MINUTES BLUEGRASS ADD EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

DECEMBER 15, 2021

The Executive Committee met Wednesday; December 15 at the Bluegrass ADD office. Chair Judge Huston Wells called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. The following members were present:

Judge Orbrey Gritton	Anderson County	Mayor James Smith	Harrison County
Judge Mike Williams	Bourbon County	Judge David West	Jessamine County
Mayor Ed Burtner	Clark County	Mayor Robert Blythe	Madison County
Judge Donnie Watson	Estill County	Mike Sanford	Scott County
Chris Ford	Fayette County	Judge Steve Hamilton	Nicholas County
Judge Hudson Wells	Franklin County	Judge Joe Pat Covington	Scott County

Also, present Jared Hollon. A quorum was declared present.

Secretary Judge West directed the Board to pages 1-4 of the packet for the October Executive and October Quarterly Board meeting minutes and asked for approval. A motion was made by Mayor Blythe and seconded by Mayor Burtner to approve the report. The motion carried.

Tracey McGaughey was called on for the November Financial Report handed out to the members.

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

Judge Williams made a motion to approve the financial report. Mayor Blythe seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Next, was the Report on Investment. Ms. McGaughey went over the report with the board members and asked for any questions. A motion was made by Judge Gritton and seconded by Judge Covington to approve the report submitted. The motion carried.

Chair Judge Wells asked for approval for the Credit Card vouchers that were e-mailed to the members prior to the meeting for review. A motion was made by Judge West and seconded by Judge Williams to approve the vouchers. The motion carried.

Next, Mr. Duttlinger called on the Director of Aging, Community Planning and Workforce to give an update on their departments and informed the Board the Department updates were included in their packet.

Judge Wells called on Celeste Collins to report on the Area Agency on Aging and Independent Living Council. The Council held the Aging Advisory Council meeting via ZOOM on Wednesday, November 10. Council discussed the FY22 Relief Funding. AARPA funding has been allocated and will be available through 9/30/2024. The funding is allocated for the following program: Senior Centers Title IIIB; Meals Title IIIC; NFCSP Title IIIE; Health Promotion Programs (Evidence Based) Title IIID; and Ombudsman Title VII. There are restrictions as to how we can utilize the funding.

Bob Casher reported on the Area Water Management Council. Since a quorum was not present, Ms. Leverenz asked the speaker, Ms. Kenya Stump, to move forward with her presentation. Ms. Stump spoke on large scale solar in the state of Kentucky. She presented background information about solar and touched on why it is of particular interest in the state. The Kentucky Office of Energy Policy offers some very useful tools on its website (https://eec.ky.gov/Energy/Pages/Kentucky-Energy-Dashboard.aspx).

Ms. Stump also presented installation options that are available to large scale solar operations. There are currently 28 pending projects awaiting review at the Kentucky Electric Generation and Transmission Siting Board. Some other tools that may be useful to communities considering solar are available via the National Conference of State Legislatures (https://www.ncsl.org/research/energy/solar-policy-toolbox.aspx).

James Whisenhunt gave the Homeland Security Council report. The Homeland Security Council held its bimonthly meeting on October 20 via zoom. Mike Sunseri the Deputy Executive Director of Kentucky Office of Homeland Security (KOHS) and the administrator of the 911 Services Board was this month's guest speaker. Mr. Sunseri gave a brief overview of the roles and functions of the KOHS and the new direction of Kentucky's 911 system is moving from a coper-based system to an IP based.

Mike Riley was called on to give the Human Services Advisory Committee report. The Committee met October 29 via zoom. In connection with the Safe Communities Project currently under consideration by the Bluegrass Area Development District, Human Services Advisory Council. Ms. Eileen Levy, Executive Director of The Well of Lexington, visited the meeting via zoom to give some background on human trafficking, what her agency is doing to combat it, and what can be done additionally to help.

Bob Casher reported on the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Advisory Committee. The Committee met September 15 via zoom. Guest Speaker: Mr. Chuck Knowles, Second Street TIGER Project Manager, City of Frankfort presented on work that has been completed thus far on Frankfort's Second Street TIGER Project. He gave an overview of the various phases that were part of the project, reviewed phases that had been complete, were currently under construction and which ones were yet to be completed. He presented some great before and after photos of completed work and mockups of what things could potentially look like upon completion of future phase.

