

GEORGIA MOUNTAINS REGIONAL COMMISSION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Dawson County Middle School
Dawsonville, GA
May 28, 2015

MINUTES

The GMRC Executive Committee met on Thursday, May 28, 2015, 5:00 p.m. at the Dawson County Middle School in Dawsonville, Georgia. The meeting was hosted by Dawson County and Dawson County Board of Education.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Sam Norton called the meeting to order and thanked everyone for attending. The following members were present:

Executive Committee Present

Sam Norton, Chairman
Dean Scarborough, Vice Chairman
Mike Berg
Bill Chafin
Jim Conley
Rex Farmer
Leslie George
Lamar Paris
George Wangemann

GMRC Staff Present

W. Danny Lewis, Executive Director
Peggy Lovell, Executive Assistant

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Chairman Norton asked for consideration of the minutes of the April 30, 2015 Executive Committee Meeting. Motion for approval of the minutes was made by Bill Chafin, seconded by Rex Farmer, and motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS

Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Danny Lewis reported that for the next couple of days Scott Hamilton, Executive Director of Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) will be visiting in the North Georgia area. Mr. Hamilton is in the Northwest Georgia area today and will be in the Georgia Mountains and Northeast Georgia area on Friday. Mr. Lewis along with Heather Feldman and Patrick Larson will meet Mr. Hamilton in Stephens County to view some of our ARC projects. Connie Tabor, Toccoa Chamber of Commerce and Annaka Woodruff with ARC arranged the tour in our area. Mr. Hamilton stated that he would be back in our area in the near future.

The Legislators will be presented with an appreciation gift at tonight's meeting. Thanks to our GMRC Chairman, we have a very unique gift for them this year. For the Legislators that were not able to attend, Council members were asked to deliver their Legislators gift to them and express our appreciation for their work.

Mr. Lewis reported that the City of Dahlonega has hired Mr. William Schmid as their new City Manager. At the same time, there are three city/county manager positions coming open due to retirement or relocating. He stated that people know that the managers in our area do a good job.

The Executive Committee was informed that there were three checks written that exceeded \$25,000 during the months of May.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Nominating Committee Report

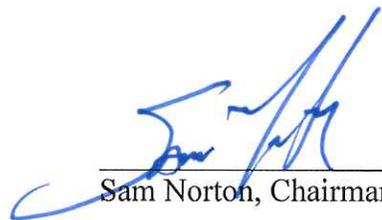
Rex Farmer, Nominating Committee Chairman, reported that the Nomination Committee met previously and the following names were suggested for the new slate of GMRC Officers: Dean Scarborough, Chairman (Stephens County); James Grogan, Vice-Chairman (City of Dawsonville); and George Wangemann, Secretary (City of Gainesville). These names will be presented to the Council for consideration and a vote.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENTS

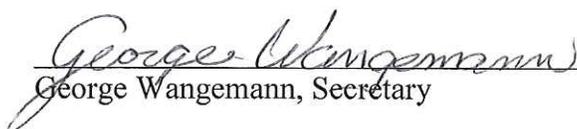
Chairman Norton spoke of his appreciation to the Executive Committee for their leadership and service for the last two years. To show his appreciation, he invited the Executive Committee to Dahlonega for dinner. He will contact everyone later on the date. The Executive Committee thanked Chairman Norton for his guidance and leadership.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm.



Sam Norton, Chairman



George Wangemann, Secretary