



*Green River Area Development District*

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## GRADD BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S ANNUAL MEETING

TO: Members and Associates of the Green River Area Development District Board of Directors

FROM: Office of the District

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Board of Directors' Annual Meeting of September 13, 2023.

The Board of Directors of the Green River Area Development District (GRADD) held its annual meeting September 13, 2023, at 11:30 a.m. The meeting was held at McConnell Plaza, 407 West Veterans Boulevard, Owensboro, KY. A quorum was present with members in attendance listed below.

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

DAVIESS COUNTY:	Judge/Executive Charlie Castlen, Nate Pagan, Mayor Patsy Mayfield, Lauren Osowicz, Henrietta Harris
HANCOCK COUNTY:	Judge/Executive Johnny Roberts, Franklin Powers
HENDERSON COUNTY:	Judge/Executive Brad Schneider, Mayor Brad Staton, Mayor David Sellers, Bill Markwell
McLEAN COUNTY:	Judge/Executive Curtis Dame, Mayor Betty Howard, Vicki Hughes
OHIO COUNTY:	Judge/Executive David Johnston, Mayor Beau Wright, Mayor Paul Sandefur
UNION COUNTY:	Mayor Randy Greenwell
WEBSTER COUNTY:	Judge/Executive Steve Henry, Mayor Pat Clark, Ryan Hammack

### COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS PRESENT

Green River Economic Development Corporation - Tammy Belt  
GRADD Hazard Mitigation Council - Jeremy Moore  
Green River Area Council on Aging - (Henrietta Harris)  
GRADD Water Management Council - (Judge/Executive Johnny Roberts)  
Green River Workforce Development Board - Mickey Dunbar

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS ABSENT

DAVIESS COUNTY:	*Robert Howard
HANCOCK COUNTY:	*Mayor Chad Gregory
HENDERSON COUNTY:	*Janeth Nicolas
McLEAN COUNTY:	All present

\*Excused absence: Adam O'Nan, Chairman | Adam O'Nan, Vice Chairman | Johnny "Chic" Roberts, Secretary | Curtis Dame, Treasurer | Joanna Shake, Executive Director



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OHIO COUNTY: All present  
UNION COUNTY: \*Judge/Executive Adam O’Nan, \*Melissa Coker  
WEBSTER COUNTY: All present

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS ABSENT

Green River Transportation Committee - (\*Judge/Executive Adam O’Nan)

GUESTS AND STAFF PRESENT

GRADD welcomed guests from its seven-county region as well as from across the Commonwealth.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Steve Henry called the meeting to order at 11:45 a.m. and led with the Pledge of Allegiance. Mickey Dunbar opened the meeting with prayer.

II. OLD BUSINESS

A. Secretary’s Report

Secretary Johnny Roberts presented the minutes of the August 9, 2023, GRADD Board of Directors meeting for approval.

A motion was made by Johnny Roberts and seconded by Randy Greenwell to approve the minutes of the August 9, 2023, GRADD Board of Directors meeting. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

B. Treasurer’s Report

Treasurer Curtis Dame presented the Treasurer’s Report for the period of July 1, 2022 – July 31, 2023.

A motion was made by Curtis Dame and seconded by Brad Schneider to approve the Treasurer’s Report for the period July 1, 2022 – July 31, 2023, which is subject to audit. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Revised Budget

Treasurer Curtis Dame presented the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Revised Budget for review and approval. The revision includes roughly \$3 million in additional adjustments through the H2O Program, traditional Aging program and the Waiver program. Expenses have been updated to reflect additions to contractual services and direct program expenditures. This increase is due to the additional funding in the Waiver Department and the H2O program.

A motion was made by Curtis Dame and seconded by Johnny "Chic" Roberts to approve the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Revised Budget. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

#### IV. CHAIRMAN COMMENTS

Chairman Steve Henry thanked the following for their time and efforts to make the event possible:

- Jeff Boling for supplying the sound equipment.
- A Special Event Rental.
- Maria Kelly "Nonas" Catering; and
- Special thank you to the Annual Events Committee: Mariah Myres, Beth Ferguson, Jill Gray, Tiffany Corsey, Kyndall Wolf, Dana Garrett, and Kim Wells.

Chairman Steve Henry also thanked GRADD board member Lauren Osowicz for assisting the committee with the flower arrangements.

Chairman Steve Henry announced GRADD and Webster County were the recipients of the 2023 Peggy Satterly Spirit of Kentucky Award at the Governor's Local Issues Conference. The award acknowledged the Lisman Workforce Complex project. The project offers technical education and certification for trades in the GRADD region. This project has allowed Madisonville Community College the opportunity to expand its class sizes for the CDL, utility lineman and newly created diesel mechanic programs.

Joanna Shake explained the award's namesake, Peggy Satterly, served the Commonwealth of Kentucky for 48 years and worked with 11 gubernatorial administrations. She added that Peggy Satterly was regarded as an outstanding public servant.

#### V. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR COMMENTS

Joanna Shake provided an overview of the 2024 Impact Reports summarizing the district's projects and programs and showcasing GRADD's commitment to sustainability and advancement of the region. Mrs. Shake also congratulated Jennifer Williams on her upcoming retirement. She thanked Mrs. Williams for her 32 years of service to GRADD and her unwavering commitment to the elderly population.

#### VI. LUNCH

#### VII. SPONSOR RECOGNITION

Chairman Steve Henry thanked Independence Bank for its continued dedication and support to GRADD and its many programs. He asked Nick Oller, Daviess County President to come forward and make remarks.

Nick Oller expressed Independence Banks appreciation for the opportunity to be a part of GRADD and the communities it serves. Mr. Oller also congratulated Jennifer Williams on her upcoming retirement.

Chairman Steve Henry also expressed an extended appreciation to GRADD's other valued partners Atmos Energy, Big Rivers, Five Star Food Service, River View Coal, OMU, and Phil Brown Insurance for their sponsorships.

#### VIII. AWARD PRESENTATION

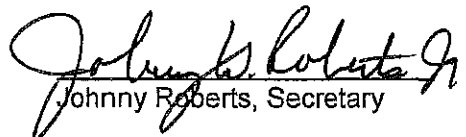
Chairman Steve Henry explained that in 2002, GRADD began a tradition of the GRADD Regional Leadership Awards Program. This program includes the prestigious Charles Reid Regional Citizenship Award, the Texal Brooks Regional Leadership Award, and the Wendell H. Ford Legislative Leadership Award. These awards provide GRADD with a valuable opportunity to honor some of the most effective leaders in the region and recognize their outstanding public service contributions aimed at enhancing the quality of life for its citizens. Additionally, it is the fourteenth presentation of the Community of the Year a city or county that has demonstrated exceptional innovation, directly benefiting its residents.

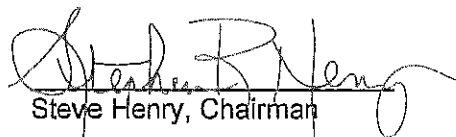
The following awards were presented:

- Nick Oller with Independence Bank presented the Charles Reid Regional Citizenship Award to Sonny Renfrow of Livermore.
- William "Buzzy" Newman with the City of Henderson presented the Texal Brooks Regional Leadership Award to GRADD Board member Franklin Powers.
- Chairman Steve Henry presented the Wendell H. Ford Legislative Leadership Award to Union County Judge/Executive Adam O'Nan.
- Judge/Executive Charlie Castlen with the Daviess County Fiscal Court presented the Community of the Year Award to the City of Henderson for their Inner-City Improvement Plan.

#### IX. ADJOURNMENT

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

  
Johnny Roberts, Secretary

  
Steve Henry, Chairman