

**Region 10  
Policy Committee Meeting  
Thursday, August 29, 2013  
ECICOG Conference Room  
700 16<sup>th</sup> Street NE, Suite 301  
Cedar Rapids, Iowa**

**The following members participated by conference call:**

Don Frese, Benton County  
Vicki Pope, Iowa County  
Lu Barron, Linn County  
Tom Brase, Johnson County  
Rob Fangmann, Cedar County  
Brent Hinson, Washington County  
Pat Harney, Johnson County  
Kevin Heitshusen, Iowa County  
Bob Yoder, Washington County  
Wayne Manternach, Jones County

**Alternates participating:** none

**Staff present:**

Mary Rump  
Brock Grenis

**Others participating:**

Cathy Cutler, Iowa DOT  
Mallory Marlatt, Northeast Iowa RC&D

**1.0 Call to Order**

Barron called the meeting to order at 1:56 PM.

**2.0 Routine Matters**

.1 Approval of Agenda

M/S/C (Pope, Frese) to approve agenda. All ayes.

.2 Approval of Minutes

M/S/C (Frese, Heitshusen) to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. All ayes.

.3 Public Comment

none

**3.0 New Business**

.1 FY 2015-2018 STP and TAP Application Process and Forms

Rump discussed the proposed application process and forms. She indicated that the process was virtually unchanged from the previous application cycle and no specific action was required of the committee. Applications will be distributed to all cities and counties on October 1 and due back to ECICOG by December 16, 2013.

## .2 RPA Restructuring

Barron presented a proposal to eliminate the Policy Committee and have the ECICOG Board of Directors provide their function. Barron indicated the proposal came about following a review of all regional committees. The proposal will allow reduce the time investment for board/committee members, allow for more frequent meetings, and enhance the likelihood of meeting quorums. Such a change, however, requires approval of both the Policy Committee and ECICOG Board, and in accordance with the bylaws, it also requires a 30-day notification to committee members. A vote on the issue is anticipated to take place at the October 2013 meeting.

Fangmann asked how Cedar County would be accommodated since they aren't on the ECICOG Board. Rump indicated that there would be some accommodation.

## **4.0 Adjournment**

Barron adjourned the meeting at 2:11 PM and set the next meeting for October 31, 2013.