

**Lake Cumberland Area Development District  
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, May 17, 2023 @ 8:30 am CT (9:30 am ET)**

**Call to Order**

Judge Randy Dial, Chairman, called the meeting to order in person and by Zoom at 8:30 am CST in the large conference room of the Lake Cumberland ADD office in Russell Springs.

Mayor Robert Lawson, City of Burnside opened the meeting with prayer.

Chairman Dial led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call**

Ms. Ronda Abrell called the roll and there was a quorum:

**Attendance In-Person:** Judge Randy Dial, Mayor Eddie Thomas, Judge John Frank, Ms. Sharon Payne, Mr. Curtis Hardwick, Judge Jimmie Greene, Mayor Robert Lawson, Mr. Derrick Helm, Mr. Waylon Wright, Mr. Jeric DeVore, Mr. Tony Meeks, Ms. Marsha Wells, Ms. Tonya Bloyd, Mr. Chris Ford, and Ms. Ronda Abrell.

**Attendance Via-Zoom:** Judge Scott Gehring

**Approval of Minutes**

Mayor Eddie Thomas asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the April 19, 2023 Executive Committee Meeting. Judge Green made the motion to approve. Seconded by Ms. Sharon Payne. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

**P&F Committee Report**

The P&F Committee met prior to the Executive Committee meeting. Mayor Thomas asked Mr. Tony Meeks to give an update on the budget and financial reports. Mr. Meeks reported that the budget was in line with the FY 23 expenditures and revenues. Motion to pass the amended budget was made by Mayor Robert Lawson made a motion to accept the financial report. Seconded by Mr. Curtis Hardwick. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Mr. Meeks then gave an update on the Financial Report as of April 30, 2023. Mayor Thomas asked for a motion to approve the Financial Report. Judge Frank made a motion to approve. Seconded by Judge Greene. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Mayor Thomas then asked Mr. Jeric DeVore to give the personnel update. Mr. DeVore stated that during the P&F meeting a request was made for a LCADD Staff picnic on June 16<sup>th</sup> at the

Russell Springs City Park. Motion to grant the request was made by Ms. Sharon Payne. Seconded by Mayor Robert Lawson. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Mr. Jeric DeVore commented that in the P&F meeting it was requested that the ADD pay for the 8% increase that's expected this year for the LCADD health insurance through Anthem. Mr. DeVore reported that other plans are being look at. Mayor Eddie Thomas asked for a motion for the ADD to pay the 8% expected increase if no other plans at a cheaper rate were found. Judge Frank made a motion to approve the request. Seconded by Chairman Dial. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Mr. Jeric DeVore commented on new staff updates, stating that Mr. Franck Bikoya has been hired in our Finance Department to fill the Accountant II position. Mr. Bikoya will be starting in June of this year. Mr. DeVore also reported that Ms. Brittney Hammond was hired to fill the position of PDS Service Advisor, and Ms. Cindy Boger was hired to fill the ADRC Coordinator position. Both of these positions are in the Aging and Independent Living Department.

### **Aging and Independent Living**

Ms. Tonya Bloyd, Director of Aging and Independent Living reported on service numbers during the month of April 2023. Those numbers are as follows: Meals – Home Delivered 16,426 Congregate – 9,492 meals provided in the Senior Centers. Home Care – 2,432 units, Title III – 10,912 units. Total units were 13,344. (Personal Care, Chore, Escort, Homemaking, Supplies, Transportation, Recreation and Legal Assistance, Bingocize, walk with ease. Waiver Clients 298, PDS 248, Traditional 48, Veterans 9. Ms. Bloyd also reported that two of the new hires, Ms. Cindy Boger and Ms. Brittney Hammond, are doing a good job learning all of the details of their position.

### **WIOA**

Ms. Marsha Wells, Director of WIOA reported that there have been 169 new Adult enrollments, 6 new Dislocated Workers, 286 Youth in Follow-up services from paid work experience last summer, and 53 Youth in ITA training.

Over the next couple of months several of these will be completing active services or their 12 months follow up period of the next couple months. WIOA did receive the “planning” numbers for new program money for all programs: Adult, DW, and Youth. A plan has been put together on how we can open up for new enrollments conservatively to ensure we are providing the best services to our WIOA participants with the money that has been receive.

WIOA submitted the 3<sup>rd</sup> response to the PY20 Comprehensive report on 4/28/23, as of today we have not heard if it was accepted. The PY21 Comprehensive monitoring has been pushed back to August 2023.

The Center for Rural Development in Somerset will be hosting a hiring event on Thursday, May 25<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. To date there have been 33 participants to sign up for this event.

## **KIRPS**

Mr. Waylon Wright, Executive Director gave an update on two KIRPS. The first project is in Pulaski County. The project title is Pulaski County Park Playground Fund. This project will consist of purchasing and installing playground equipment at Pulaski County Park in Nancy, Ky. The US Army Corps of Engineers has already given Pulaski County verbal permission to install the playground equipment. This project is seeking Land and Water Conservation Funding. The Federal Funding request is \$27,593.00 to be matched with local funds of \$27,593.00 for an estimated project total of \$55,186.00.

