	Jefferson County
Joe Brooks	Claiborne County
Jeff Tibbals	Scott County
Crystal Ottinger	Cocke County
E.L. Morton	Campbell County
Jason Bailey	Union County
Ron Woody	Roane County
Glenn Jacobs	Knox County
Omer Cox	Oliver Springs, TN
Senator Briggs	

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 JEFF TIBBALS AND WAS SECONDED BY RON WOODY TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS WRITTEN. THE MOTION PASSED.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Beth Evers, ETHRA Financial Director, presented the financial reports for the period ending July FY 2021. Ms. Evers 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 CRYSTAL OTTINGER. THE MOTION PASSED.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Holiway reported that DHS opened the TANF Opportunity Grant on September 1. The first step is for a 3 - 5 page abstract.

If abstract is approved, then the planning grants are funding up to \$500,000. Then the TANF advisory board will approve six (six) projects for \$25 million each. ETHRA hopes to be a player in this opportunity.

Mr. Holiway stated that LIHEAP and Weatherization are expected to see significant funding increases in the upcoming months. The new LIHEAP year begins October 1 and the maximum benefit level has increased to \$1000. Weatherization is facing a challenge statewide due to limited number of certified inspectors.

ETHRA will be having a two-day strategic planning session on September 28 and 29, 2021. All board members are invited to attend.

The Smoky Mountain Criminal Justice Conference is November 1-5 and if you would like to go, please let us know and we will make your arrangements to attend.

OTHER BUSINESS

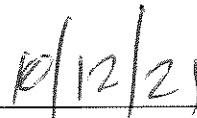
There was no other business.

ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MARK POTTS TO ADJOURN. CRYSTAL OTTINGER SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION PASSED.



Signature



Date