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# GREEN RIVER AREA DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

November 27, 2019

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The Green River Area Development District (GRADD) Regional Transportation Committee (RTC) met on Wednesday, November 27, 2019, at 9:00 a.m. The meeting was held at the Green River Area Development District in Owensboro, KY. It was determined a quorum was present with the following persons in attendance:

### MEMBERS PRESENT

Steve Henry, Webster County Judge/Executive Curtis Dame, McLean County Judge/Executive David Johnston, Ohio County Judge/Executive (Rep. by Beau Wright) Steve Austin, Mayor, City of Henderson (Rep. by Doug Boom) Tom Watson, Mayor, City of Owensboro (Rep. by Kevin Collignon) Brian Howard, Owensboro Metropolitan Planning Commission (OMPC) Deneatra Henderson, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC), District Office 2 Brian Wright, Owensboro Riverport Authority Captain Brenton Ford, Kentucky State Police (KSP) – Post 16 (Rep. by Corey King) Jimmy VanCleve, Area 3 Training Center Donnie Mayton, Bicycle Owensboro Mike Baker, Hancock County Industrial Foundation

#### MEMBERS ABSENT

Al Mattingly, Jr., Daviess County Judge/Executive Adam O'Nan, Union County Judge/Executive Brad Schneider, Henderson County Judge/Executive Johnny "Chic" Roberts, Hancock County Judge/Executive Joanne Kendall, Minority Representative Dan Lanham, Audubon Area Community Services/Green River Intra-County Transit System (AACS/GRITS) Rob Barnett, Owensboro-Daviess County Regional Airport Charlotte Whittaker, Senior Representative

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







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> Candance Brake, Greater Owensboro Chamber Mark Calitri, Owensboro-Daviess County Convention Center & Visitor's Bureau Tony Iriti, Kyndle

#### **GUESTS AND STAFF PRESENT**

Nick Hall, KYTC District Office 2 Keirsten Jaggers, KYTC District Office 2 Kevin McClearn, American Engineers, Inc. Joanna Shake, GRADD Gina Boaz, GRADD Jennifer Alvey, GRADD Tom Lovett, GRADD

# I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Steve Henry called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. He welcomed everyone to the meeting.

# II. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

Chairman Henry offered the minutes of the September 25, 2019, meeting of the GRADD Regional Transportation Committee for approval.

A motion was made by Jimmy VanCleve and seconded by Donnie Mayton to approve the minutes of the September 25, 2019, GRADD Regional Transportation Committee meeting. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

#### III. OLD BUSINESS

None

#### IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Owensboro Riverport 2018 Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) Transportation Discretionary Grant

Kevin McClearn, Western KY Regional Manager, American Engineers, Inc., presented information on the KY 331 Industrial Drive widening BUILD grant. He stated the Owensboro Riverport had submitted applications for federal funding in 2016, 2017, and 2018 to widen Industrial Drive. In December 2018 they were awarded BUILD federal funding of \$11,520,000. The total project cost is \$14,400,000 with \$600,000 from KYTC, \$600,000 from the Cabinet for Economic Development, and the Owensboro Riverport providing \$1,680,000. The project will include lane widening, sidewalks, and the addition of a center turn lane added from Second Street to Medley Road. The project will also include reconstruction of two curves

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near Medley Road, combination of entrances for duplexes, removing of utility poles in the clear zone, two transport bus stops with pullouts, and shelters. Phase Two design work should begin in 2021 with construction planned for 2022.

#### B. 2020 Election of Officers

Mike Baker presented the recommendations of the nominating committee for the 2020 Election of Officers. The committee recommended the following nominations: Judge Steve Henry, Chairman; Brian Howard, Vice-Chair; and Donnie Mayton, Secretary.

A motion was made by Mike Baker and seconded by Jimmy VanCleve to accept the committee nominations. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

# C. Committee Membership

Gina Boaz provided a listing of current committee members and asked for recommendations for the vacant representatives being trucking, Community Based Services, and an interested citizen. Beau Wright noted that Tom Woods with the Ohio County Schools Transportation has retired. She asked that any suggestions or corrections be sent to her.

### V. <u>UPDATES</u>

# A. Highway District Office Update

Deneatra Henderson reported on the following projects:

Resurfacing projects across the district should be completed this week.

Daviess - US 60 near Oakford Rd., flooding project is open to traffic.

- US 431 guardrail replacement of end treatments and new striping is complete.

Hancock – US 60 westbound lanes widening is in the final design stage.

McLean - KY 81 bridge repair is completed and open to traffic.

 US 431 guardrail replacement of end treatments and new striping is complete.

- US 431 bridge at the McLean/Muhlenburg County line should be complete next fall.

Ohio — Western KY Parkway bridge project should be completed in December 2019.

Union -KY 359 bridge project should be open in December 2019.

Ms. Henderson introduced Keirsten Jaggers, new Public Information Officer for District Two. She stated that Keith Todd was previously covering both Districts One and Two and will now be only covering District One.

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# B. Other Updates

Gina Boaz reminded the committee of the upcoming Kentuckians for Better Transportation Conference in Lexington, January 15-17, 2020.

Judge Henry welcomed newly elected McLean County Judge Executive Curtis Dame to the committee.

Brian Wright informed the committee of a new KYTC Freight Study analyzing all the ports that will be completed in January 2021.

# VI. <u>OTHER ITEMS</u>

# A. Public Comments

None.

# VII. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

The next meeting is scheduled for February 26, 2020. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:58 a.m.

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