

**PICKAWAY PROGRESS PARTNERSHIP
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
AUGUST 21, 2025, 8:00AM
OCUBIC SECOND FLOOR ROOM 208
1360 LANCASTER PIKE**

PRESENT: Craig Stevenson, Keith Summers, Louis McFarland, Bethany Reid, Mark Lightle, and Michelle Blanton (arrived 8:07am, left 9:15am)

Not Present: Jay Wippel, Diane Hill, and Daryl Wolfe

Staff: Tim Colburn and Tiffany Anderson

Guest: N/A

Louis McFarland called the meeting to order at 8:01am.

Approval of Committee Meeting Minutes

- Craig Stevenson made a motion to approve June 12, 2025, meeting minutes. Keith Summers seconded the motion; motion carried.
- Keith Summers made a motion to approve July 11, 2025, meeting minutes. Craig Stevenson seconded the motion; motion carried.

Treasurer Report

- Mark Lightle reviewed the June and July 2025 financials with the Board and addressed any questions.
- Bethany Reid made a motion to approve June 2025 financials. Keith Summers seconded the motion; motion carried.
- Bethany Reid made a motion to approve July 2025 financials. Keith Summers seconded the motion; motion carried.

Old Business

- Bethany Reid volunteered to Chair the Nominating Committee. She will recruit Board members to serve on the committee and present her recommendations to the Executive Committee in October. The Nominating Committee will then meet and bring its recommendations for Board Officers and Board Seats to the Executive Committee at the December meeting.

Economic Development Report

- Tim Colburn provided the Board with an update on current economic developments and answered questions.
- Keith Summers gave an update on the Ag Committee. The Committee will hire *Planning NEXT* to conduct an Agriculture Study and is still finalizing the scope. To fund the study, \$5,000 has been requested from both P3 and the Port Authority with additional funding to be pursued through grants.

- Keith Summers made a motion for P3 to pay \$5,000 towards Agriculture Study. Mark Lightle seconded the motion; motion carried.
- Louis McFarland provided the Board with an update on the hiring of a new Director. Eight applications were received, and two candidates were interviewed, Brian Hill was selected as the New Director.

Executive Session

- Keith Summers made a motion at 9:21am to go into executive session per ORC 121.22 (G)(1) To consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual, unless the public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual requests a public hearing. Bethany Reid seconded the motion. Roll call vote 5 Yes, 0 No, motion carried.
- Bethany Reid made a motion at 9:36am to exit executive session, Kieth Summers seconded the motion. Roll call vote 5 Yes 0 No, motion carried.

New Business

- A motion was made by Craig Stevenson to recommend a performance bonus of \$15,00 to Tim Colburn based on his annual review. Mark Lightle seconded the motion; motion carried.
- Bethany Reid made a motion to approve the 3% cost of living raise to Tim Colburn from the County. Keith Summers seconded; motion carried.
- The Committee reviewed the Public Comment Policy and had no questions.
- Mark Lighte made the recommendation to take the Public Comment Policy to the full Board for approval. Keith Summers seconded the motion; motion carried.

Adjournment

- Bethany Reid made a motion to adjourn at 9:42am, seconded by Keith Summers.