Mikaela Gerry gave the Regional Planning Council report. The Council met November 23 via zoom. ADD Staff Mikaela Gerry to introduce the Guest Speaker, Matthew Ruther, who is the Executive Director of the Kentucky State Data Center. Mr. Ruther made a detailed presentation about the demographics of the Bluegrass region using Census Data, American Community Survey Data, and Longitudinal Employer Household Dynamics data. He described the housing and population trends we are seeing in the region and provided a timeline for future data availability.

Bob Casher gave the Regional Transportation Committee report. The Committee met November 8 via zoom. ADD Staff Natalie Flores then presented on Transportation News and Updates. This presentation included information about the long-range transportation study being conducted by KYTC, an overview of the SHIFT process that was recently completed, changes in driver's licensing locations, transportation grant opportunities, transportation safety campaigns, and information about federal transportation legislation.

Lindsay Hoskins from QK4 then presented on the KY 52 planning study. This study looked at the safety concerns and roadway characteristics on KY 52 between Danville and Lancaster. Ms. Hoskins reviewed the crash data from this corridor which included accidents which resulted in property damage, roadway departures, injuries, and fatalities. Existing conditions, spot improvements, and low-cost safety improvements were also included in the study. The committee thanked her for her presentation and information about the ongoing study.

Logan Hart presented the Tourism, Historic Preservation and Recreation Advisory Committee report. The Committee met November 9 via zoom. Robin Antenucci mentioned that Frankfort is having their candlelight weekend during the weekend of November 11th-November 14th, holiday kickoff; Bailey Gilkerson discussed Small Business Saturday and that the Christmas Parade will be happening next weekend in Georgetown; Mayor Wagoner talked about their Holiday Celebration on December 4th for children; Ovie Hollon from Powell County then discussed the Meadowgreen Appalachia Music Park beginning their Bluegrass Music Saturdays; Stanton will have Christmas Parade 2nd week of December; Jane Vanhook in Lincoln County discussed Small Business Saturday on November 27th; Mayor Wagoner talked about Mustard Seed Hill in Millersburg and their Christmas celebration; Kendall Clinton from Lawrenceburg discussed the Boots and Bourbon Festival on November 20th. Light up Lawrenceburg on November 20th as well. Christmas Parade on December 4th. Getting a new distillery that will become the 3rd distillery in the city.

A motion was made by Judge Williams and seconded by Mike Stanford to approve the reports submitted. The motion carried.

Brad Hayes, RFH presented the FY21 Audit to the members. Mike Sanford informed the Board the Audit Committee reviewed and approved the Audit and to also recommend writing off previous year's unpaid dues. A motion was made by Judge Gritton and seconded by Judge Covington. The motion carried.

Next, Mr. Duttlinger informed the Board that the Bluegrass ADD has partnered with New Vista and the City of Richmond to pursue a five-million-dollar grant though EDA for a non-profit Recovery Housing project in Richmond. Staff recommendation is to use the balance of the Bluegrass ADF Regional fund, around \$149,000.00 to be used as a match to the application to EDA for the project. A motion was made by Mayor Burtner and seconded by Judge Gritton to approve staff recommendation. Motion carried.

Chair 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 Mayor Burtner and seconded by Judge Gritton to accept the KIRP's with staff or committee recommendation given. The motion carried.

Richmond/Madison County RHOAR Recovery Housing Initiative - City of Richmond

Kamp Kennedy Marina - Buoy, LLC

DR4592 Perryville City Hall Generator Initiative - City of Perryville

DR4595 LFUCG Streets & Roads Generator Initiative - LFUCG

DR4595 Versailles Water Intake Generator - City of Versailles

DR4595 Woodford County Siren Modernization Initiative - Woodford County Fiscal Court

DR4595 Versailles WTP Generator - City of Versailles

DR4595 Perkins Ashcraft Elevation - Madison County Fiscal Court

Lextrans Maintaining a State of Good Repair Project - Transit Authority of LFUCG

City of Stanford Waterworks-New Maintenance Facility - Stanford Waterworks

Bluegrass Multimodal Freight Improvement Project - R.J. Corman Railroad Group LLC

Kentucky River Foothills 2022 S-F Homebuyer Application - Kentucky River Foothills

Frankfort Wayfinding Signage - City of Frankfort

Franklin County Service Area-Radio Read Meter Replacement - US 60 Water District

Pea Ridge Road Booster Pump Station Replacement - US 60 Water District

There being no further business, Chair Judge Wells asked for a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by James Caudill and seconded by Judge West. The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.