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**GREEN RIVER AREA DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT  
REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

February 26, 2024  
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The Green River Area Development District (GRADD) Regional Transportation Committee (RTC) met on Monday, February 26, 2024, 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  
Steve Henry, Webster County Judge/Executive (Rep. by Randy Norman)  
Charlie Castlen, Daviess County Judge/Executive (Rep. by Dirk Dooper)  
Tom Watson, Mayor, City of Owensboro (Rep. by Kevin Collignon)  
Brad Staton, Mayor, City of Henderson (Rep. by Doug Boom)  
Deneatra Henderson, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) District Office 2  
Larry Tellman, Citizens Representative

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Brad Schneider, Henderson County Judge/Executive  
Johnny “Chic” Roberts, Hancock County Judge/Executive  
David Johnston, Ohio County Judge/Executive  
Brian Howard, Owensboro Metropolitan Planning Commission  
Brian Wright, Owensboro Riverport Authority  
Donnie Mayton, Bicycle Owensboro  
Jimmy VanCleve, Area 3 Training Center  
Shelby Basham, Trucking Representative  
Suzanne Craig, Green River District Health Department  
Whitney Risley, Henderson Economic Development  
Tristan Durbin, Owensboro-Daviess County Regional Airport  
Charlotte Whittaker, Senior Citizens Representative  
Dan Lanham, Audubon Area Community Services/Green River Intra-County Transit System (AACS/GRITS)



**Steve Henry**, Chairman | **Adam O’Nan**, Vice Chairman | **Johnny “Chic” Roberts**, Secretary | **Curtis Dame**, Treasurer | **Joanna Shake**, Executive Director

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Mike Baker, Hancock County Industrial Foundation  
Captain Brenton Ford, Kentucky State Police (KSP) – Post 16  
Joanne Kendall, Minority Representative  
Mark Calitri, Owensboro-Daviess County Convention Center & Visitors Bureau  
Candance Brake, Greater Owensboro Chamber of Commerce  
Chris Stafford, Ohio County School Transportation

**GUESTS AND STAFF PRESENT**

Nick Hall, KYTC District Office 2  
Therese McGinnis, GRADD  
Jennifer Alvey, GRADD  
Tom Lovett, GRADD  
Therese Payne, GRADD

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Adam O’Nan called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m. and noted there was a quorum.

**II. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES**

Chair Adam O’Nan presented the minutes of the November 27, 2023, meeting of the GRADD Regional Transportation Committee (RTC) for approval.

A motion was made by Kevin Collignon and seconded by Larry Tellman to approve the minutes of the November 27, 2023, GRADD RTC meeting. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

**III. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Safe Streets 4 All Focus Roadways**

Chair Adam O’Nan called on Jennifer Alvey to request the Committee’s help in creating a Safety Action Plan for the Safe Streets 4 All Program. The Kentucky Transportation Center (KTC) sent GRADD a list of roadways in each county with the most serious safety issues. GRADD has not received data for cities but expects it to arrive very soon. The Focus Roadways Scoring Criteria was determined by KTC using data such as injured and fatal crash history, vehicular use, and spatial connectivity. Using the lists provided in the meeting packet, Ms. Alvey asked the Committee to review each county’s list to determine if any roads should be added or deleted. Chair O’Nan requested Committee members contact Ms. Alvey within ten days with any suggested changes to the lists.

**IV. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. 2024 Recommended Highway Plan**

Jennifer Alvey presented the Committee with a list of the transportation projects included in the 2024 Recommended Highway Plan. She explained the highway plan is currently in the legislative adjustments phase during the 2024 Session. The Final Highway Plan will be enacted by the Legislature in April 2024 and distributed in June 2024.

**B. Rail Freight Inventory**

Jennifer Alvey presented the Rail Freight Loading/Unloading Inventory list and asked Committee members if they knew of any changes. Chair O’Nan stated Dotiki is no longer active and should be taken off the list.

**C. Park-and-Ride Inventory**

Jennifer Alvey presented locations where people park and rideshare and asked the Committee for suggested changes. Chair O’Nan stated Red Hat Reality should be deleted from the list.

**D. Local Road Inventory**

Jennifer Alvey reminded Committee members to send any changes to local roads to her along with the meeting minutes indicating the changes. Each year, Ms. Alvey reaches out to four counties directly about newly constructed roads, newly adopted roads, extensions, name changes, pavement types, and any closures.

**V. UPDATES**

**A. Highway District Office Update**

Deneatra Henderson explained the current 2024 Recommended Highway Plan is the Governor’s priority. She explained during this phase of the process, there are essentially three different plans. The House Plan will be different from the Recommended Highway Plan, and the Senate Plan will be different from the House Plan. All plans go to committee in April.

**B. Other Updates**

Jennifer Alvey shared information about the Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) Program, which provides funding for broadband in unserved and underserved locations. GRADD has been tasked with reviewing the state’s broadband fabric map and identifying these locations.

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GRADD will be setting up meetings in every county to identify any discrepancies or “challenges.” Challenges will be submitted through the Challenge Portal when it opens in the coming months.

VI. OTHER ITEMS

A. Public Comments

None

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Curtis Dame made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Dirk Dooper. The meeting adjourned at 1:41 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Adam O'Nan", is written over a horizontal line.

Judge Adam O’Nan, Chair

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