

*MINUTES
of the
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
of the
KENTUCKY RIVER AREA DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
Meeting Conducted by Hybrid
February 28, 2024
12:30pm*

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Judge Jeff Noble, Secretary, called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION

Judge Jeff Noble, Secretary, gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Judge Jeff Noble, Secretary, led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL OF ROLL

Judge Jeff Noble, Secretary, called the roll with the following members present:

- BREATHITT** - *Judge Jeff Noble, Secretary
Mayor Laura Thomas
Mr. Drewey Lovins
Ms. Susan Harley*
- NOTT** - *Mayor Trish Hall
Mayor Scott Cornett
Mr. Larry Perkins*
- LEE** - **Mr. Everett Marshall, DR for Judge Steve Mays
Mayor Scott Jackson
Ms. Jessica Butler
Mr. David Lyons*
- LESLIE** - **Ms. Jennifer Laura Bowling, DR for Judge William Lewis
Ms. Eugenia Stewart Napier*
- LETCHER** - *Judge Terry Adams
Mayor Tiffany Craft
Mr. Fred Hall*
- OWSLEY** - *Judge Zeke Little, Jr.
Mayor Nelson Bobrowski*
- PERRY** - *Mr. Lonnie Brewer, Treasurer
Mr. Gregory Whitson*
- WOLFE** - *Mayor Kathi May
Ms. Pam Pilgrim*

Quorum verified by Judge Jeff Noble, Secretary: Twenty-two (22) members present with eight (8) counties represented, therefore, meeting commenced. (*Denotes Designated Representative or Proxy.)

KRADD Staff -

*Ms. Michelle Allen, Executive Director
Ms. Kimberly Coomer, Associate Director of Finance
Ms. Stacie Noble, Associate Director of Human Services
Ms. Jessica Leedy, Title V Coordinator
Ms. Autumn Mullins, Homecare Case Manager
Ms. Angela Robbins, PDS Advisor/Caregiver Coordinator
Ms. Jennifer McIntosh, Associate Director of Community & Ec. Development
Ms. Jessica Epperson, Regional Disaster Coordinator
Ms. Kimberly Sapp-Allen, Office Manager
Ms. Melissa Brewer, Community and Economic Development Planner
Mr. Trevor Pollard, Community and Economic Development Planner
Mr. Scott Melton, Transportation Planner
Ms. Lisa Napier, Infrastructure Coordinator
Ms. Megan Stepp, GIS Specialist
Ms. Kaitlin Slone, Assistant Finance Officer
Ms. Donna Stacy, Community and Economic Development Planner
Mr. Josh Hall, Community and Economic Development Planner
Ms. Kim Ison, Community and Economic Development Planner
Ms. Courtney Young, Community and Economic Development Planner
Ms. Sally Engle, Administrative Assistant
Ms. Angela Robbins, PDS Advisor/Caregiver Coordinator*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Drewey Lovins to approve the January 24, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes as presented; the motion was seconded by Mayor Scott Cornett; all in favor with none opposed, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion was made by Judge Zeke Little, Jr., to approve the January 2024 Treasurer's Report as presented; the motion was seconded by Mayor Scott Cornett; all in favor with none opposed, motion carried.

INTRODUCTION OF GUEST SPEAKER

Ms. Michelle Allen, Executive Director, introduced Mr. Russell Clark, Landscape Architect, National Park Service; Rivers, Trails, and Conservation Assistance Program. A copy of his presentation and pamphlets are included in the official record.

BUSINESS

(1) Program Updates:

- (A)** *Ms. Stacie Noble, Associate Director of Human Services, presented an update to the Board for the programs under her supervision. A copy of which is included in the official record.*
- (B)** *Ms. Jennifer McIntosh, Associate Director of Community and Economic Development, presented an update of programs under her leadership to the Board. A copy of which is included in the official record.*

(2) Candice Fields Memorial Scholarship:

Ms. Michelle Allen, Executive Director, introduced to the Board the possibility of creating the yearly Candice Fields Memorial Scholarship at \$1,000.00 per year. Ms. Pam Pilgrim made a motion to accept the inception of the Candice Fields Memorial Scholarship; Mr. Everett Marshall seconded the motion; all in favor with none opposed, motion carried.

(3) ADF Projects:

Ms. Kimberly Sapp-Allen, Office Manager, presented two (2) ADF requests to the Board:

1.	Owsley County:	Computers/Printers/Office Furniture Purchase	\$6,067.78
2.	City of Jenkins:	Office Furniture Purchase	\$1,321.81

A motion was made by Ms. Pam Pilgrim, to approve these requests as presented; the motion was seconded by Mayor Laura Thomas; all in favor with none opposed, motion carried.

- (4) Ms. Michelle Allen, Executive Director, addressed the Board regarding the Safe Streets for All grant. Ms. Allen informed the Board that KRADD must purchase Ipads and mounting hardware for those Ipads needed do the GPS work for that grant. One Ipad per county, totaling 8. The Transportation Cabinet were very strict and specific about the amount of memory and quality of the Ipads. Quotes received were (1) Apple \$6,775.52 and (2) CDWG \$6360.00. Ms. Allen asked the Board for a motion to approve the purchase of the 8 Ipads and mounting hardware from CDWG; Mr. Drewey Lovins made the motion to approve the purchase as submitted. Mayor Scott Jackson seconded the motion; all in favor with none opposed, motion carried.

At this time, Ms. Michelle Allen, Executive Director, commended and recognized the KRADD CEDS Department for all their hard work. Governor Andy Beshear was in our region yesterday to award almost 8.5 million dollars in grant funding for which the KRADD CEDS Department wrote all the grant applications.

Lastly, Ms. Michelle Allen, Executive Director, informed all that the March 2024 Board Meeting will be held off site at the Challenger Center. Renovations have been completed to the Challenger Center and Director Tom Cravens expressed interest in hosting a Board Meeting as in years past, and providing a tour of their facilities. Meeting time may change from 12pm to 11am but we will inform everyone in plenty of time.

OTHER BUSINESS

Ms. Andrea Begley, Field Representative for Congressman Hal Rogers, reports that the Congressman is doing well and encourages all to reach out to her office for letters of support and any assistance needed. Ms. Begley further commends the CEDS Department on all their hard work.

Mr. Will Clem, DLG Field Representative, spoke to the Board regarding the Governor's budget vs. the House budget and detailed several shortcomings and differences.

Judge Jeff Noble, Secretary, conveyed his appreciation to Ms. Begley; as well as Mr. Will Clem, DLG Field Representative, for his presentation and updates from Governor Beshear's office.

ADJOURNMENT

At this time, with no other business to discuss, Judge Jeff Noble, Secretary, requested a motion to adjourn. Mayor Laura Thomas made the motion to adjourn; Mr. Drewey Lovins seconded the motion, all in favor with none opposed, motion carried, and the meeting was adjourned.



Judge Jeff Dobson, Chairman



Judge Jeff Noble, Secretary

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