

Board of Delegates Meeting Minutes October 9, 2019

Jurisdictions Present	Represented By	Jurisdictions Not Present
Albemarle	Martha Sue Hall	Anson County
Badin	Deloris Chambers	Ansonville
Bessemer City	Kay McCathen	Belmont
Cabarrus County	Lynn Shue	Cherryville
Charlotte	Larken Egleston	Cleveland
Cornelius	Thurman Ross	Concord
Cramerton	Donald Rice	Dallas
Gaston County	Ronnie Worley	Davidson
Gastonia	Walker Reid	East Spencer
Granite Quarry	Bill Feather	Faith
Lincoln County	Rich Permenter and Milton Sigmon	Harrisburg
Locust	Rusty Efird	Hemby Bridge
Marshville	Virginia Morgan	Huntersville
Matthews	Jeff Miller	Iredell County
Mecklenburg County	Trevor Fuller	Kings Mountain
Midland	John Crump	Landis
Misenheimer	Jeff Watson	Lincolnton
Mooresville	Bobby Compton	Lowell
Spencer	Mike Boone	Marvin
Stallings	David Scholl	McAdenville
Statesville	Michael Johnson and William Morgan	Mineral Springs
Troutman	Janith Huffman	Mint Hill
Wadesboro	Bill Thacker	Monroe
Wingate	Brent Moser	Morven
		Mount Holly
		Norwood
		Oakboro
		Pineville
		Ranlo
		Richfield
		Salisbury
		Stanley
		Stanly County
		Union County
		Waxhaw
		Weddington

Call to Order

Chairman Bobby Compton, Town of Mooresville, called the meeting to order and noted that a quorum was present.

Invocation

Mayor Pro Tem Martha Sue Hall, City of Albemarle, gave the invocation.

Amendments to the Agenda

There were no amendments to the agenda.

Consent Agenda

1. CCOG Bylaws Amendment

2. Approval of the August 14, 2019 Board of Delegates Meeting Minutes

Treasurer William Morgan, City of Statesville, made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Mayor Pro Tem Hall seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

3. Centralina Health Solutions Center Presentation

Katie Kutcher, Aging Programs Coordinator, explained that the Centralina Health Solutions is a joint effort between the Centralina Area Agency on Aging and the Planning Department. She presented an overview of education efforts that have involved mapping and examining trends in local counties to determine the types of workshops to provide in those areas. She noted that the Annual Aging Conference will be held on November 1st at Friendship Missionary Baptist Church in Charlotte.

Michelle Nance, Planning Director, noted that the Planning for Healthy Communities Conference will be held on November 5th from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Gastonia Conference Center. She highlighted the Stanly County Senior Analysis, noting that at the completion of the study, CCOG provided recommendations to the county on service offerings and senior center satellite locations. She also highlighted Open Streets 704, in which CCOG assisted the City of Charlotte with a demonstration project to promote safety, walking, and biking at an intersection.

Chairman Compton asked the Delegates to encourage their managers and fellow board members in their communities to attend the Aging and Planning for Healthy Communities Conferences.

4. <u>Regional Transit Plan Policy Committee Recommendations</u>

Ms. Nance presented an overview of the Regional Transit Plan, noting that over the past two years, CCOG has talked to local government staff, elected officials, major employers, economic development organizations, hospitals, school systems, and community colleges about transit needs and opportunities for expansion within the region. CCOG has selected a consulting firm to develop the plan and contract negotiations are ongoing. The planning process should last 18 months, beginning with a kick-off event before the end of 2019. She explained that the Delegates will caucus at their tables to select elected officials to serve on the Regional Transit Policy Committee that will make a recommendation to the Board of Delegates, which is one of the adopting bodies for the plan. She added that the private sector, the public, and other community stakeholders will also be involved in the process.

In response to a question from Commissioner Rich Permenter, Lincoln County, Ms. Nance explained that the plan will involve coordinating connection points for mass transit options such as express buses, demand response systems, van pools, and fixed route bus systems.

Jason Wager, Principal Planner, presented instructions for the caucus. He asked each county to nominate two CCOG Delegates to participate on the Policy Committee. He also asked each county to nominate up to three additional elected officials to serve on the committee.

The Delegates from Anson, Cabarrus, Gaston, Iredell, Lincoln, Mecklenburg, Rowan, Stanly, and Union Counties caucused to select nominees to serve on the Regional Transit Plan Policy Committee. The Delegates then participated in a table discussion about information they would like to see at the kick-off event, major transit challenges, and available transit opportunities in their communities.

5. <u>Census 2020 Presentation and Engagement Activity</u>

Geraldine Gardner, Executive Director, presented an overview of the U.S. Census, noting its importance for redistricting, federal and state funding allocations, and as a data source used for improving schools, roads, health care, and emergency response services. She further noted that the Census will be offered online in 2020.

In response to questions from Council Member Larken Egleston, Ms. Gardner noted that Union County does not intend to form a Complete Count Committee, but CCOG will continue to support the county's Census efforts. She also noted that nationwide, the highest Census participation rate for a single city was 85%.

In response to a question from Mayor Pro Tem Jeff Watson, Village of Misenheimer, Ms. Gardner noted that Census results will be released by the end of 2020 and the data will be rolled out in the following years.

The Delegates participated in a table exercise and completed worksheets to identify potential barriers to Census participation, solutions to address those barriers, and ways to encourage Census participation in their communities.

Comments from the Board of Delegates

There were no comments from the Board.

Comments from the Chairman

Chairman Compton reminded the Delegates about the Annual Aging Conference on Friday, November 1st and the Planning for Healthy Communities Conference on Tuesday, November 5th. He added that CCOG will host a grants workshop on Tuesday, November 12th at the CCOG office. He further noted that the Catawba Wateree Water Management Group is accepting nominations for the 2020 Citizens Water Academy.

Chairman Compton wished his luck to all of the Delegates running for re-election.

He introduced Randy Hemann, the new Town Manager of Mooresville.

Chairman Compton recognized Council Member Michael Johnson, City of Statesville, thanking him for his service to the Board, his community, and the Centralina region.

Council Member Johnson expressed his appreciation for his mentors at CCOG, including Mayor Pro Tem Hall. He added that CCOG is a great organization and encouraged it to keep going.

Comments from the Executive Director

There were no comments from the Executive Director.

Adjournment

With no further business to be discussed, Chairman Compton adjourned the meeting at 8:07 p.m.