

Indiana ACEC Funding Sources Committee
Agency Meeting Minutes

1 North Capitol Avenue
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204
First Floor Conference Room

March 21, 2018

1. INTRODUCTIONS

Mr. Tony Akles, Chair, called the roll. The attendance sheet is attached.

2. INITIATIVES

2.1 BOTTLED WATER FUND SUBCOMMITTEE, PATTI YOUNT

Regrouping, trying to figure out what to focus on over the summer.

Task Group has been formed, same group since the beginning for consistency.

Bill 1267 Passed: study of drinking water and waste water

Bill 362 Passed: Asset management plans for smaller/newer utilities

Bill 1241 Passed: Dealt with IFA, organizational items, includes a review of performance and payment bonds

386 Passed: Indianapolis dam/levee improvements (like TIF)

1233 Passed: Relates to IDEM

2.2 2018 FUNDING SOURCES WORKSHOP, MARK SULLIVAN

The meeting is scheduled for April 10, 2018. Topics and speakers are still wanted.

3. FUNDING AGENCY UPDATES

3.1 SRF LOAN PROGRAM – CAMILLE MEINERS

July 1, 2017 to now: closed 15 WWTP, 8 Drinking Water Projects

Middle of June target date for 2018 PER submittals.

Lead service line replacement incentive: 2 projects done already. Let them know if we have any good clients dealing with lead service lines. Interest rates as low as 0.00%. 35-year term loans for pipe projects. Fee may be assessed, 10 basis points for every 5 years.

WIFIA: They did apply, still working through it. Answer coming soon, Jim McGoff is traveling to DC to discuss further. They basically had to prepare an environmental document to handle all projects in Indiana.

Jack Fisher is retiring Sept. 1st. His position is now posted. Doris Roberson is retiring this year soon. Looking to fill her position soon also.

Asset Management Plans: SRF drafting implementation plan, want to partner with ACEC, still working through logistics

The project priority list is being updated right now. There are some projects that have done some phased partial closings. \$208M Clean Water \$28.5M in Drinking Water.

Lead line replacement is available similar to the green project reserve and the interest rate can go down to 0%.

The loan terms have been extended to 35-years for pipe installation. There needs to be a certificate of useful life provided to receive this 35-year extension.

The flooding program matches well with OCRA and can be used to leverage projects.

3.2 IU PUBLIC POLICY INSTITUTE -

EWIG is still available. The un-sewered community program will be completed before the task force starts this summer.

3.3 INDIANA OFFICE OF COMMUNITY & RURAL AFFAIRS (OCRA) -

CWG is going through a review process of everything; trying to make the process less burdensome on communities. Started with main construction grants, more changes with grant application with round 1 of 2018 (starts April 15/16).

2018 Calendar posted on their website.

2019 Calendar is in the works, trying to publish online June or July 2018.

Main Objective: Eric wants everyone to know that OCRA is here to listen; please do ask questions if you don't understand anything. Questions are the reason you're starting to notice some changes in requirements.

Jennifer Vorace has transferred to S.E. district. Accepted offers for W.C. and E.C. district. Look for introduction soon for those two members.

New project manager, Michael Senate, coordinator for Stellar Program.

Public Comment period for Action Plan, Draft Plan available online. Of note: planning grants increased to \$60,000.

17 Wastewater, 17 Drinking Water, 7 Storm water applications

Maximum amount for WW/DW = \$700,000 if project over \$1,000,000 with rate over \$50. Smallest max is \$500,000

4. FUTURE MEETING DATES:

- 4.1 AGENDA SETTING JUNE 6, 2018 AT DONOHUE
- 4.2 COMMITTEE MEETING JUNE 20, 2018 1:30-3:00PM 1 NORTH CAPITOL