

Advisory Board Project PATH
Minutes
February 23, 2023

A. Meeting called to order-

City Manager Stockdale called the meeting to order at 9:05am.

B. Roll Call-

Present - City Managers; Stockdale, Smith and Burgener.

Absent – Commissioner Dorran and City Manager Slaght.

Others: Stepping Stones Alliance Members; Cathy Lloyd and Jesalyn Cole. City of Umatilla Community Development Manager, Esmeralda Perches and Carla McLane.

C. Approval of Minutes-

City Manager Burgener requested correction of his name. City Manager Stockdale requested motion to approve minutes with correction. City Manager Smith motioned for approval of minutes with correction. Motioned seconded by City Manager Burgener. Motion carried.

D. Project PATH Updates -

1. *Staff* -Cathy introduced new Executive Director, Jesalyn Cole. Also mentioned new Navigation Director, Carolina Delgado.
2. *Sleep Center* – Jesalyn reported a total of 502 guest for the month of January; average of 16 guest per night, 29 new guest, 81 unduplicated, 124 volunteer shifts and donated hot meals nightly.
3. *Partnerships* – Cathy stated MOU's are starting to develop with partners.
4. *Grants* – Jesalyn reported that she has applied for three new grants; Wildhorse, Good Shepherd and EOCCO.
5. *Continuum of Care* – Jesalyn reported that she has made contacted with our local Rural Continuum of Care and is in the process of filling out the application.
6. *PODS* – Cathy requested we refer to them as Individual Housing Units (IHU). Cathy provided schedule for the construction of IHU and requested volunteers.

E. Strategic Plan –

Carla provided draft of Strategic Plan and requested formal feedback via email with in two weeks. The plan is to have a complete Strategic Plan drafted by end of March so that each jurisdiction may present to their Council for comment in April and adopt in May.

F. Site Updates-

Esmeralda stated SHPO sent out approval of permit to each jurisdiction, hoping to completed the permit and report by April 20th. All other construction is stalled due to State requirement of an Archaeological Sub-Surface Report.

G. OHCS, Technical Services –

Esmeralda met with a representative from OHCS, they asked if we needed technical assistance, general consensus was to ask for technical assistance in grant drafting and researching.

H. CDBG Grant Funding –

City Manager Stockdale, notified group of opportunity to apply for CDBG grant funding for site needs such as; transportation bulb out, showers, restrooms, paving, security, lighting and landscaping.

I. Open Table Discussion –

City Manager Byron reminded group his request for Project PATH updates at the Hermiston City Council Meeting on February 27, 2023 at 6:15pm. Esmeralda reminded group of ideas for acknowledging Mike Atkinson and his support to this project, Cathy will brainstorm ideas.

J. Adjournment –

City Manager Stockdale requested for a motion to adjourn meeting. City Manager Burgener motioned to adjourn meeting. City Manager Smith second the motion. Meeting adjourned at 10:42am.