



Green River Area Development District

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**GREEN RIVER AREA DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
HAZARD MITIGATION COUNCIL MEETING**

July 19, 2023
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The Green River Area Development District (GRADD) Hazard Mitigation Council met on Wednesday, July 19, 2023, at 1:00 PM at the GRADD office.

The following persons were in attendance:

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jeremy Moore, Webster County EM
Charlie Castlen, Daviess County Fiscal Court
Curtis Dame, McLean County Fiscal Court
Andy Ball, Daviess County EM
Joe Schepers, Regional Water Resources Association
Patsy Mayfield, City of Whitesville
Jamie Harkins, City of Providence
Ronda Moore Smith, City of Corydon
Betty Howard, City of Sacramento
Lee Baird, Union County EMA
Randy Norman, Webster County
Lance Wilson, McLean County Regional Water Council
Margaret Hibbs, Kentucky Department of Public Health
Holly Bohleen, Green River District Health Department
Alex Conn, Owensboro Municipal Utilities
Brad Bickett, Henderson Municipal Power
Trey Pedley, Owensboro Metropolitan Planning Commission
Samuel Lingerfelt, City of Henderson

GUESTS PRESENT

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| Nick Grinstead, KYEM | Katie Blan, OMPC |
| Amanda LaMaster, EEC | Rachel Foley, PADD |
| Sean Sheffer, Union County EMA | Blake Edge, GRADD |
| Melissa Coker, Union County EMA | Colie Smith, GRADD |

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



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Therese Payne, GRADD

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Jeremy Moore called the meeting to order at 1:02 PM and noted there was a quorum.

II. OLD BUSINESS

A. Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the March 23, 2023, meeting of the GRADD Hazard Mitigation Council were presented for approval.

A motion was made by Charlie Castlen and seconded by Patsy Mayfield to approve the minutes from March 23, 2022. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. Regional Energy Resilience

Amanda LeMaster, Energy Assurance and Efficiency Coordinator with the Kentucky Energy and Environment Cabinet, shared the goals of the Regional Energy Resilience Mitigation Project. They are to enhance the energy resilience and security of the Commonwealth; to improve community-level planning to maintain a secure energy supply; to establish an energy resilience baseline for backup energy requirements, resources, and fuel plans; and to mitigate the threat of long-term power or fuel disruption and maintain critical community lifelines.

Nick Grinstead, Planning Grants Manager and Program Coordinator with Hazard Mitigation Grants Program Office and the University of Kentucky Martin School of Public Policy and Administration, explained the purpose of the project, which is actually a scoping project. The purpose of conducting a scoping project is to identify future mitigation projects that will result in data collection and analysis intended to increase the capability of and build the capacity for local governments to propose and to complete project applications that either wholly or partially address power and general energy needs and infrastructure needs.

Colie Smith, GRADD Regional Resiliency Coordinator, explained GRADD will complete an energy survey to establish an energy resilience baseline for back-up energy requirements, resources, and fuel plans as GRADD's contribution to the Regional Energy Resilience Mitigation Project. The survey will be sent to emergency managers to be distributed

to critical facilities. GRADD will monitor responses and send weekly status updates to each county. He presented the following timeline for the project:

- 7/19/2023-Meeting #1 Project kickoff
- 7/20/2023-Survey opens
- 8/15/2023-Survey closes
- 9/1/2023-GRADD sends survey data sent to each county emergency manager
- 9/29/2023-Updated county data due back to GRADD
- 10/10/2023-Regional Energy Resilience data set completed
- October 2023-Meeting #2: Prioritization & Mitigation (date TBD)
- February 2024-GRADD Regional Energy Resilience Report Draft
- April 2024-GRADD Regional Energy Resilience Report Complete


Mr. Smith shared the project outcomes would be a regional energy resilience profile for the Office of Energy, county level energy resilience data for emergency managers and governments, and back-up power needs identified for future funding opportunities.

IV OTHER BUSINESS AND OPEN DISCUSSION

None

V. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Council, Andy Ball made a motion to adjourn that was seconded by Charlie Castlen. The meeting adjourned at 2:25 PM.


Jeremy Moore, Chair