CALL TO ORDER
Meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m., by Chairman McLean.

AGENDA APPROVAL
Chairman McLean asked if there were any changes to the agenda. D. Reid asked to add discussion of proposed electric rate increase under New Business. D. Timmer made the motion to add that discussion on the agenda. J. Moore made a second to the motion and it passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS
Chairman McLean opened the floor for public comments and asked if there were any comments. There were none.

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING
Chairman McLean asked if there were any corrections to the minutes of the last meeting July 23, 2014 or the Executive Committee meeting of September 3, 2014. Being none, D. Reid made a motion to approve both sets of minutes and was seconded by D. Timmer. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

CONSENT AGENDA
Chairman McLean explained the items that have been sent out in the meeting packet – minutes, staff and financial reports have been put on the consent agenda. If anyone has any questions or concerns about any of the information they can request to take it off the consent agenda and discuss it. Otherwise, if there are no questions or concerns than would ask for a motion to approve the packet items. D. Reid wondered if issues with MDOT were resolved regarding the Bike Map Update or if it was something that needed additional attention. D. Hagan explained there was a lot of back and forth communication about changes, but all the issues were worked out and the map updated and sent to be printed. Also, brought up was the topic of the USDA Forest Services plans to close some of the federal forest roads. D. Timmer added the reason for some of those roads was for forest fire protection. D. Reid would recommend to forest service to not close anything without saying which roads. R. Ford agreed it is a hot topic – and the advisory council has been discussing it. D. McLean added that public input is very important. J. Moore agreed no one shows up to the meetings and when a road is closed they destroy the land digging furrows, rocks and boulders to stop access. N. Coon said they are looking at the Class II and III roads for connectivity in the ORV study they are working on. D. Reid suggested a letter to the Forest Service asking them to provide a map showing the roads they are considering for closure and an explanation of why and made a motion for D. Hagan to write and send a letter, R. Ford supported. The motion was unanimously passed.

D. Timmer made a motion to approve the consent agenda items as presented, supported by G. Kinsella. Motion carried unanimously.
NEW BUSINESS
Director Hagan requested Board approval for submission of RPI grant for 2015 and submitted for review and approval a draft resolution. A motion to approve the resolution was made by G. Kinsella and supported by R. Ford. A roll call vote was taken:

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D. Reid distributed information on the proposed electrical rate increase and the implications it would mean for the region. Some discussion ensued. D. Timmer made a motion to draft a resolution with the concerns to send to legislators and Cloverland Electric and gather resolutions from other governmental bodies in the region to send together for a bigger impact. R. Ford suggested inviting Cloverland/ATC reps to future meetings along with T. Ewing of CC EDC. G. Kinsella supported the motion. It passed unanimously.

Director Hagan distributed a letter of support he wrote for approval of Special Use permit for Smithers auto testing at Raco missile base. Discussion of the site and the proposal ensued.

DIRECTOR’S REPORT
E/D Hagan reported for the RPI 2014 program the video equipment has been ordered for the two sites – MI Works in SSM and Luce Co. EDC building in Newberry. Future meetings include 60-90 minute focus group sessions on strategies/challenges, advisory committee will meet in November and a joint meeting of the advisory and stakeholders committees will take place on January 15, 2015. It has been suggested that a liaison committee be set up between MI Works and EUPRP&DC appointing Chair/Vice Chair to the liaison committee. D. Timmer made the motion to appoint the Chairman to the liaison committee, and R. Ford supported. It was approved unanimously.

A UP Talent Council was formed to look at MI Works across the U.P. and D. Hagan recommended a motion for the sitting Chair be assigned as a voting member. They plan to meet four times a year. D. Timmer made a motion to approve the sitting Chair as EUPRP&DC representative to the U.P. Talent Council. D. Reid supported the motion and it passed unanimously.

E/D Hagan discussed the potential for changing the meeting date as he has been having conflicts since merging with MI Works. The board meetings are typically the 4th Wednesday of the month and Director Hagan will review the meeting schedule for MI Works and report back to the board if a change is necessary.

OLD BUSINESS
D. Timmer wondered about restructuring EDC – looking at a more regional approach. EUPRP&DC assisting with a strategy for CC EDC, but each EDC in region is different – Luce Co. has discussed merging with Chamber of Commerce and in process of establishing a new director, but that has failed to gain any traction locally. Mackinac Co. EDC not as established as Chippewa Co. or Sault Ste. Marie EDC. The Board recommend that Regional Planning begin to convene meetings of the EDO’s across the region on a more regular basis, staff will start to coordinate those meetings in December.

R. Ford mentioned grants available for veteran’s councilors in each County with minimal investment.

G. Kinsella updated the Board on Superior Township’s recreation project regarding a piece of property acquired on Waiska River that they plan to develop and are seeking CZM/MDNRTF grants for improving.

ADJOURNMENT –
The next meeting date was scheduled for January 28, 2015, at 12:00 PM location to be determined. A motion to adjourn was made by R. Ford and supported by D. Timmer. The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.