

**SOUTHERN ALLEGHENIES PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
10:00 A.M., Wednesday, March 19, 2025
COMMISSION OFFICE**

Call to Order.....Hon. Scott Hunt

Public Comment Period.....Hon. Scott Hunt

1. Minutes

- **January 15, 2025 Board of Directors Meeting**

Recommendation: Approval of Minutes, as presented.

2. Finance Report

- Accounts Payable
Represents bills paid for January/February 2025

- Bank Accounts Summary
Summary of available Commission funds

Recommendation: Approval as presented.

3. Southern Alleghenies Workforce Development Board (SAWDB)

Update on significant issues within workforce development.

Informational: No Action Needed.

4. Business Development Program Update

Review of PREP performance measures and metrics and an update on the PA Outdoor Recreation Project.

Informational: No Action Needed.

5. EARN Program

Update on EARN program status.

Informational: No Action Needed.

6. Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Update

A scope of work has been prepared for updating 2018's *Alleghenies Ahead* and 2007's *Connections in our Landscape: The Southern Alleghenies Greenways and Open Space Network Plan*. This scope of work seeks a new comprehensive plan for the region and each county except Somerset. It seeks a new greenways and open space network plan for all six counties. Mr. Slusser will present a budget for the project based on consultant estimates, the percentage of these costs that Commonwealth agencies are potentially willing to fund, and a proposed cost sharing plan amongst the counties for required local match. SAP&DC staff seeks the approval of this cost sharing plan before it is submitted to each county for their final approval through the signing of an intermunicipal cooperative agreement.

Recommendation: **Approval as presented.**

7. Executive Order 12372 Projects

The Federal Office of Management and Budget designated SAP&DC, under E.O. 12372, to review requests for Federal financial assistance within its six-county service area for concurrence with relevant regional planning documents.

SAP&DC staff have reviewed the proposed projects as listed.

Recommendation: **Approval as presented.**

8. Business Lending Report

The following loan applications have been approved by the Commission's Loan Review Committee and are now submitted for review and action by SAP&DC's Board of Directors.

➤ Loan Submissions

Adam N. & Linda N. Nolt
Acquisition Farm Real Estate
\$400,000

Equipment Road Property Group, LLC / Gap View Events, LLC
Renovation – 37 Spring Street, Everett, PA
\$200,000

Recommendation: **Approval as presented.**

9. Other Business

- Next SAP&DC Board of Directors Meeting: May 28, 2025 at 10:00 AM with the Finance Committee Meeting beginning at 9:00 AM to review the budget and the Accounting Policy Manual.

Adjournment