



Green River Area Development District

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GRADD BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S 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' General Membership Meeting of January 11, 2023.

The Board of Directors of the Green River Area Development District (GRADD) held a general membership meeting on January 11, 2023, at 10:30 a.m. The meeting was held at the GRADD Office, 300 GRADD Way, Owensboro, KY. A quorum was present with members in attendance listed below.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

DAVISS COUNTY: Judge/Executive Charlie Castlen, Lauren Osowicz, Henrietta Harris

HANCOCK COUNTY: Judge/Executive Johnny Roberts, Mayor Chad Gregory, Franklin Powers

HENDERSON COUNTY: Judge/Executive Brad Schneider, Mayor Brad Staton, Mayor David Sellers, Janeth Nicolas, Bill Markwell

McLEAN COUNTY: Judge/Executive Curtis Dame, Mayor Betty Howard

OHIO COUNTY: Judge/Executive David Johnston, Mayor Beau Wright Vicki Hughes

UNION COUNTY: Judge/Executive Adam O'Nan, Mayor Randy Greenwell, Melissa Coker

WEBSTER COUNTY: Judge/Executive Steve Henry, Ryan Hammack

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS PRESENT

Green River Transportation Committee – (Judge/Executive Adam O'Nan)

Green River Workforce Development Board – Mickey Dunbar

Green River Area Council on Aging – (Henrietta Harris)

Green River Economic Development Corporation – Tammy Belt

GRADD Water Management Council – Pete Conrad

BOARD OF DIRECTORS ABSENT

DAVISS COUNTY: *Nate Pagan, *Robert Howard, Mayor Patsy Mayfield

*Excused absence

Steve Henry, Chairman | Adam O'Nan, Vice Chairman | Johnny "Chic" Roberts, Secretary | Curtis Dame, Treasurer | Joanna Shake, Executive Director



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HANCOCK COUNTY:	All present
HENDERSON COUNTY:	All present
McLEAN COUNTY:	All present
OHIO COUNTY:	*Mayor Paul Sandefur
UNION COUNTY:	All present
WEBSTER COUNTY:	*Mayor Pat Clark

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS ABSENT

All present

GUESTS AND STAFF PRESENT

Representative Suzanne Miles, Kentucky Representative
Representative DJ Johnson, Kentucky Representative
Mayor Cris Payne, City of Waverly
Corey Elder, Congressman James Comer's Office
Gilbert Mischel, Senator Mitch McConnell's Office
Chris Wooldridge, Murray State University
Jason Geary, City of Hartford
Joanna Shake, Executive Director, GRADD
Mariah Myres, Director of Finance, GRADD
Jennifer Williams, Director for Aging and Social Services, GRADD
Blake Edge, Director of Community & Economic Development, GRADD
Michelle Drake, Workforce Training and Business Administrator, GRADD
Andrew Rudkosky, Network Administrator, GRADD
Jessie Howard, Special Projects Coordinator, GRADD
Beth Ferguson, Accounting Clerk, GRADD
Reenee Fogle, Accounting Assistant, GRADD
Sarah Dowell, Fiscal Contracts Coordinator, GRADD
Marissa Haight, Waiver Finance Intern, GRADD
Leslie Wilson, Community Services Manager, GRADD
Kristy James, CCC/Family Engagement Coordinator, GRADD
Lisa Flahardy, Aging Contract Specialist, GRADD
Jeanette Woodward, Program Coordinator, GRADD
Amber Gebhard, ADRC Coordinator, GRADD
Tiffanye Corsey, Aging Case Manager, GRADD
Amanda Roth, Aging Assessor, GRADD
Dana Garrett, Community Development Planner, GRADD
Libby Watson, Administrative Assistant, GRADD
Kim Wells, Executive Assistant, GRADD

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Steve Henry called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m., led with the Pledge of Allegiance and Vice Chairman Adam O'Nan opened the meeting with prayer. Chairman Henry then welcomed all guests.

II. OLD BUSINESS

A. Secretary's Report

Secretary Johnny Roberts presented the minutes of the December 14, 2022, GRADD Board of Directors meeting for approval.

A motion was made by Johnny Roberts and seconded by Brad Schneider to approve the minutes of the December 14, 2022, GRADD Board of Directors meeting. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

Secretary Johnny Roberts presented the minutes of the December 14, 2022, GRADD Executive Committee meeting for approval.

A motion was made by Johnny Roberts and seconded by Bill Markwell to approve the minutes of the December 14, 2022, GRADD Executive Committee 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 – November 30, 2022.

A motion was made by Curtis Dame and seconded by Adam O'Nan to approve the Treasurer's Report for the period July 1, 2022 – November 30, 2022, which is subject to audit. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

Treasurer Curtis Dame reported the Fiscal Year 2022 draft audit presented at the December meeting did pass the State Auditor's office inspection and will be finalized with no findings. He congratulated Mariah Myers and her staff on a job well done.

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. 2023 Outlook

Chairman Steve Henry spoke about the importance of the Board being an advocate to local and federal legislators and to local partners. He challenged the members to be cheerleaders for the communities they represent and for GRADD to promote its programs and assistance to the region.

