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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 – July 10, 2019

The Executive Committee of the Green River Area Development District (GRADD) met on Wednesday, July 10, 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. Henrietta Harris
HANCOCK COUNTY:	Johnny Roberts
HENDERSON COUNTY:	Brad Schneider William Markwell
McLEAN COUNTY:	Ed West
OHIO COUNTY:	David Johnston
UNION COUNTY:	Adam O’Nan
WEBSTER COUNTY:	None present


EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

DAVIESS COUNTY:	*Robert Howard
HANCOCK COUNTY:	All present
HENDERSON COUNTY:	All present
McLEAN COUNTY:	All present
OHIO COUNTY:	All present
UNION COUNTY:	All present
WEBSTER COUNTY:	*Steve Henry

*Excused absence

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

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GUESTS AND STAFF PRESENT

Stephen Cauffman, U.S. Department of Homeland Security
Dr. Sandra Pinel, U.S. Department of Homeland Security
Joe Kendall, U.S. Department of Homeland Security
Chandra Woolums, U.S. Department of Homeland Security
Nick Grinstead, Hazard Mitigation Grants Program Office, University of Kentucky
Jeremy Moore, Webster County Emergency Management
Jiten Shah, Executive Director, GRADD
Joanna Shake, Associate Director for Community & Economic Development, GRADD
Jennifer Williams, Associate Director for Social Services, GRADD
Debra James, Associate Director of Finance & Administration, GRADD
Blake Edge, Community Development Planner, GRADD
Tom Massie, IT Manager, 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 June 12, 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 June 12, 2019, GRADD Executive Committee meeting. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

III. FINANCE REPORT

Chairman Johnston presented the treasurer’s report for the period of July 1, 2018 – May 31, 2019.

A motion was made by Al Mattingly, Jr., and seconded by Adam O’Nan to approve and file for audit the treasurer’s report for the period of July 1, 2018 – May 31, 2019, which is subject to audit. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Guest Speakers

Vice Chairman Brad Schneider introduced Stephen Cauffman and Dr. Sandra Pinel from the Department of Homeland Security Cyber and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA).

Mr. Cauffman explained CISA is the nation's risk advisor, working with partners to defend against today's threats and collaborating to build more secure and resilient infrastructure for the future. The CISA would like to partner with GRADD and its Hazard Mitigation Committee to begin the framework and planning for infrastructure resilience in the region. The CISA would like to broaden the understanding of critical infrastructure and the increasing link between cyber and physical infrastructure, create a model for a strategic program at the local level that can be replicated on the national level, and integrate this program into the Hazard Mitigation Plan to reduce the cost of disasters.

Mr. Cauffman went on to say the scope of the initiative would be the risk of infrastructure failure during a technological, natural, or man-made disaster, in addition to infrastructure currently at risk of failure through natural causation; prioritization criteria, performance objectives, mitigation strategy, funding & finance tool, and interdependency of infrastructure lifelines and the cascading effect if one lifeline is damaged. Several positive comments were given on the initiative by the committee. It was suggested that as this partnership evolves that an update be given to the GRADD Executive Committee.

B. Intermediary Relending Program (IRP) – Livermore Fire Station

Jiten Shah reported the City of Livermore is requesting \$125,000 from the Intermediate Relending Program (IRP) to renovate the Livermore Fire Department.

A motion was made by Al Mattingly, Jr., and seconded by Adam O'Nan to approve the Livermore Fire Station Intermediary Relending Program loan in the amount of \$125,000. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

C. Regional 911 Initiative

Secretary Al Mattingly, Jr., opened a discussion to explore the possibility of GRADD's seven counties coming together to form a regional 911 agency. He explained this would not only help GRADD's counties with their 911 costs, but would show cooperation among the counties. Secretary Mattingly asked GRADD staff if they would survey the counties on how each administers their 911 departments; how much is spent on 911 in each county; possible location of a central 911 agency; and are there other multi-county 911 agencies across the state.

V. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Jiten Shah reported the post primary elections have kept all eyes on the upcoming general election talks. The Legislative Research Commission (LRC) interim joint committees are in full swing. GRADD staff continues to keep abreast of any impact on the Area Development Districts (ADDs) and its communities.

Mr. Shah went on to say there is still the possibility of a special session to tackle the pension cost challenge for some quasi government's agencies, such as district health departments.

The Area Development Districts are in the County Employees Retirement System (CERS) and will not have direct impact but it would still be a challenge in health services for the counties and region, if there is a drastic impact to the county/district health departments and services. Also, the LRC has created three working groups/task forces which the ADDs will be involved:

- LRC/ADD Interim Working Group – will study the operation and funding related to each ADD;
- LRC Infrastructure Taskforce – will study water and sewer systems; and
- LRC Alzheimer's and Dementia Workforce Taskforce – will have representation from vital agencies such as AARP, healthcare representatives, and also the ADDs.

VI. UPCOMING BOARD/EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS/SPEAKER

Board of Directors Meeting – August 14, 2019 – Mr. Ben Chandler, President/CEO
Foundation for a Healthy Kentucky

Board of Directors Meeting – October 9, 2019 – Holly Hopkins-Scoville
Kentucky Wired Project Update

Board of Director Meeting – December 11, 2019 – Dr. Jason Warren, President/CEO
Henderson Community College

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Johnston reported he would like the county judges to give an update on happenings in the counties to the GRADD Board of Directors. Vice Chairman Brad Schneider volunteered to give a Henderson update at the August 14, 2019, meeting. Chairman Johnston also noted he would like to bring back the judge/executive meetings. Vice Chairman Schneider also volunteered Henderson County for the first meeting.

Jiten Shah reported he is halfway through board member visits with more scheduled for late July and early August. He went on to say that most of the feedback from these meetings has been positive. Recommendations have included the GRADD Executive Committee should not meet the same month as the GRADD Board of Directors as the two meetings usually duplicate information.

Jiten Shah also reported that one of GRADD's employees was involved in a serious vehicle accident. Though the employee is doing great, the GRADD car they were driving has been totaled. It was suggested that GRADD look into a cross-over sport utility vehicle for a replacement.

Jiten Shah also announced:

- The GRADD Senior Games were held in Baker Park in Webster County on June 14, 2019. The one-day event had over 200 volunteers and participants; and
- Webster County Senior Services held a Ribbon Cutting & Open House for its new senior center on June 19, 2019.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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

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