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GREEN RIVER AREA DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

May 22, 2023 M-I-N-U-T-E-S

The Green River Area Development District (GRADD) Regional Transportation Committee (RTC) met on Monday, May 22, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. at the GRADD Office. A quorum was present with the following members in attendance:

MEMBERS PRESENT

Adam O'Nan, Union County Judge/Executive
Curtis Dame, McLean County Judge/Executive
Charlie Castlen, Daviess County Judge/Executive (Rep. by Mark Brasher)
David Johnston, Ohio County Judge/Executive (Rep. by Jason Burden)
Steve Henry, Webster County Judge/Executive (Rep. by Randy Norman)
Brad Schneider, Henderson County Judge/Executive (Rep. by Nick Stallings)
Brian Wright, Owensboro Riverport Authority
Tom Watson, City of Owensboro (Rep. by Kevin Collignon)
Donnie Mayton, Bicycle Owensboro
Jimmy VanCleve, Area 3 Training Center
Mike Baker, Hancock County Industrial Foundation
Brian Howard, Owensboro Metropolitan Planning Commission
Suzanne Craig, Green River District Health Department
Larry Tellman, Citizens Representative

MEMBERS ABSENT

Johnny "Chic" Roberts, Hancock County Judge/Executive
Missy Vanderpool, Henderson Economic Development
Deneatra Henderson, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) District Office 2
Tristan Durbin, Owensboro-Daviess County Regional Airport
Captain Brenton Ford, Kentucky State Police (KSP) – Post 16
Brad Staton, City of Henderson
Joanne Kendall, Minority Representative
Shelby Basham, Trucking Representative

Mark Calitri, Owensboro-Daviess County Convention Center & Visitor's Bureau Steve Henry, Chairman | Adam O'Nan, Vice Chairman | Johnny "Chic" Roberts, Secretary | Curtis Dame, Treasurer | Joanna Shake, Executive Director





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Dan Lanham, Audubon Area Community Services/Green River Intra-County Transit System (AACS/GRITS)

Candance Brake, President of Greater Owensboro Chamber

Charlotte Whittaker, Senior Citizens Representative

GUESTS AND STAFF PRESENT

Representative Jim Gooch, Kentucky House of Representatives
Representative Suzanne Miles, Kentucky House of Representatives
Nick Hall, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC), District Office 2
Keirsten Jaggers, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC)
Joanna Shake, GRADD
Blake Edge, GRADD
Leslie Wilson, GRADD
Taylor Burchett, GRADD
Tom Lovett, GRADD
Jennifer Alvey, GRADD
Colie Smith, GRADD
Therese Payne, GRADD

I. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u>

Chair Adam O'Nan called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m. and noted there was a quorum.

II. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

Chair Adam O'Nan presented the minutes of the March 27, 2023, meeting of the GRADD Regional Transportation Committee for approval.

A motion was made by Curtis Dame and seconded by Suzanne Craig to approve the minutes of the March 27, 2023, GRADD Regional Transportation Committee meeting. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

III. OLD BUSINESS

A. <u>Strategic Highway Investment Formula for Tomorrow (SHIFT) 2024</u>

Chair Adam O'Nan called on Taylor Burchett, GRADD's Regional Transportation Planner, to share projects for Strategic Highway Investment Formula for Tomorrow (SHIFT). The SHIFT is a six-year priority plan for transportation projects in the region.

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The projects include sponsorships from District 2 as well as GRADD sponsorships. The list is currently being scored at the state level; therefore, no action is necessary at this time.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. SHIFT Prioritization Plan

Taylor Burchett reported Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) has requested a draft of the SHIFT Prioritization Plan in past years but are not requiring a draft this year. Taylor Burchett provided a draft for the Committee's review, but it is not due to KYTC until September and will not need approval from the Committee until the next meeting.

B. <u>Electric Vehicles</u>

Taylor Burchett shared the QR code to the website for KYTC's electric vehicle (EV) website https://kyevcharging.com/. Ms. Burchett demonstrated the one stop shop website for Kentucky's plan for EV including funding, grants, charging stations, overall goals and objectives, etc.

V. <u>UPDATES</u>

A. Highway District Office Update

Nick Hall shared the following updates:

- Daviess County
 - Southern Oaks work will start once school is out
 - o KY 54 had no bids, will be re-let in June
 - Fairview/KY 54 in utility phase
 - o KY 1456/Thurston Dermont PL&G was held on April 19, 2023
 - Lyddane Bridge Let in summer/fall
- Hancock County
 - o KY 226 Let
- Henderson County
 - Watson Lane Utility phase; letting date may get pushed
- McLean County
 - KY 431/KY 240 getting ready for a utility kickoff meeting
 - o KY 56/KY 1233 ROW and utility funds have been requested
- Ohio County
 - KY 69 safety improvements will re-let in June
 - KY 54 in Fordsville working on getting Phase 2 design started
 - Drainage project Beaver Dam has been let
 - Ohio/McLean bridges Ohio portion will get let first. Right now, it looks like March 2024; McLean County to follow

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- Union County
 - o US 60 Public meeting was held on May 10, 2023
 - o US 56 Alternate review meeting will be held May 25, 2023
 - US 56 from KY 109 west of KY 360 Currently scheduled for an October 2023 letting (Judge O'Nan asked about)

B. Other Updates

Representative Jim Gooch shared sports betting, medical marijuana and other topics were discussed in the short session of the Kentucky General Assembly. Interim committees start in June. Representative Gooch reported there is a new Chair for the Budget for Transportation, and work is starting for the January session. He encouraged Committee members to contact him with concerns.

Representative Suzanne Miles reported Congressman Brett Guthrie has been watching some community projects, particularly Hwy 60 projects. She shared many current issues go hand in hand with transportation. Representative Miles is Co-Chair of the Multi-modal Freight Transportation System Improvement Special Committee and encouraged Committee members to reach out to her regarding rail, water, or air travel.

VI. OTHER ITEMS

A. Public Comments

Taylor Burchett shared she is a member of the Army Reserves and has been pulled for deployment with pre-mobilization in August and deployment to Kuwait in October. Another staff member will be taking over in her absence. Chair Adam O'Nan thanked her for her service and her hard work on the GRADD Regional Transportation Committee.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Suzanne Craig made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Curtis Dame.

Judge Adam O'Nan, Chair

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