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REAP Board & Officer Elections Meeting

November 14, 2019

11:45 a.m.

Colorado Air & Spaceport, Watkins, CO

The monthly meeting of the I-70 Regional Economic Advancement Partnership (REAP) was called to order at 12:00 p.m. by Chairman Kirk Holwell, who welcomed the attendees.

The following Board Members were present:

Jeff Baker	Wil Chase	Doug Claussen	Ivy Craig
Kristi Cranston	Mark Harding	Mary Hodge	Kirk Holwell
Frank Linnebur	Neal Mancuso	Gary May	Robin Purdy
Glenn Rotkovich	Tom Turrell	Becky Zierer	

Guests attending were:

Caitlan	Cahill	Arapahoe County
Loretta	Daniel	Arapahoe County
Steve	Hebert	Town of Bennett
Julio	Iturreria	Reap
Kathy	Mahan	Reap
Larry	Mugler	Arapahoe County
Keith	Yaich	Bennett Schools

Approval of the October 10, 2019 Meeting Minutes:

Minutes approved as submitted

Election of Officers and Board:

Reap Board of Directors approved the 2020 Slate. (See Exhibit A)

2020 Program Discussion:

Julio opened discussion for the 2020 Reap Priorities. The membership suggested to include “cultural arts” (which include music, vintage theater, library system and Bennett Arts Counsel) under the priority Agriculture and Agritourism and include “aerospace aviation” to the Aviation priority to the 2020 Brochure.

Further, the membership requested a new item included to each agenda “Development Updates”. Up to ten minutes will be dedicated for Jurisdictions along the I-70 Corridor the opportunity to introduce pending development along the I-70 Corridor. For larger projects Reap will invite the developer to attend for a short overview of the project.

The 2020 Business Plan is as follows:

Agriculture & Agritourism – Reap supports a strong local agriculture economy. Reap will promote agritourism based businesses and cultural arts to the region and state.

Aviation & Aerospace – REAP supports Colorado Air & Space Port, General Aviation, Aerospace Aviation, and resultant business development.

Energy – REAP supports the orderly development of Oil and Natural Gas Resources and Renewable Energy Industries.

Infrastructure – REAP supports data centers, high speed internet infrastructure, transportation upgrades, new transit planning and systems for access to jobs, healthcare, education and recreation.

Healthcare – REAP supports increasing local ability for quality healthcare, including urgent care.

Education – REAP supports all levels of quality education to provide opportunities for students and a skilled and motivated workforce.

Topics of interest for future meetings:

- All aspects of growth in the Corridor
- Large scale developments including industrial parks
- Update on residential development
- Industrial hemp production and manufacturing
- Greenhouse development
- Urgent Care
- School mentorship program

Other Business:

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 1:20 p.m.