

**Lake Cumberland Area Development District  
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, September 20, 2023 @ 8:30 am CT (9:30 am ET)**

**Call to Order**

Mayor Eddie Thomas, Vice-Chair, 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.

Mr. Jeric DeVore, LCADD Deputy Executive Director opened the meeting with prayer.

Mr. Waylon Wright, LCADD Executive Director led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call**

Ms. Ronda Abrell called the roll. A quorum was established.

**Attendance In-Person:** Judge John Frank, Mr. Hershell Key, Ms. Sharon Payne, Mr. Curtis Hardwick, Judge Jimmie Greene, Mr. Derrick Helm, Judge Barry Smith, Mr. Waylon Wright, Mr. Jeric DeVore, Ms. Tonya Bloyd, Ms. Lyndsey Brown, Mr. Chris Ford, Mr. Tony Meeks, and Ms. Ronda Abrell.

**Attendance Via-Zoom:** Mayor Eddie Thomas and Judge Scott Gehring.

**Approval of Minutes**

Mayor Eddie Thomas asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the August 15, 2023 Executive Committee Meeting. Judge Smith made the motion to approve. Seconded by Judge Greene. 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 over the Financial Report. Mr. Meeks gave an update on the Revenues & Expenditures Budget through the ending of August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023. Mayor Thomas asked for a motion to approve the Financial Report. Mr. Hershell Key made a motion to approve. Seconded by Ms. Sharon Payne. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Mr. DeVore gave an update on Personal stating that Mr. Joe Grider, Community Development Specialist has completed his six-month probation period with a good evaluation. Mayor Thomas asked for a motion to remove Mr. Grider from probation and update him as a permanent employee. Motion to approve was made by Ms. Sharon Payne. Seconded by Hershell Key. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Mr. DeVore then reported that the Senior Picnic will be held on Thursday, October 26<sup>th</sup> at the Center for Rural Development.

### **Aging and Independent Living**

Mayor Thomas asked Ms. Tonya Bloyd, Director of Aging and Independent Living to give an update report on service numbers through the month of August 2023. Those numbers are as follows:

- Home Delivered Meals 22,737
- Congregate 11,728 meals provided in the Senior Center
- ADRC Calls 253
- Homecare 3,058 units of service with 172 clients being served
- 86 Grandparents served
- 313 WAIVER clients being served

### **WIOA**

Ms. Marsha Wells, Director of WIOA, reported on current numbers since the new program year began.

- 39 new Youth enrollments
- 3 new Dislocated Workers
- 47 Adults are still active that were carried over from last year.

New program year Adult funds should be available sometime in October/November, and at that time we will look at new Adult enrollment for short term training and Spring 24 semesters. Each CM has been keeping a list of potential Adult candidates, and we are looking forward to serving more participants when that money is available for us.

The Department of Workforce Investment began the monitoring for PY21 on August 7<sup>th</sup>.

### **Community/Economic Development**

Ms. Lyndsey Brown, Director of Community/Economic Development reported on the KIRPS update stating that there are 2 KIRPS as of September 2023. Those are as follows:

- Adair County – The City of Columbia is the lead applicant for the Greensburg Street Sidewalk Project. Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP grant) Federal Funding \$96,904.00 with an Applicant match of \$24,226.00 bringing an Estimated total funding of \$121,130.00.
- Taylor County Fiscal Court is the lead applicant for the Green River Meats Equipment Purchase Project. Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Federal Funding \$300,000.00. Other/Loan \$400,000.00 with an Estimated total funding of \$700,000.00

Mayor Thomas asked for a motion to approve the KIRPS. Mr. Hershell Key made a motion to approve. Seconded by Judge Frank. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Ms. Brown also gave an update report over CED as follows:

- Mr. Ian Cole, LCADD Transportation Planner traveled to Oklahoma City for a 4<sup>th</sup> National Summit on Rural Road Safety. Mr. Cole is also a representative for the state of Kentucky on NADO for the Rural Organization American Council of Peers.

Ms. Brown also reported that two Loans were presented to the Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) committee. The first loan was presented for \$65,000 for renovations and upgrades by the new owners of the bowling alley in Russell Springs. The second loan presented was for \$200,000 working capital for Selby Asphalt. Mayor Thomas ask for approval of the two RLF loans. Mr. Hershell Key made a motion to approve the two RLF loans. Seconded by Judge Frank. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

### Executive Director Report

Mr. Waylon Wright, Executive Director reported on the following items:

- Ms. Lyndsey Brown, Director of CED, Ms. Paige Coe, Community Development Specialist, and Mr. Wright attended the 2023 ARC Conference that took place in Ashland, Kentucky. ARC funded the position of Ms. Coe as a Community Development Specialist. Ms. Coe had the opportunity to be introduced to some ARC staff.
- The LCADD Annual meeting will be held on Thursday evening, September 28<sup>th</sup> at the Lake Cumberland State Resort Park Lure Lodge starting at 6:00 pm C.T. (7:00 pm E.T.).
- Ms. Stephanie Smith, Public Administration Specialist is in Lexington attending the KLC. Ms. Smith is planning two round table discussion events in October. One event will be for Judges and one will be for Mayor. This will be a good opportunity for each county/city to discuss issues and to talk and teach any new members more about their positions. There will be a speaker and lunch will be provided.
- EDA under the Department of Commerce has put out a notice of funding opportunity that deals with workforce. This funding opportunity is called EDA Recompete Program. LCADD along with another Area Development District is drafting a plan for Phase 1 on how to increase workforce participation for participants ages 25 to 54. Once the plan is completed LCADD will present it to EDA for approval. If EDA approves the Plan then there may be enough funding for three to eight projects.
- LCADD submitted a project to NADO for consideration for an Impact Award which was approved.

With no other business, Mayor Thomas asked for a motion to adjourn 9:06 am. Motion was made by Mr. Curtis Hardwick. Seconded by Judge Greene. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

  
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Judge Randy Dial, LCADD Chairperson

  
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Judge John Frank, Secretary