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GREEN RIVER AREA DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

TO:

Green River Area Development District Board of Directors

FROM:

Jiten S. Shah

Executive Director

SUBJECT:

Minutes of the GRADD Executive Committee - June 12, 2019

The Executive Committee of the Green River Area Development District (GRADD) met on Wednesday, June 12, 2019, at 9:00 a.m., at the GRADD office, in Owensboro, Kentucky. A quorum was present with the following members in attendance:

GRADD EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

DAVIESS COUNTY:

Al Mattingly, Jr.

HANCOCK COUNTY:

Johnny Roberts Brad Schneider

HENDERSON COUNTY:

William Markwell

McLEAN COUNTY:

Ed West

OHIO COUNTY:

David Johnston

UNION COUNTY:

Adam O'Nan

WEBSTER COUNTY:

Steve Henry

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

DAVIESS COUNTY:

*Henrietta Harris

*Robert Howard

HANCOCK COUNTY:

All present

HENDERSON COUNTY:

*Thomas Platt

McLEAN COUNTY:

All present

OHIO COUNTY:

All present

UNION COUNTY:

All present

WEBSTER COUNTY:

All present

David Johnston, Chairman Brad Schneider, Vice Chairman Al Mattingly, Jr., Secretary Steve Henry, Treasurer Jiten Shah, Executive Director





^{*}Excused absence

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GUESTS AND STAFF PRESENT

JC Young, Kentucky Magistrate & Commissioners Association
Jacob Mullikan, *Messenger-Inquirer*Jiten Shah, Executive Director, GRADD
Joanna Shake, Associate Director for Community & Economic Development, GRADD
Jennifer Williams, Associate Director for Social Services, GRADD
Jodi Rafferty, Associate Director for Workforce Development, GRADD
Debra James, Associate Director of Finance & Administration, GRADD
Kim Wells, Executive Assistant/Communications Manager, GRADD

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman David Johnston called the meeting to order and welcomed guests.

II. MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL

Secretary Al Mattingly, Jr., presented the minutes of the May 8, 2019, GRADD Executive Committee meeting for approval.

A motion was made by Al Mattingly, Jr., and seconded by Adam O'Nan to approve the minutes of the May 8, 2019, GRADD Executive Committee meeting. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

III. FINANCE REPORT

Treasurer Steve Henry presented the treasurer's report for the period of July 1, 2018 – April 30, 2019.

A motion was made by Steve Henry and seconded by Adam O'Nan to approve the treasurer's report for the period of July 1, 2018 – April 30, 2019, which is subject to audit. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Guest Speaker

Vice Chairman Brad Schneider introduced JC Young, Executive Director, Kentucky Magistrates & Commissioners Association (KMCA). Mr. Young gave a brief overview of the KMCA, which serves as a voice for all of Kentucky's fiscal courts. He went on to explain that he also serves as the executive director of the Kentucky Coal & Mineral County Coalition, which is a nonprofit organization that provides a forum for respective counties where coal and minerals are extracted. The Coalition mission is aimed at addressing issues and opportunities in those regions of Kentucky which are affected economically, socially, and environmentally.

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Mr. Young noted though Kentucky is the fifth largest producer of coal in the United States, there have been declines in coal severance dollars to counties due to additional federal government regulations, which make it harder to open new coal mines and harder for power plants to burn coal.

B. Fiscal Year 2020 Draft Budget

Treasurer Steve Henry reported the Finance Committee met on May 31, 2019, to discuss the FY 2020 Draft Budget. Treasurer Henry reviewed the revenues and also the expenditures which included a \$500 salary increase with a potential merit increase. He also explained the potential revenue sources for the coming fiscal year.

A discussion ensued on the total line item increase of three-percent, which includes salary increases for merit and/or salary adjustments. It was decided that the Finance Committee would reconvene to approve the final Fiscal Year 2020 salary schedule.

A motion was made by Al Mattingly, Jr., and seconded by Adam O'Nan to approve the Fiscal Year 2020 Draft Budget. A vote was taken and the motion carried with one opposed.

C. GRADD Annual Dinner Update

Vice Chairman Brad Schneider reported the Annual Dinner Committee had met on May 17, 2019, to discuss the 2019 annual dinner. He went on to say the committee decided on Monday, September 23, 2019, at the Beaver Dam Amphitheater. Slick Back BBQ will cater and in lieu of a guest speaker the committee chose to put major emphasis on the GRADD Regional Excellence Awards.

V. <u>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT</u>

Jiten Shah reported the Joint Funding Administration contract disbursements should be sent out the week of June 10, 2019, and the United States Economic Development Administration (EDA) has announced additional disaster relief funds are available.

Jiten Shah also reported he had been in contact with Chairman Johnston on the possibility of purchasing a new executive director vehicle as the one he is currently driving is a 2011 Tahoe with 185,000 miles, and in recent months there has been some costs in maintenance due to age and miles.

After a brief discussion, it was decided this request would be tabled until the July 10, 2019, meeting.

VI. <u>UPCOMING BOARD/EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS/SPEAKER</u>

Jiten Shah reported Ben Chandler, President/CEO, Foundation for a Healthy Kentucky will speak at the August 14, 2019, meeting and on October 9, 2019, there will be a Kentucky Wired Project update.

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VII. <u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>

Jiten Shah announced a ConnectGRADD, Inc., meeting would be held on Monday, June 17, 2019, at 1:30 p.m., at the GRADD office.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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

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