

**MINUTES
BLUEGRASS ADD
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

OCTOBER 27, 2021

The Quarterly Meeting of the Board of Directors met Wednesday, October 27 via zoom. Chair Judge Wells called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Anderson County	Judge/Executive Orbrey Gritton
Bourbon County	Judge/Executive Mike Williams Jan Wagoner
Clark County	Judge/Executive Henry Branham Larry Disney
Estill County	Judge/Executive Donnie Watson
Fayette County	Chris Ford
Franklin County	Judge/Executive Huston Wells Mayor Layne Wilkerson
Garrard	Glen Ross Donna Powell
Harrison County	Mayor James Smith Gary Brunker
Jessamine County	Judge/Executive David West Pete Beaty
Lincoln County	Judge/Executive Jim Adams Mayor Dalton Miller Pam Cox Bill Payne
Madison County	Judge/Executive Reagan Taylor Mayor Robert Blythe Mayor Bruce Fraley Phillip Williams Paul Reynolds
Mercer County	Mike Sanford
Nicholas County	Cheryl Rawlings
Powell County	Judge/Executive James Anderson Josie Hollon James Caudill

Scott County

Jared Hollon

Woodford County

Judge/Executive James Kay
Mayor Brian Traugott

A quorum was present.

Judge Wells asked for approval for the July Executive, July Quarterly, August Executive, and the September Executive meeting minutes found on pages 1-9 of the packet. A motion was made by Judge Williams and seconded by Judge West to approve the minutes as submitted. The motion carried.

Mayor Robert Blythe was called on to give the Financial Report. Mayor Blythe directed the Board to pages 10-19 of the packet for the September financial report.

Statement of Financial Position
Statement of Activities Monthly and Year to Date
Income Statement (Original Budget to Actual Comparison)
Contracts Needing Board Approval

A motion was made by Mayor Blythe and seconded by Judge Williams to approve the Financial report including the contracts listed. The motion carried.

Next, Shane New called on the Director of Aging, Community Planning and Workforce to give an update on their departments. The Department updates can be found in your packets.

Next, Greyson Evans directed the Board to the 2021 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Update found in their packet and asked for approval. A motion was made by Judge Williams and seconded by Donna Powell to approve the CEDS update. The motion carried.

Mayor Blythe gave the Area Agency on Aging and Independent Living Council report. The Council met September 8 via zoom. September was National Senior Center Month. Mayor Blythe commented "it is good that we take care of one of the most vulnerable citizens-our Seniors. There are many scams, abuse, and attempts to defraud Senior Citizens. Happy that we have the resources available to be able to help the Senior population. The new Senior Center in Richmond is wonderful and a way we can help Seniors. Thank You to everyone who helps the Senior population."

Judge West reported on the Bluegrass Economic Development Advisory Committee. The Committee met September 2 via zoom. David Duttlinger begins by emphasizing the importance of having updated maps for industrial sites located in each county. Greyson Evans then began discussing the progress that has been made on the COVID 19 economic development resiliency plan. Janice Westlund noted that she is in the process of updating employment data for each of the counties in the region to see which industries have been the most resilient and why that is the case. Janice has also gathered data on changes in education over time. She also made note of the fact that some of our colleges have seen increases in enrollment during COVID.

Next, Karyn Leverenz reported on the Natural Resources & Environmental Protection Advisory Committee. The Committee met September 15 via zoom. Ms. Leverenz asked the group if anyone had suggestions for future topics or speakers. Jimmy Marcum asked if she had been able to get ahold of anyone at AppHarvest. Ms. Leverenz has not been able to contact anyone but posited asking Mayor Fraley with the City of Berea if he might be able to make a connection on the groups' behalf. Ms. Jennifer Carey noted that they are tenants at the new Greyline Station Market. That might be an avenue to getting in contact with someone.

Mr. Pete Beaty gave the Regional Planning Council report. The Council met September 28 via zoom. Guest Speaker, Linda Ain, who is an attorney. Ms. Ain made a detailed presentation about Small Cell Towers. She described what small cell towers are, why communities can expect applications for small cell towers in the near future, and why it's important to have a written policy regulating small cell towers. Mayor Wagoner was called on for the Tourism, Recreation and Historic Preservation Advisory Committee. The Committee met September 14 via zoom. First to speak was Kendall Clinton from Anderson County. Kendall reported that New Bourbon House Banners were the subject of positive news reports this summer. He also reported that Anderson County had secured future events via a deal with the Gold Wind Road Riders. The County had also held a successful bicentennial event and was planning the future Burgoon Festival as well as other autumn activities.

Next to speak was Nancy Turner from Clark County. Nancy reported that the Daniel Boone Pioneer Festival went very well and that the Beer Cheese Trail had received a great deal of coverage. Clark County is also preparing for Keeneland and a few other small events. Phil Seyfrit then provided an update on events in Madison County. Richmond is holding a few fall music festivals and is also preparing to host the inaugural Millstone Fest in Downtown Richmond. Jane Vanhook from Lincoln County reported that the County is preparing to welcome a famous author to Stanford on September 25th

A motion was made by Pete Beaty and seconded by Mayor Fraley to approve the Committee and Council reports submitted. The motion carried.

Next, Mr. Duttlinger introduced Hannah Gregory, Quality Control Specialist for the Workforce Department employee of the quarter.

Judge Wells directed the Board to the KIRP's contained in the packet and asked if there were any to be discussed. There being none, a motion was made by Judge Gritton and seconded by James Caudill to accept the KIRP's with staff or committee recommendation given. The motion carried.

Gayland Drive Rehabilitation - City of Midway
Saffell Street Sidewalk Replacement - City of Lawrenceburg
Scaffold Cane Trail Shared Use Path TAP Application - City of Berea
Summit Street Sidewalks and Lighting - Eastern Kentucky University
Hollerwood Off-Road Park - Powell County Fiscal Court
Alumni Dr. Shared Use Path - LFUCG
Citation Trail Phase 2 – LFUCG
Eugene Gay Splash Park - Palmer Engineering
River View Trail Expansion - City of Frankfort
Legacy Trail Extension: Section 1 Phase 1 - Scott County Fiscal Court
Partnering with Organizations in Black and Brown Communities to Sustain the
Creation and Utilization of Black Gold from High Solid - UK Research Foundation
Critical Materials from Coal Mine Waste - UK Research Foundation
Stochastic Analysis of Flyrock Events and Development of a Web-based Tool for Blasters
Training and Application - UK Research Foundation
Kentucky Fresh Harvest, LLC Refinancing of Short-Term Debt - Kentucky Fresh Harvest, LLC
AppHarvest Sewer Connection Project - Northern Madison County Sanitation District

There being no further business, Judge Wells asked for a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by James Caudill and seconded by Judge Williams. The meeting was adjourned at 5:50.