



**Mayors' Partnership for Progress**  
August 9, 2018  
Ohio University Inn & Conference Center  
Athens, Ohio

**Member**

**Attendees:**

Luke Feeney	Mayor of Chillicothe
Steve Patterson	Mayor of Athens
Fred Redfern	Mayor of Crooksville
Greg Fraunfelder	Mayor of Logan
Michael Lorentz	Mayor of Belpre

**Representative**

**Attendees:**

Jack Frech	VISTA Volunteer
Randy Lambert	VISTA Volunteer
Addison Miller	Ohio Treasurer of State
Mary Beth Lane	Columbus Dispatch

**Voinovich School:**

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**SUMMARY**

Call to Order

Mayor Patterson called the meeting to order.

Financial Report

Mayor Lorentz reported there is \$2,582.00 in the MPP account as of August 8th, 2018. Also, the room rental has been paid for through the end of 2018.

Old Business

TBD

New Business

There was discussion around moving the monthly meetings to various locations throughout the region and all were in favor of this as long as they remained lunch meetings.

Information Roundtable Discussion

There was discussion around curbside recycling and curbside composting which the City of Athens just rolled out as a small pilot.

The Hopewell Ceremonial Earthworks application to the UNESCO World Heritage List is continuing to work its way through the process. It is now at the federal level and the estimated timeline is 2021.

Perry County collaborated with MORPC and Buckeye Hills to attend a one day seminar on economic development. The recommendation was put forward to Buckeye Hills to expand the seminar to other counties.

In conjunction with the economic development seminar there was discussion around the newly designated opportunity zones in Ohio and how best to take advantage of those.

#### VISTA Update

Medicaid expansion meetings - an e-mail was sent out to the group, please sign up to participate if you can.

TANF funds – the letter that Representative Jay Edwards sent was forwarded to all of the Mayors. They have mentioned that they are interested in the childcare worker issue

Local Government Fund, VISTA Jack Frech has contacted both the County Commissioners and the Ohio Municipal League to inquire about their efforts for restoration.

MPP candidate questionnaire was sent to both party headquarters and they have guaranteed they would get it to all of their candidates.

Opportunity Zones would be a good discussion topic in the future, maybe ask Mayor Tom Johnson to present on that topic.

#### BAIL REFORM PRESENTATION

Caitlin Hill, ACLU of Ohio and Rachel Sottile-Logvin, Pretrial Justice Institute discussed bail reform. Some key topics included how identifying key factors around who are actual low risk is important. Also knowing what your communities tolerance for failure is.

#### Next Meeting:

Mayors Partnership for Progress

Lunch: 12:00

Meeting: 12:30 pm

Thursday, September 13th, 2018

Athens, OH