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#### GRADD BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING

TO:

Members, Representatives, and Associates of the Board of

Directors of the Green River Area Development District

FROM:

Office of the District

SUBJECT:

Minutes of the Board of Director's General Membership Meeting of

December 11, 2018

The Board of Directors of the Green River Area Development District (GRADD) held a general membership meeting on December 11, 2018, at 12:00 p.m. The meeting was held at the International Bluegrass Music & Museum, in Owensboro. A quorum was present with members in attendance as listed below.

# **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

DAVIESS COUNTY:

Al Mattingly, Jr., Robert Howard, Helen Mountjoy, Greg Beyke

HANCOCK COUNTY:

None present

**HENDERSON COUNTY:** 

Brad Schneider, Steve Austin, William Markwell, David Sellers

McLEAN COUNTY:

Kelly Thurman, Betty Howard

OHIO COUNTY:

David Johnston, Paul Sandefur, Dean Minton

UNION COUNTY:

Adam O'Nan, Melissa Coker

WEBSTER COUNTY:

Steve Henry, Pat Clark, Ryan Hammack

#### COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS PRESENT

Green River Area Council on Aging – Susan Howard Green River Transportation Committee – (Steve Henry)

# **BOARD OF DIRECTORS ABSENT**

DAVIESS COUNTY:

\*Henrietta Harris, \*Nate Pagan

HANCOCK COUNTY:

Jack McCaslin, \*Barbara Spencer, \*Franklin Powers

HENDERSON COUNTY:

\*Thomas Platt

McLEAN COUNTY:

\*Charles Strole
All present

OHIO COUNTY: UNION COUNTY:

\*Gary Vetter

WEBSTER COUNTY: All present
David Johnston, Chairman Brad Schneider, Vice Chairman All Mattingly, Jr., Secretary Steve Henry, Treasurer Jiten Shah, Executive Director







# COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS ABSENT

Green River Workforce Development Board – \*Karen Cecil GRADD Water Management Council – \*Paul Lashbrooke Green River Economic Development Corporation – \*Tammy Belt Green River Regional Health Council – Blaine Pieper

### GUESTS AND STAFF PRESENT

Amelia Wilson, Congressman James Comer's Office

Rebecca Rittenhouse, Department for Local Government

Timothy Gilliam, Senator Mitch McConnell's Office

Patsy Mayfield, City of Whitesville

Jody Flener, Ohio County Tourism

Vicki Hughes, City of Island

Bill James, Hunter Douglas

Barry Isbill, Sterret Crane

Patty Sellers, City of Robards

Jiten Shah, Executive Director, GRADD

Jodi Rafferty, Associate Director for Workforce Development, GRADD

Jennifer Williams, Associate Director for Aging & Social Services, GRADD

Joanna Shake, Associate Director for Community & Economic Development, GRADD

Debra James, Associate Director of Finance & Administration, GRADD

Tom Massie, IT Manager, GRADD

Kim Wells, Executive Assistant/Communications Manager, GRADD

Dave Clark, AmeriCorps Director, GRADD

Jeanette Woodward, Program Coordinator, GRADD

Kristy Clark, Lead Case Manager/CCC Program, GRADD

Lisa Flahardy, Aging Contract Specialist, GRADD

Janet Clancy, In-Home Services Manager, GRADD

DeLanie Puckett, Case Manager, GRADD

Jill Gray, Workforce Development Administrator, GRADD

Mariah Myres, Fiscal Manager, GRADD

Cheryl Peters, Accounting Clerk, GRADD

Beth Ferguson, Accounting Clerk, GRADD

Reence Fogle, Payroll Coordinator, GRADD

Charity DeHart, CDO Financial Manager, GRADD

Britany Ammon, CDO Finance Assistant, GRADD

Gina Boaz, Regional Transportation Planner, GRADD

Skyler Stewart, Public Administration Specialist/Loan Manager, GRADD

Jennifer Marks, Housing and Special Projects Director, GRADD

Madison Haycraft, Community Development Planner, GRADD

Cyndi Isbill, Support Services Technician, GRADD

Libby Watson, Support Services Technician, GRADD

Donna Conley, Receptionist, GRADD

<sup>\*</sup>Excused Absence

Jessica Burk, Case Manager, GRADD Brenda Smith, Case Manager, GRADD Ken Lawson, NCOA Outreach Specialist, GRADD

### I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Kelly Thurman called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. He asked everyone to join him in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Thurman called on Jiten Shah to make guest introductions.

### II. OLD BUSINESS

## A. <u>Secretary's Report</u>

Secretary Brad Schneider presented the minutes of the October 10, 2018, GRADD Board of Directors' meeting for approval.

A motion was made by Brad Schneider and seconded by Al Mattingly, Jr., to approve the minutes of the October 10, 2018, GRADD Board of Directors' meeting. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

Secretary Brad Schneider presented the minutes of the November 7, 2018, GRADD Executive Committee meeting for approval.

