Lake Cumberland Area Development District Board of Directors Meeting Minutes Thursday, November 30, 2023 @ 11:00 am CST (12:00 pm ET)

Call to Order

Judge-Executive Randy Dial, Chairperson 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 inperson as well as by Zoom.

Opening Prayer

Prayer was given by Mayor Robert Lawson.

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. Motion to approve was made by Mr. Allan Chapman. Seconded by Mr. Curtis Hardwick. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Selection Committee Report

Judge John Frank stated that on November 13, 2023 the Selection Committee interviewed 5 very good candidates for the position of LCADD Deputy Executive Director. Judge Frank then stated that the selection committee recommended Ms. Lyndsey Brown to be hired to fill that position. Judge Frank asked for a motion of approval. Judge Jimmie Greene made a motion to approve. Seconded by Mayor Robert Lawson. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

CED Update

Ms. Lyndsey Brown, Director of Community/Economic Development Thanked the board members for the opportunity that was given to her as the new hire for the position of Deputy Executive Director stating that she's excited to gain more knowledge and to do her best for the future of the LCADD.

Ms. Brown stated that there are two resolution that will be reviewed for approvals. The first one is the CEDS (Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy). Each year for EDA re-rights to the plans have to be updated. Ms. Brown gave a very informational PowerPoint Presentation on updates for FY23 such as the 5.6% growth in population and the tourism between 2017 and 2022 was \$47,000 between our 10 counties, currently the region has about 77,000 employed civilians, updated tables and graphics for FY23.

Ms. Brown also reported that there is a new project awarded in Adair County, Duo Broadband which will serve 378 homes and businesses with a combined total of \$10,348,760.00. There are five (5) performance measures progress in FY23 that have been met. Those include and inventory of Section 515 Housing development in a business plan, meet at least annually with Industrial Development Authority, enact WIOA representation at monthly Camber of Commerce meetings, evaluate water and wastewater treatment plants and identify any needs, and begin semi-annual communication with telecom companies in the districts to learn broadband expansion plans and needs. Grant application in FY23 reflect from CEDS that have been submitted in 2023 working towards goals and objectives and also will be included in the CEDS update.

Ms. Brown reported that the Revolving Loan Fund was able to loan out two (2) loans in FY23 of a total of \$388,00. These loans are resulting in eleven (11) new jobs. Additionally, three (3) loans were paid off and during FY23. The RLF Program currently has thirty (30) open loans.

Chairman Dial asked for a motion to adopt the resolution for the FY23 CEDS update. Motion was made by Mr. Hershell Key. Seconded by Mr. Teddy Coffey. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Next Ms. Brown reported that the Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan has been updated. This plan covers all of LCADD's 10 counties and identifies goals and actions to reduce and eliminate risks and disasters of property. With completion of the 2023 re-right Hazard Mitigation Plan, Chairman Dial asked for a motion to adopt the resolution. Ms. Sharon Payne made a motion to adopt the resolution. Seconded by Mayor Eddie Thomas. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Guest Speaker

Chairman Dial introduced Mr. Aaron Jones, Branch Manager Office of State Grants with the Department for Local Government. Mr. Jones presented a very informative PowerPoint Presentation on House Bill 9 Government Resources Accelerating Needs Transformation G.R.A.N.T. Program, as well as Interagency Working Group (IWG), Priority & Non-Priority Energy Community by County. Chairman Dial then thanked Mr. Jones for attending as our guest speaker.

Director's Report

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

- LCADD Revolving Loan Fund's required annual reports have been sent in and have been ranked with the highest score of an "A". Mr. Wright thank recognized Mr. Allan Chapman, RLF Chairman for an excellent job.
- Mr. Wright introduced Ms. Kathy England from Taylor County as the new Director of Aging Services.
- Lots of good information was received from NADO on several different topics including some sessions on housing. While at NADO LCADD received the 2023 NADO Aliceann Wohlbruck Impact Award for a project that was in conjunction with the Housing Authority in Jamestown and the Pulaski County Fiscal Court. Mr. Michael Overby, Community Development Specialist has done a good job with the housing project.
- Mr. Wright offered Mayors a Downtown Revitalization guide that he brought back from NADO with some good information.

Other Business

Chairman Dial stated that it is time to appoint a nominating committee to nominate officers for 2024. Those appointed to the nominating committee are as follows: Taylor County Judge-Executive Barry Smith, Jamestown Mayor Regena Hinton, and Citizen Member Mr. Teddy Coffey from McCreary County.

With no other business Chairman Dial asked for a motion to adjourn at 12:26 pm. Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Curtis Hardwick. Seconded by Mayor Eddie Thomas. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Judge-Executive Randy Dial, Chairperson

Judge-Executive John Frank, Secretary