

**Minutes**  
**Executive Board**  
**South Eastern Council of Governments**  
**March 24, 2021**

**Kevin Smith, Chair**

**Present**

Barth, Jeff: Minnehaha County Commissioner  
Brekke, Janet: Sioux Falls City Council  
Eckhoff, Jeff: Mayor's Appt.: City of Sioux Falls  
Franken, Joan: Private Representative  
Gullickson, Brad: Private Representative  
Hansen, Bill: Private Representative  
Hindbjorgen, Dan: Private Representative  
Hybertson, Jared: Turner County Commissioner  
Kolbeck, Jack: Legislator  
Larsen, Jennifer: Private Representative  
Olson, Dennis, Mayor's Appt.: City of Brandon  
Prescott, John: Mayor's Appt.: Mayor of Vermillion  
Schmidt, Jim: Lincoln County Commissioner  
Smith, Betty: Clay County Commissioner  
Starr, Pat: Sioux Falls City Council  
Ustad, Milton: Union County Commissioner  
Wenck, Derick: Mayor of Harrisburg

**Absent**

Fonkert, Jesse: Private Representative  
Koch, Dean: McCook County Commissioner  
Stern, Scott: Private Representative  
Weber, Roger: Private Representative

**Staff Present**

Lynne Keller Forbes

**Others Present**

1. **Call Meeting to Order:** At 4:01 p.m., Chair Kevin Smith called the meeting to order with the following Joint Cooperative Agreement Members present: Jeff Barth, Janet Brekke, Jeff Eckhoff, Jared Hybertson, Dennis Olson, John Prescott, Jim Schmidt, Betty Smith, Pat Starr, Milton Ustad, and Derick Wenck.
2. **Appointment of Private Sector Representatives and Legislative Members for 2021:** The Nominating Committee put forth the following recommendations:
  - a. **Private Sector Representatives:** Jesse Fonkert, Joan Franken, Brad Gullickson, Bill Hansen, Dan Hindbjorgen, Jennifer Larsen, Scott Stern, and Roger Weber.
  - b. **Legislative Member:** Senator Jack Kolbeck.

John Prescott made a motion to appoint the slate of nominees. Jeff Barth seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously. At this point, the private sector representatives and legislative member joined the meeting.

3. **Election of Officers for 2021:** The Nominating Committee put forth the following recommendations: Kevin Smith as Chair, John Prescott as Vice-Chair, and Dan Hindbjorgen as Secretary/Treasurer. Jim Schmidt made a motion to appoint the slate of nominees. Pat Starr seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.
4. **Appointment of Operations Committee for 2021:** Chair Kevin Smith appointed Jeff Eckhoff, Joan Franken, Dennis Olson, Bill Hansen, and Roger Weber to serve on the Operations Committee for 2021.

5. **Approval of Minutes from December 9, 2020:** Dennis Olson made a motion to approve the December 9, 2020, minutes and was seconded by Jeff Eckhoff. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.
6. **Financial Statements as of 12/31/2020 (Preliminary) and 02/28/2021:** Lynne Keller Forbes presented the preliminary financial statements as of December 31, 2020, and the financial statements as of February 28, 2021. Jim Schmidt made a motion to approve the preliminary financial statements as of December 31, 2020 and the financial statements as of February 28, 2021. The motion was seconded by Jack Kolbeck. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.
7. **Operations Committee:**
  - A. **2022 Dues:** On March 24, 2004, the Board adopted Resolution #2004-01 establishing a membership dues increase policy which states, "Absent extenuating circumstances, annual increases to SECOG's membership dues shall coincide with the Consumer Price Index factor provided by the South Dakota Secretary of Revenue and Regulation pursuant to SDCL 10-13-35 and 10-13-38." In accordance with this resolution, the dues increase for 2022 will be 1.2%. Due to a delay in the release of the 2020 updated Census, the board also recommended basing the 2022 dues on the 2010 Census numbers. Dan Hindbjorgen made a motion to approve a 1.2% dues increase for 2022 and to base the 2022 dues on the 2010 Census population. The motion was seconded by Joan Franken. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.
8. **Resolution #2021-01:** Lynne Keller Forbes presented Resolution #2021-01. Betty Smith made a motion to approve Resolution #2021-01 authorizing the filing of a Solid Waste Management Program grant in an amount not to exceed \$500,000, including all understandings and assurances contained therein, to pass through to the South Eastern Development Foundation. The motion was seconded by Jack Kolbeck. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.
9. **2020 Annual Report:** Lynne Keller Forbes presented the 2020 Annual Report. This was informational only.
10. **Legislative Update:** Senator Jack Kolbeck presented the Legislative Update. This was informational only.
11. **Other Business:** No other business was brought before the board.
12. **Next Board Meeting:** The next board meeting will be June 9, 2021, at 4:00 p.m.
13. **Adjournment:** Chair Kevin Smith adjourned the meeting at 5:15 p.m.