A motion was made by Brad Schneider and seconded by Steve Austin to approve the minutes of the November 7, 2018, GRADD Executive Committee meeting. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

### B. Treasurer's Reports

Treasurer Al Mattingly, Jr., presented the treasurer's report for the periods of July 1, 2018 – September 30, 2018, and July 1, 2018 – October 31, 2018.

A motion was made by Al Mattingly, Jr., and seconded by Brad Schneider to approve and file the treasurer's report for the periods of July 1, 2018 – September 30, 2018, and July 1, 2018 – October 31, 2018, which are subject to audit. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

## III. NEW BUSINESS

# A. Guest Speaker

Chairman Thurman introduced Chris Joslin, Executive Director of the International Bluegrass Music & Museum.

Mr. Joslin, along with other museum staff, played several Christmas songs and asked guests to join along.

Mr. Joslin also gave an overview of the museum and invited anyone who would like to attend the show on December 15, 2018, as his guest, please let him know. He also announced the performers for the 2019 ROMP line-up would be released on Friday, December 14, 2018.

# B. Frankfort and Washington Updates

Jiten Shah called on Tim Gilliam for an update from Senator Mitch McConnell's office. Mr. Gilliam reported the Senate has passed the Farm Bill, which includes Senator McConnell's hemp language. Also announced was the \$11.5 million federal grant awarded to the Owensboro Riverport Authority to help fund a widening project on Industrial Drive (Kentucky 331) between US 60 and Rinaldo Road.

Jiten Shah called on Amelia Wilson for an update from Congressman James Comer's office. Ms. Wilson reported Congressman Comer was happy to see the Farm Bill pass the Senate, as this bill provides certainty to farmers and provides tools for a more successful future in rural America. Ms. Wilson also asked everyone to say a prayer for her as she is having some medical issues.

Jiten Shah called on Rebecca Rittenhouse for an update from the Department for Local Government. Ms. Rittenhouse reported there will be a Child Welfare Summit on January 16, 2019, at Cardinal Stadium. Participants in the "Transformers of Child Welfare" event will focus on transforming child welfare in Kentucky.

# C. Fiscal Year 2018 Audit Approval

Treasurer Al Mattingly, Jr., reported the GRADD Executive Committee approved the Fiscal Year 2018 Audit at its November 7, 2018, meeting pending GRADD receiving the final approval from the Kentucky Auditor of Public Accounts, which has been received and was attached in the meeting packet. Treasurer Mattingly also commented there were some matters that arose during the audit which are an opportunity for strengthening internal controls and operating efficiency, but overall there were no significant findings in the audit.

A motion was made by Al Mattingly, Jr., and seconded by Steve Austin to approve the Fiscal Year 2018 Audit. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

# D. <u>Transportation Funding Resolution</u>

Steve Henry, Chairman of the GRADD Regional Transportation Committee, presented a resolution that, if adopted, would support legislation to modernize Kentucky's transportation funding mechanisms to include both an increase in existing resources and also consider alternative measures to generate revenues needed for maintenance and construction of all modes of transportation.

A motion was made by Al Mattingly, Jr., and seconded by David Johnston to approve the Transportation Funding Resolution. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

## E. Service Awards

Chairman Thurman presented GRADD employees Charity DeHart with a 10-year service award, Kristy Clark with a 15-year service award, and Cyndi Isbill with a 25-year service award. He thanked each of them for their service and dedication to GRADD.

# IV. INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVIEWS

Skyler Stewart presented the following Regional EOs:

Hawesville Sewer Plant Rebuild Project City of Hawesville KY201811261152

Fordsville Home Owner Rehabilitation Program
Audubon Area Community Services, Inc. KY201809131045

Nicky Hayden Apartments, LLC Clayton Watkins Construction KY201809121042

Henderson County Water District Scattered Lines Project Henderson County Water District KY201809071032

Morganfield Combined Sewer Separation Project Phase 3 City of Morganfield KY201809051029

Morganfield Combined Sewer Separation Project Phase 3 City of Morganfield KY201809051028

A motion was made by Adam O'Nan and seconded by Brad Schneider to recommend endorsement of the above-stated Regional EOs. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

# V. <u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>

## A. Chairman Comments

Chairman Thurman made the following comments:

- The Fiscal Year 2019 Conference travel schedule includes the following:
  - National Association of Regional Councils (NARC) National Conference of Regions - February 10 - 13, 2019, in Washington, DC;
  - National Association of Development Organizations (NADO)
     Washington Policy Conference March 18 20, 2019, in
     Washington, DC; and
  - NARC 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference June 9 12, 2019, in Omaha, NE.
- The GRADD Board of Directors meetings will be held on the following dates in 2019:
  - o February 13;
  - o April 10;
  - o June 12;
  - o August 14;
  - o October 9; and
  - o December 11.
- The Silver Bells Project is in full swing at the GRADD office. GRADD staff has been collecting items to fill "goody bags" for the residents of personal care homes in the GRADD region. If guests are interested in making a contribution to the project, please contact Sheila Howard at the GRADD office.

