

MINUTES
BLUEGRASS ADD
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

FEBRUARY 23, 2022

The Executive Committee met Wednesday, February 23 at the Bluegrass ADD office. Chair Mayor James Smith called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.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	Mike Sanford	Mercer County
Chris Ford	Fayette County	Judge Steve Hamilton	Nicholas County
Judge Huston Wells	Franklin County	James Caudill	Powell County
Ken Parsons	Garrard County		

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

Secretary Mike Sanford directed the Board to pages 1-5 of the packet for the January Joint Board of Directors and Executive Committee 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.

Treasurer, Judge West was called on for the January 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 Hamilton made a motion to approve the financial report. Judge Williams 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 James Caudill and seconded by Judge Williams to approve the report submitted. The motion carried.

Chair Mayor Smith 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 Wells and seconded by James Caudill 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.

Celeste Robinson was called on to give the Area Agency on Aging and Independent Living Council report. The Council met January 12 via zoom. The 3-year Area Plan is being worked on. A big piece for planning is the "Regional Community Needs" survey. It is the driving force for information and to be better able to develop the Area Plan. The survey needs to be completed before the end of January. The "Regional Community Needs" survey information has been distributed to the Senior Centers and is posted on the Aging website at www.bgaail.org. The link will be turned off

at the end of January. Any age group can complete the survey – data from all age groups and facets of the community is needed. The more diverse information collected will make the area plan more dynamic.

Karyn Leverenz gave the Area Water Management Council report. The Council met January 21 via zoom. Ms. Leverenz opened the floor to reports from Council Members and discussion about how supply chain delays and price increases have affected projects. She gave some examples provided by Charlie Martin.

Wolf Run Trunks D&E project shutdown for 80 days due to the lack of PVC pipe.
Liberty Road Trunk competitively bid but contractor submits a PVC pipe material price increase \$160,000 higher than bid ... before the contract is even signed!
89% increase in PVC pipe cost above bid price.

Other issues mentioned included:

Incorrect/incomplete project profiles and budgets

Delays in receiving ordered materials

How are loan increase requests being handled by KIA – will any allowances be made

How are loan increases affecting rates – especially for projects that are serving low-income households

Will there be any regulatory relief

Should utilities partner with each other to stockpile materials and share stored materials costs

Next, Karyn Leverenz reported on the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Advisory Committee. The Committee met January 19 via zoom. The guest speaker was Tony Miller, Metric Environmental, LLC. Tony specializes in all aspects of mitigation banking - from finding sites, negotiating with regulators, and monitoring to overseeing design/construction to ensure proper habitat rehabilitation and has facilitated multi-disciplinary environmental projects that incorporate state and federal regulations as well as civic and public interaction.

Mikaela Gerry gave the Regional Planning Council report. The Council met January 25 via zoom. Bluegrass ADD staff, Natalie Flores Esquivel made a detailed presentation about the draft Six-Year Highway Plan. She discussed the projects in the Draft Plan and described the Infrastructure Bill and the new funding sources that would be available as a result.

Natalie Flores-Esquivel gave the Regional Transportation Committee report. The Committee met January 10 both via zoom and at the Bluegrass ADD office. The Committee discussed Annual work plan updates. The committee was sent and asked input on the committee membership list which was sent to them prior to the meeting. The committee also reviewed the Scenic Byway which had been submitted to KYTC in December and the Truck Parking Locations deliverable. ADD Staff Natalie Flores has received some comment on the truck parking locations deliverable from RTC members, including the need to update the hospital locations shapefile that was used for the truck parking locations map.

Shane New reported on the Tourism, Historic Preservation and Recreation Advisory Committee. The Committee met January 11 via zoom. Nancy Turner of Winchester reported that they were planning their year's events and had already scheduled an event for February 15th. Winchester is also undergoing a Strategic Planning process for their Tourism Department. Phillip Seyfrit of Madison County reported that there is an All-A Basketball tournament being held in January. Natalie Flores-Esquivel presented new ideas for Wayfinding and event markers for cities that are preparing to advertise their events.

A motion was made by Mayor Burtner and seconded by Judge West to approve the Committee and Councils reports submitted. The motion carried.

Greyson Evans wanted to inform the board about our planning for our Economic Development presentation to Governor Beshear. The Bluegrass ADD staff worked with local ED Directors to democratically select projects to be included in BGADD's economic development initiative presentation. The purpose of the special called meeting was to develop a presentation regarding economic development funding requests to present to Governor Beshear and KCED. Presentations were given on county-by-county industrial development funding needs by the following BEDAC representatives. A motion was made by Judge West and seconded by Judge Wells to approve the economic projects to present to ED Cabinet and Governor. The motion carried.

Next, Mr. Duttlinger informed the board updates on the ARPA funds and the Joanie Bernard project could be found in their packets.

Mr. Duttlinger wanted to invite the board to attend the National Association of Development Organization and Development District Association of Appalachia being held in Washington on March 13 through 16. A motion was made by James Caudill and seconded by Judge Wells for Mr. Duttlinger and one addition staff and board to attend the conference. The motion carried.

Chair Judge Mayor Smith 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 James Caudill to accept the KIRP's with staff or committee recommendation given. The motion carried.

Paris Water System Improvements - City of Paris
South Benson Road Service Reconnections & Meter Reno - Farmdale Water District
CV CHDO 2022 Homebuyer Acquisition/Rehab/Resale - Community Ventures Corporation
Bamboo Farming as a Cash Crop in KY - Panda Company
Frankfort Sewer Department FSD Prevention Park Pump Station Replacement - City of Frankfort

There being no further business, Chair Mayor Smith asked for a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by Judge Gritton and seconded by Judge West. The meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.