B. Committee Reports

1. Green River Economic Development Corporation (EDC)

Chairperson Tammy Belt presented the minutes of the November 2, 2022, Green River Economic Development Corporation.

A motion was made by Tammy Belt and seconded by Randy Greenwell to approve minutes of the November 2, 2022, Green River Economic Development Corporation. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

2. GRADD Water Management Council

Chairman Pete Conrad reported the GRADD Water Management Council met on December 15, 2022. At this meeting, the Nominating Committee recommended the following slate of officers: Eric Hickman, Secretary; Gary Sheffer, Vice Chairman; and Pete Conrad, Chairman. There were thirteen drinking water and four wastewater projects approved and the Fiscal Year 2023 Regional Rankings. Colie Smith presented findings in vulnerabilities of the systems in the GRADD region. Cheyton Pendley provided an update on the Cleaner Water Program and outlined the process to receive funds from the second round of Senate Bill 36 funding.

C. Child Abuse Prevention Programs

Kristy James gave an overview of the Community Collaboration for Children Program. This is federally funded and strives to prevent child abuse and neglect. A new component of the program focuses specifically on prevention of educational neglect, identified as excessive absenteeism, through Parent Engagement Meetings. These meetings utilize a strengths-based approach that provides parents the tools to create healthier, safer and more nurturing homes for the children.

D. Frankfort and Washington Updates

Gilbert Mischel gave an update from Senator Mitch McConnell's office. Mr. Mischel reported Senator Mitch McConnell made history last week as the longest serving United States Senator. Northern Kentucky recently welcomed President Joe Biden and Senator McConnell to Covington to celebrate the almost \$1.6 billion addition to the Brent Spence Bridge. This bridge is used by drivers to transport over 10-percent of the United States economic goods.

Corey Elder gave an update from Congressman James Comer's office. Mr. Elder reported the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission is suggesting a ban on gas stoves as they emit harmful indoor air pollutants. Congressman Comer is an advocate for domestic energy production and will be keeping a close eye on this matter. Congressman Comer is also looking for opportunities to curb wasteful government spending.

Representative Suzanne Miles reported Congressman Brett Guthrie will be visiting with newly elected officials specifically in McLean and Ohio Counties. Representative Miles noted this is a short session for legislators in Kentucky and one thing that will be discussed is juvenile justice as adjustments are needed across the State.

IV. INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVIEWS

Jessie Howard presented the following Regional Executive Orders:

Providence Sanitary Sewer Upgrades
City of Providence KY2022-1220-1559

Sturgis Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade
City of Sturgis KY2022-1209-1521

A motion was made by Adam O'Nan and seconded by Mickey Dunbar to approve the above-stated Regional Executive Orders. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

V. CHAIRMAN/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR COMMENTS

Joanna Shake made the following comments:

- Welcome new GRADD staff: Amanda Roth, Aging Assessor and Dana Garrett, Community Development Planner.
- Alex Caudill is in Frankfort today but did want to remind the board and elected officials of the Department for Local Government's upcoming county budget workshops: Wednesday, February 22, 2023 - Barren River Area Development District (ADD); Thursday, February 23, 2023 - Purchase ADD; and Friday, February 24, 2023 – Pennyrite ADD.
- Silver Bells delivery day was held on December 20, 2022. Goodies bags were delivered to 246 residents residing in personal care homes.
- Grant opportunities and a listing of legislators was distributed to each board member.

Chairman Steve Henry made the following comments:

- The Henderson Sports Complex Groundbreaking took place December 28, 2022. Phase one of the this estimated \$12 million sports complex will include four, 200-foot baseball and softball fields, one multi-purpose field, irrigation, a concession stand, a maintenance building and parking lot.
- The Kentucky County Judge/Executive Association Legislative Reception will take place on February 7, 2023, in Frankfort.
- The Kentucky Council of ADDs will hold its Legislative Breakfast on February 9, 2023, in Frankfort.

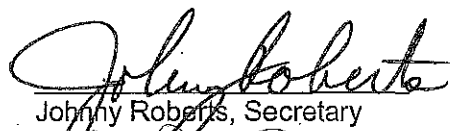
Chairman Steve Henry welcomed new board members Judge/Executive Charlie Castlen, Mayor Beau Wright, Mayor Brad Staton and Vicki Hughes.

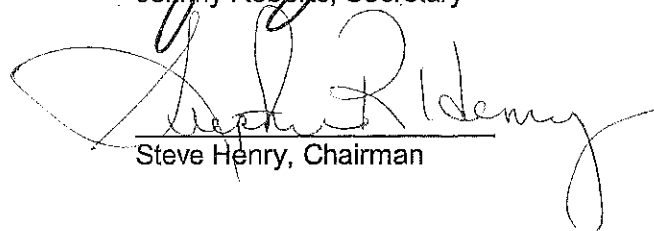
VI. OTHER BUSINESS

None.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

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


Johnny Roberts, Secretary


Steve Henry, Chairman