The second project is in Adair County. The project title is Columbia Natural Gas Expansion Project. This project entails the installation of 3,950 linear feet of 4: MDPE gas line and 1950 linear feet of steel gas line along highway 55 and Greensburg Rd. The project will also install a new regulator station just off of Greensburg Rd. This project is seeking ARC money. The Federal Funding request is \$625,534.00 to be matched with local funds of \$268,086.00 for an estimated project total of \$893,620.00.

Motion was made by Mayor Robert Lawson to approve the KIRPS. Seconded by Mr. Curtis Hardwick. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

## **COMMUNITY/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

Mr. Waylon Wright reported that the Revolving Loan Fund Committee met on Wednesday, May 10, 2023 reviewing four (4) loan proposals. The Committee voted to recommend two (2) of the applicants for approval. The first recommendation is for Stephens Hardwoods in McCreary County. The company is wanting to add another line of equipment. The committee voted to recommend a loan of \$240,000.00 with a 4-year term at 4.25%.

The second recommendation is for an existing borrower, Whitaker Group, II in Somerset. Whitaker Group, II owns Core Trans Trucking. Additional trucks will be purchased, as well as adding new jobs to the company. The committee voted to recommend a loan of \$150,000.00 with a 6-year term at 4.25%.

Motion was made by Judge Greene to approve the recommended loan proposals. Seconded by Ms. Sharon Payne. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

## **Executive Director Report**

Mr. Waylon Wright, Executive Director reported a second Board Orientation has been done in Cumberland County. Our staff met with people from both county and city governments.

Ms. Lyndsey Brown and staff from the Community/Economic Development has spent their week in training to become CDBG Certified.

The Revolving Loan Fund has a substantial amount of money to be loaned out at an interest rate of 4.25%, working capital is a 5-year term, equipment, life of the equipment fixed assets can go up to 15 years. Existing companies and start-up companies are eligible.

Mr. Charlie Epley from Pulaski County has been on the RLF Committee for several years and will now step down. Mr. Wright stated the we'll be working with Judge Marshall Todd to help find a replacement on the RLF Committee for Mr. Epley.

Mr. Wright reported that on Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup> he and Ms. Lyndsey Brown, Director of Community/Economic Development went to Pineville, Kentucky where the Kentucky Highlands Investment Corporation brought in several federal partners, such as, the Department of Labor, Energy Cabinet, ARC, etc. Ms. Gail Manchin, ARC Co-Chair made announcements on some compacity building grants. Five (5) Area Development Districts received \$100,000 each. Ms. Lyndsey Brown wrote the application for Lake Cumberland Area Development District that was selected to be funded for the Community/Economic Development Department to be able to hire a Community Development Specialist for two (2) years.

Ms. Stephanie Smith, Community Development Specialist will be stepping in as the Lake Cumberland Area Development District's Public Administration Specialist (PAS). That roll involves her working with county clerks looking for training opportunities for their communities.

Mr. Wright stated that in the back of everyone's packet there is a disposal list of some old equipment such as, printers, cutters, solar panel kits, cricut maker machines, etc. Mayor Robert Lawson made a motion to approve the disposal of the items listed. Seconded by Mayor Thomas.

With no other business, Chairman Dial asked for a motion to adjourn 9:12 am. Motion was made by Judge Frank. Seconded by Mr. Curtis Hardwick. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

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The meeting was reconvened for the Water Council Subcommittee Meeting.

Ms. Martina Hadley, Water/Wastewater Coordinator presented two revised projects submitted for approval.

Clinton County

City of Albany

**1. REVISED PROJECT: SX21053017 – Albany WWTP Replacements & Improvements**

Albany WWTP Improvements project consists of the chlorine contact divider walls being poured concrete in lieu of concrete masonry blocks; replace existing slide gates in chlorine contact chamber; install grating & handrail on chlorine contact chamber; replace aerator transmission & motor on oxidation ditch; replace dry weather (3) & (2) pumps at influent lift station; replace flow meters & transmitters from flow meters to the display panel; SCADA upgrades to WWTP & collection system; and demolition of the abandoned influent screw pump system & abandoned oxidation ditch. Replace five (5) existing lift stations with new pumps, control panels, and wetwells.

**TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$1,590,000**

**0-2 YEAR START DATE**

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Pulaski County

City of Burnside

**2. REVISED PROJECT: SX21199012 – Sewer Extension Project to New Burnside Elementary School**

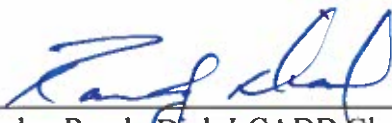
The proposed project consists of a 4-inch force main from the new Burnside School to an existing force main along Cedar Grove Road. The project consists of approximately 5,000 LF of 4-inch force main and a railroad bore under the spur to the Cooper Power Plant.

**TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$387,000**

**0-2 YEAR START DATE**

Chairman Dial asked for a motion to approve the revised projects. Mayor Robert Lawson made a motion to approve. Seconded by Mr. Curtis Hardwick. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

With no other business, Chairman Dial asked for a motion to adjourn at 9:14 a.m. Mayor Robert Lawson made the motion to adjourn. Seconded by Mayor Thomas. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

  
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Judge Randy Dial, LCADD Chairperson

  
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Judge John Frank, Secretary