#### B. Executive Director Comments

Jiten Shah made the following comments:

- The Metropolitan Planning Commission's Participation Plan and the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) are out for public comment. Both documents can be found on the GRADD website at <a href="https://www.gradd.com">www.gradd.com</a>;
- Newly Elected Officials Training December 12 14, 2018, at the Downtown Louisville Marriott. The training is sponsored by the Department for Local Government, Kentucky Association of Counties, Kentucky County Judge/Executive Association; and the Kentucky Magistrates & Commissioners Association;
- The Kentucky League of Cities will hold its City Officials Academy January 16 - 18, 2019, in Lexington, and January 23 - 25, 2019, in Owensboro; and
- GRADD will also hold a Newly Elected Officials Training on January 9, 2019, at the GRADD office. More info coming soon.

## VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

# A. Green River Workforce Development Board

Jiten Shah reported the Green River Workforce Development Board met on November 7, 2018. Representatives from Henderson County Schools presented the Essential Workplace Ethics Program that will be used in their district. There was discussion regarding the Memorandum of Agreement for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program - Employment and Training. It was decided that the Local Elected Officials and the Workforce Board would not enter into such agreement.

## B. <u>GRADD Regional Transportation Committee</u>

Chairman Steve Henry reported the GRADD Regional Transportation Committee met on November 28, 2018. The committee elected officers for 2019 and passed a resolution in support of the modernization of Kentucky's transportation funding mechanisms.

# C. Green River Area Council on Aging

Chairperson Susan Howard reported the Green River Area Council on Aging Council met on December 4, 2018. The guest speaker was Betty Medley-Wallace, who works at Glenn Family Funeral Home. Ms. Medley-Wallace spoke about coping with grief during the holiday season. Provider reports and program updates were presented. Since the council had not met since August, the staff reported a very successful Senior Day Out during September, and an equally successful Senior Games in the Park during October. The Silver Bells Christmas project is in full swing and members were invited to donate and/or assist if they would like to do so. Jennifer Williams presented the service provider proposals for Senior Center/Supportive Services and for Catered Meals for Fiscal Years 2020, 2021, and 2022. She explained that these proposals have been reviewed by the Executive Committees of the GRADD Board and of the Aging Council and they recommended approval of the providers. With no competition, the council approved the recommendation to continue to contract with the current providers. Lastly, the Nominating Committee met prior to the council meeting, and submitted the 2019 slate of officers, which were approved by the council.

## VII. <u>Installation of Officers</u>

## A. Nominating Committee Report

Chairman Bill Markwell reported the GRADD Nominating Committee had met on December 10, 2018, and are recommending the following:

 2019 Slate of Officers for a one-year term beginning January 1, 2019, expiring on December 31, 2019:

Chairman Hon. David Johnston
Vice Chairman Hon. Brad Schneider
Secretary Hon. Al Mattingly
Treasurer Hon. Steve Henry

A motion was made by Bill Markwell and seconded by Helen Mountjoy to approve the recommendations for the 2019 slate of officers. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

 2019 GRADD Executive Committee for a one-year term beginning January 1, 2019, expiring on December 31, 2019:

Daviess Hon. Al Mattingly, Jr.

Robert Howard Henrietta Harris

Hancock Johnny "Chic" Roberts Henderson Hon. Brad Schneider

Thomas Platt

William Markwell

McLean Michael Burden
Ohio Hon. David Johnston
Union Hon. Adam O'Nan
Webster Hon. Steve Henry

A motion was made by Adam O'Nan and seconded by David Johnston to approve the recommendations for the 2019 GRADD Executive Committee. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

 The following has been nominated to serve as an Emeritus member for a two-year term ending December 31, 2020.

#### **Bob Howard**

A motion was made by Adam O'Nan and seconded by David Johnston to approve the recommendation for Emeritus member. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

 The following have been nominated to serve as chairman/chairperson for a one-year term ending December 31, 2019.

Green River Area Council on Aging - Susan Howard Green River Economic Development Corporation - Tammy Belt GRADD Regional Transportation - Judge/Executive Steve Henry GRADD Water Management Council - Pete Conrad Green River Workforce Board - Karen Cecil

Chairman Thurman thanked the following members for their leadership on the GRADD Board of Directors.

Hon. Jack McCaslin Hon. Charles Strole Hon. Greg Beyke Paul Lashbrooke Lindsay Jenkins

Chairman Thurman presented Mayor Greg Beyke with a small token of appreciation, as he was the only one present. The others will be mailed out to the out-going members.

At this time, Chairman Thurman asked the new slate of officers to come forward and be sworn in to their position.

New Chairman David Johnston presented out-going Chairman Kelly Thurman with a gavel plaque and thanked him for his leadership during his tenor on the GRADD Board of Directors.

#### VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

Brad Schneider, Secretary

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