

**MINUTES  
BRADD BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
FEBRUARY 22, 2017**

**TIME & PLACE:**

The Barren River Area Development District Board of Directors met at 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 22, 2017 at the BRADD Office, Bowling Green, KY. The BRADD meeting was called to order by Chairman Judge/Executive Greg Wilson.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Ms. Sandy Simpson, Congressman James Comer's Office.

Chairman Wilson recognized all guests and representatives of the news media.

Chairman Wilson called on Mr. Gene Becker. Mr. Becker introduced Ms. Susan Orłowski. Ms. Orłowski gave a presentation on the various programs and projects the Community and Economic Development staff are involved with in helping our communities. She distributed copies of the FY17 grant opportunities and a copy of the FY2016 project funding submittals. For additional information and assistance, contact the CDBG staff.

**ATTENDANCE:**

It was determined that we had a quorum. (See attached attendance Record).

**MINUTES:**

With no corrections or additions, the minutes of the January 25, 2017 meeting were approved. (See attached)

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Officers:** Chairman Wilson reported that Mr. Tom Jones has been reappointed as Citizen Member representing Butler County for a three year term.

Chairman Wilson reported that the Executive Director Search Committee met this morning. The committee consists of five members and two advisors.

## **Special Advisors:**

Mr. Tim Thomas, Senator Mitch McConnell's Representative, reported that the Senator has been visiting throughout Kentucky while on recess. Senator McConnell will be returning to Washington to assist President Trump with various issues he is working on.

Ms. Sandy Simpson, Congressman James Comer's Representative, reported he has been travelling throughout Kentucky. If there are any issues or concerns, please contact Ms. Simpson.

Mr. Isaac Myers, Governor's Representative, reported on various trainings that DLG will be hosting. If there are any concerns with bills that are presented, contact his office.

Mr. Joe Plunk, District Highway Office, reported the process has begun for prioritizing projects for the Highway Plan next year.

## **STAFF:**

**Ms. Michelle Hines**, Aging Services Director, reported Barren River Area Agency on Aging and Independent Living has FY17 Aging and Disability Resource Guides available, and this guide is also on the BRADD website. We have a few copies on the table out front.

The Kentucky Center for Economic Policy asked the BRADD/AAAIL to assist with an "impact video" about the Home Delivered Meals Program from meal preparation to delivery. The Center's focus was to illustrate that Senior Programs are important to a thriving community. The completed video was shown to those in attendance. The video will be available on the BRADD Face Book Page and the BRADD website.

<http://www.kentuckytogether.org/blog/>

**Ms. Susan Orłowski**, Public Administration Specialist, reported that the BRADD will host a training entitled "Natural Disaster Awareness for Community Leaders" on April 20 at 8:30 AM at the BRADD. The course will prepare local elected and appointed officials to prepare for, mitigate against, respond to, and recover from disasters of any type. KLC and KACO were contacted to obtain training credit for course attendees.

**Mr. Gene Becker**, Interim Executive Director, reported Ms. Susan Orłowski will be the Public Administration Specialist. She has her Master's degree in Public Administration. Mr. Becker introduced the following new interns in the Community and Economic Development Department: Ms. Page Harrison and Ms. Ashleigh Barker. Mr. Becker also distributed a copy of HB 189 that

establishes fiscal and transparency standards for all the ADDs. Mr. Becker noted that the ADD directors have worked with the legislators and the State Auditor on the bill and support the legislation.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**1. Executive Council Report:**

**1. Approve Clearinghouse Projects**


Mayor Dick Doty reported that the Executive Council met prior to this meeting to review 6 Regional Projects and recommends approval.

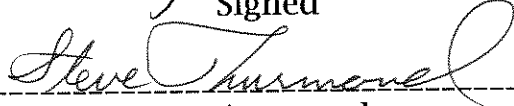
- **A motion was made by Mayor Dick Doty, seconded by Judge/Executive Tommy Willett to approve the 6 Regional Projects as presented. Motion carried. (See attached)**

Chairman Wilson reported that House Bill 189 regarding transparency and accountability for the Area Development Districts, have the support from KACO and KLC. He encouraged all Board Members to follow bills that concern their cities and counties, and contact their Legislators.

**ADJOURN**

With no further business, a motion was made by Judge/Executive Terry Martin, seconded by Mayor Mike Hughes to adjourn.

  
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Signed

  
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Approved