

**Lake Cumberland Area Development District  
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, July 24, 2025 @ 11:00 am CST (12:00 pm ET)**

**Call to Order**

Judge-Executive John Frank, 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 Mayor Robert Lawson.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

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

**Roll Call**

Ms. Caprishia Nevels, Assistant gave the roll call. A quorum was established.

**Approval of Minutes**

Chairman Frank asked for a motion to approve the minutes for May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025 at Board of Directors Meeting. Motion to approve was made. Seconded by Ms. Sharon Payne. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

**Guest Speaker**

Chairman Frank introduced Bruce Crouch with Kentucky Emergency Management. Bruce Crouch discuss lessons learned from recent disasters and emphasized the importance of prioritizing actions in case of future emergencies. He encouraged the judges to consider their top three priorities for the first 24 to 72 hours after a disaster, focusing on debris management and other critical needs. discussed emergency response strategies following a disaster, emphasizing the importance of managing debris removal, infrastructure repair, and volunteer coordination within the first 72 hours. They highlighted the need to identify a person or team to track donations, volunteer efforts, and resource distribution, suggesting the establishment of designated donation and distribution hubs.

**Guest Speaker**

Deputy Executive Director Ms. Lyndsey Brown introduced Louis Stargell. Lake Cumberland Area Development District is partnering with Russell County Fiscal Court for a cyber security grant to assess vulnerabilities in 10 counties' facilities and municipalities. James Sears and his team will evaluate networks, identify outdated systems, and provide recommendations to enhance cybersecurity measures,

focusing on employee training to prevent phishing and ransomware attacks. They plan to conduct site visits, create detailed reports, and offer guidance on implementing policies to protect sensitive data. Participants were encouraged to prepare an inventory of their devices and systems to facilitate the assessment process.

### **Director's Report**

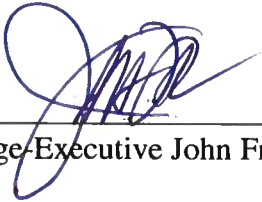
Mr. Wright reported on the items listed below:

- Mr. Waylon Wright reported Lake Cumberland Area Development District Annual Meeting with be held on September 26, 2025 at the State Park, 6:00 PM CST.
- Mr. Waylon Wright gave an update on his trip to Atlanta to the Department of Commerce's Economic Development Administration with 5 other ADD Directors to meet the new Regional Manager Sheba Whitley.
- Mr. Waylon Wright reported an update on proposed comprehensive workforce building in Somerset. A signed lease for ¾ acre site and \$3 Million Dollar allocation for construction has been received. Preparation business plan and architect procurement has begun.

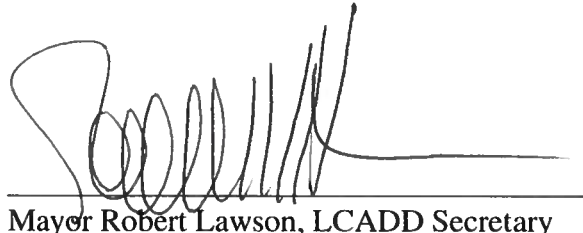
### **Other Business**

Chairman John Frank reported a new Citizens Member Nomination form had been received from Mayor Kenny Catron and Judge Scott Gehring for Tammy Stephenson Adams. Nomination was seconded. Motion carried.

With no other business Chairman Frank asked for a motion to adjourn at 12:37 p.m. Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Curtis Hardwick. Seconded by Mr. Teddy Coffey. All in Favor. Motion Carried.



Judge-Executive John Frank, LCADD Chairman



Mayor Robert Lawson, LCADD Secretary