

**Lake Cumberland Area Development District
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Thursday, March 23, 2023 @ 11:00 am CST (12:00 pm ET)**

Call to Order

Judge-Executive Randy Dial, Chairman called the meeting to order at 11:00 am CT in the large conference room of the LCADD in Russell Springs, Kentucky. This meeting was held in-person as well as by Zoom.

Opening Prayer

Prayer was given by Jeric DeVore, Executive Deputy Director

Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Dial led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Ms. Ronda Abrell, Assistant, gave the roll call and a quorum was established.

Approval of Minutes

Chairman Dial asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the January 18, 2023 Board of Directors meeting along with minutes from February 16, 2023 Executive Committee meeting. Motion was made by Judge Ricky Craig to approve the minutes. Seconded by Mr. Teddy Coffey. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Next Chairman Dial introduced the guest speaker, Mr. Jeff Noel, Office of the Secretary KY Cabinet for Economic Development. Mr. Noel gave a very informative Power Point on Economic Development in the Lake Cumberland Region. Some items of discussion were Building a Better Kentucky, Shared Responsibility, Shared Opportunity, Strategic Imperatives discussing how to Build off the Foundation of Success, Speed to Decision Making in Economic Development, Workforce Targeted Opportunities, etc. After much discussion, Chairman Dial thanked Mr. Noel for presenting valuable information on Economic Development.

Revolving Loan Fund Plan

Chairman Dial then asked Ms. Lyndsey Brown to give an update on the Revolving Loan Fund Plan. Ms. Brown reported that the Plan was brought before the RLF Committee and was recommended for approval. The only changes that were made to the RLF Plan based on EDA Guidelines were new Environmental Regulations. Chairman Dial asked for a motion to approve the RLF Plan. Mayor

Thomas made a motion to approve the Plan. Seconded by Mr. Hershell Key. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Community Economic Development Report

Below are items that Ms. Brown gave updates on concerning Community Economic Development.

- Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) grant application window opens on April 1st
 - (Community Projects and Public Facilities) closes on 9/1/23
- 2nd round of PDI applications will be available in March and the application window is in June
 - Eligible to apply up to \$2,000,000 (\$1 for \$1 match)
- LCADD hosted the Office of Broadband Listening Tour earlier this month at our office – we will continue to learn more about the funding and application as announcements are made, we are anticipating this to be in June
- CDBG-Disaster Recovery – Community Economic Development Department will be participating in DLG’s training once announced, we will assist with applications and administration
- CDBG-CV closeouts were completed earlier this year and each grantee will be receiving a close out letter from DLG
- CWP – KIA has begun sending grant agreements for the 2nd round of Cleaner Water funding, LCADD administrators will work with each entity to ensure all exhibits are submitted orderly

Next Ms. Brown introduced Mr. Don Franklin, PAS of the Community Economic Development Department. Mr. Franklin gave an update on the Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan and commented on mitigation grants that are readily available through the state. If anyone needs more information you may contact Mr. Franklin by phone at LCADD or email don@lcadd.org.

Executive Director’s Report

Below are items that Mr. Waylon Wright reported on in the Executive Director’s Report:

- LCADD along with DLG hosted a County Budget Workshop here at the ADD office on February 17th.
- Four LCADD Board Members and 3 LCADD Staff attended the NADO Conference in Arlington, VA on March 11th – March 15th. Mr. Wright reported that the main topic throughout the sessions was Regional Economic Development. While in Arlington they were able to visit Congressman Comers office, Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell’s office and also Senator Rand Paul’s office.
- Redistricting efforts will be getting underway soon. The ADD has been working with the attorney and we now have a contract template. Mr. Wright commented that if you want the ADD to help with those efforts you may reach out to him, Mr. Jeric DeVore, Ms. Lyndsey Brown or Ms. Whitney Frost, LCADD GIS Project Specialist.

- LCADD Orientations started this month as Judge Ricky Craig and Mayor Steve Lawson hosted staff in a very productive session. LCADD staff will be continuing those sessions.
- LCADD and Lake Cumberland Community Action has been working together with the Russell County School District to create a Pilot Mentoring Program for middle school youth. Russell County School Board approved the Pilot Program. The goal is to have a five-to-seven-year payoff and for the ADD to be able to reach out to each county getting their middle schools participating in the Pilot Program.
- Somerset Community College has been accepted by the Community Colleges of Appalachia to receive a Workforce Development Award. Mr. Wright recognized Ms. Marsha Wells, Director Workforce Programs and her staff for a very successful program which utilized WIOA funding that has helped Pulaski Co. Jails teach inmates welding skills. Mr. Wright also congratulated Dr. Carey Castle, President and Chief Executive Officer of Somerset Community College and his staff as well.
- Thursday, April 6th at 8:00 am to 4:30 pm C.T. Kentucky Transportation Cabinet will hold a training session here at the LCADD office in the large conference room concerning transportation systems for any county/city that my want to attend within our region.

Next Chairman Dial introduced Ms. Sandy Simpson and Mr. Gilbert Mishel with Congressman Comers office. Both thanked the LCADD, Judge-Executives, and Mayors for all the hard work they put into our region.

With no other business, Chairman Dial asked for a motion to adjourn at 12:30 pm. Mr. Teddy Coffey made the motion. Seconded by Mr. Curtis Hardwick. All in Favor. Motion Carried.



Judge Randy Dial, Chairman



Judge John Frank, Secretary