

**MINUTES
OF THE
KRADD REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION
& SAFETY PLANNING COMMITTEE
October 15, 2009 - 1:00 PM**

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Categorized by representation (asterisk denotes members present):

City/County Government

Mayor Mike Miller - City of Jackson
Mayor Janice Jarrell - City of Hindman
Mayor Scott Cornett - City of Pippa Passes
Mayor Joseph Kash - City of Beattyville
Mayor Lonnie Hendrix - City of Hyden
Mayor James Craft - City of Whitesburg
Mayor Charles Dixon - City of Jenkins*
Mayor Susan Polis - City of Fleming-Neon
Mayor Charles Long - City of Booneville
Mayor William D. Gorman - City of Hazard
Mayor Veda Wooton - City of Buckhorn
Mayor Ernest Back - City of Vicco
Mayor Edward G. Campbell - City of Campton
Judge H. Jason Richardson - Breathitt County
Judge Randy C. Thompson, Vice Chairman - Knott County
Judge Steve Mays - Lee County*
Judge Jimmy Sizemore - Leslie County
Judge Jim Ward - Letcher County*
Judge Cale Turner - Owsley County
Judge Denny Ray Noble - Perry County
Judge Raymond Hurst, Chairman - Wolfe County*

Emergency Services

Captain Jerry Bailey - KSP Post 13
Lt. Blake Slone - KSP Post 7*
Captain David Marcum - KVE Post 7
Chief Jeff Noble - Jackson PD
Chief Randall Combs - Hyden PD
Chief Ronnie Bryant - Hazard PD
Sheriff Ray Clemons - Breathitt County
Sheriff Paul Howard - Leslie County
Sheriff Les Burgett - Perry County
Sheriff Henry Dunn - Wolfe County
Chief Roger Friley - Jackson FD*
Chief Jerry Harris - Wolfe Volunteer FD
Chief Sam Stacy - Hazard FD
Chris Hecker - EM

Gerri Howard -Kentucky River Medical Center
Sara Napier, Hazard ARH

Public & School Transportation

Michael Woods - LKLP
Superintendent Kimberly King - Knott BOE
Superintendent Sandra Johnson -Hazard Independent

Local Roads

Ferrell Wise - Lee Road Department*

Economic Development

Freddie Combs - Coal Fields Industrial Authority
Dr. Allen Goben - Hazard Community and Technical College
James McDannel - Southeast KY Community and Technical College*

Planning and Zoning

BJ Ewen - City of Hazard

Citizen Members

Hiram Cornett - Leslie Citizen *
Steve Damron - Letcher Citizen *
Jack Burkich - Letcher Citizen *
Rev. John Pray- Perry Citizen
Roger Milligan - Wolfe Citizen

KYTC District Staff

Craig Lindon - KYTC/HDO 10
Jason Blackburn - KYTC/HDO 10*
Corbett Caudill - KYTC/HDO 10*
Adam Knuckles - KYTC/HDO 11*
Joseph Mosley - KYTC/HDO 11
Mary Westfall-Holbrook - KYTC/HDO12
Willard Cuzzort - KYTC/HDO 12*

KRADD Staff

Paul Hall - KRADD Executive Director*
Eunice Holland - KRADD Transportation Planner*
Angelia Smith - Safety Coordinator

Guest

Steve Parker - Deputy Commissioner, Department of Aviation*
Lesli Gill - CVADD Transportation Planner*

CALL TO ORDER

The KRADD Regional Transportation and Safety Planning Committee meeting was called to order at 1:15 PM by Transportation Planner Eunice Holland. She welcomed those in attendance and stated that Chairman Judge Hurst will be late and asked for us to begin the meeting without him.

GUEST SPEAKER

Mrs. Holland introduced Deputy Commissioner Steve Parker. Steve served 29 years in the United States Air Force and retired in 2000 as a Colonel. He has combat experience in Vietnam, Arab-Israeli War, Grenada, Panama, Persian Gulf, and Bosnia. He is currently the Deputy Commissioner, Department of Aviation and also Adjunct Professor at UK teaching in the communications department.

Mr. Parker began by asking the audience to introduce themselves. The highlights of his presentation are as follows:

- ❖ Department of Aviation takes care of 60 Airports in Kentucky (2 in the KRADD Region - Hazard & Jackson); 3 big ones are Louisville, Cincinnati -Northern Kentucky, and Lexington
- ❖ Department of Aviation licenses private airstrips: 105 in Kentucky - 100 grass/turf runways
- ❖ License heliports: 58 in Kentucky - most private and located at hospitals (2 private in the KRADD Region)
- ❖ Aviation Education Program: 100 teachers each summer attend a program training them on how to teach math, science, and physics using aviation concepts and principles. The target grades are 5-10
- ❖ Airport Directory (handout) - provide photos and information on each of the 60 airports
- ❖ KY Aeronautical Chart (handout) - Map of frequency and height of cell phone towers for pilots, artwork of KY Aviators
- ❖ Lexington Airport houses the KY Aviation Museum
- ❖ Airports are important:
 - Economic Development Magnets - Toyota's location was based on the closeness to the Lexington and Georgetown Airports
 - Disaster Assistance - National Guard utilized local airports for assistance during the recent ice storm in Western KY
 - Tourism and Recreation - State Parks located close to Airports have an advantage
 - Fish & Wildlife - count animals such as deer, elk, ducks, coyotes, bears
 - Law Enforcement - transport prisoners and marijuana eradication
- ❖ Hazard - Wendell H. Ford Regional Airport - 5,500 foot runway, over 40 business hangers
- ❖ Jackson - Julian Carroll Airport - 4,400 foot runway, needs to get more business, new fuel system installed recently
- ❖ The Department has spent millions on fencing for most Eastern KY Airports due to animals and ATVs

- ❖ Letcher Airport - Federal funding has been approved to build the airport, location has been selected near the Knott/Letcher County line, cost is expected to be \$10-\$15 million, 95% Federal monies, the problem is land acquisition: federal money can not be used to purchase land, state and local funds are depleted and cannot purchase the land right now. Once the land has been procured the airport will begin construction.

BUSINESS

- ❖ Jim McDannel made the motion to approve the Minutes from the April 22, 2009 and August 13, 2009 meetings. The motion was seconded by Mayor Charles Dixon. Motion carried. The Minutes are on file in the KRADD office.
- ❖ The Committee Goals & Objectives and Committee By-Laws were reviewed at the August meeting. The following changes were made to the By-Laws: meeting frequency to once per quarter, meeting time to 1pm, addition of new officer: Secretary. There were no changes to the Goals & Objectives. Judge Jim Ward made the motion to approve both documents for FY 2010. Mayor Charles Dixon seconded the motion. Motion carried. Eunice will submit the documents to the Cabinet as requested
- ❖ A Prioritization Brochure was presented. Eunice indicated that the brochure listing the priorities as assigned by the committee in FY 2009 will also be presented to the legislatures to aid in the decision making process for the 6 Year Road Plan during the upcoming General Assembly.

OTHER BUSINESS

There were no requests.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business the meeting, Jim McDannel made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Judge Jim Ward seconded the motion. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 2:17 PM