MINUTES BRADD BOARD OF DIRECTORS March 27, 2019

TIME & PLACE:

The Barren River Area Development District Board of Directors met at 1:00 p.m. Wednesday, March 27, 2019 at the BRADD Conference Center, Bowling Green, KY. Chairman Steve Thurmond called the BRADD meeting to order.

Judge/Executive Mason Barnes, BRADD Board of Director, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Chairman Thurmond introduced the guest speaker, Mr. Tony Wilder, Executive Director of the Kentucky Council of Area Development Districts. Mr. Wilder spoke about the importance of each ADD and the value of gathering the regions officials together. Mr. Wilder expressed the benefit gained from all who participate and the work that can be accomplished with bringing different minds together. Mr. Wilder expressed the importance of each member but in particular the Citizen Members for the dedication and unique value brought to the group. Mr. Wilder complimented the BRADD Executive Director Mr. Eric Sexton on his enthusiasm and passion for the work of the ADD. Mr. Wilder briefly discussed the diligent work being done with the JFA contract issues. Mr. Wilder stated he believed much of what occurred was due to the lack of knowledge people have about the ADDs. Mr. Wilder spoke about House Bill 476 and its creation of a taskforce to study the dynamics of the ADDs in conjunction with the Department for Local Government. The Bill did not pass the House and is scheduled to for Senate review tomorrow. Mr. Wilder informed the importance of making sure the Legislators know how important and impactful the ADD is to each specific region. Mr. Wilder encouraged the members to talk about the services of the ADD and the tremendous impacts that occur with such little funding. Mr. Wilder stated after the recent scrutiny the ADDs have received, it is important to show the support that is needed to continue.

ATTENDANCE:

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

MINUTES:

With no corrections or additions, the minutes of January 23, 2019 meeting were approved as emailed. (See attached)

Motion was made by Judge/Executive Logan Chick, seconded by Mayor Mike Hughes to approve the January 23, 2019 Board minutes as emailed. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Officers: No reports.

Council:

Aging Council, Chair Thurmond introduced Ms. Mary Ann Henry Aging Council Chair. Ms. Henry informed the Aging Council met on Wednesday March 20th at 10 am at the BRADD Conference Center. Ms. Cheri Hudson with Senior Perspective provided a brief presentation about the services offered and who is eligible to benefit from the program. Ms. Henry stated Aging Council members reviewed and approved the Aging Services Review Committee report and the Aging Services Amendment Report. The Executive Council will make those recommendations to the BRADD Board. Ms. Henry informed the next Aging Council meeting will take place on Wednesday May 15th, 2019 at 10 am in the BRADD Conference Center.

Water Management Council, Chair, Judge/Executive Wil Cannon, informed the Board the Water Management Council met on Wednesday March 6, 2019 at the BRADD Conference Center. The Council reviewed and approved one new water project. The next council meeting will be held on Wednesday June 5th, 2019 at noon at the BRADD Conference Center. Judge/Executive Cannon informed members to direct any question to staff Mr. Thomas Grubbs.

Special Advisors:

Mr. Jon Crosby, Senator Rand Paul's representative, gave an update on the Senate recess and informed that many of the staff are busy meeting during this time. He provided updates on the different department's work and stated each department is re-evaluated during this time. Mr. Crosby informed the FEMA department is currently assessing storm damages and better ways to approach disaster preparedness. The Criminal Justice department has held meetings working with the program for felons getting a second chance.

Mr. Wes Watt, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, informed the winter construction is wrapping up. Governor Bevin was in Bowling Green on Tuesday

for recognition of the new interstate 165. Mr. Watt informed the I-165 is nearing completion with new signage to appear soon. There will be a sign labeling I-165 as the William H. Natcher Expressway. Mr. Watt expressed excitement for the new interstate exchange. Moderate construction will continue with right lane closure for widening the bridge and extension of an exit ramp as a needed safety provision.

Mr. Barclay Trimble, Mammoth Cave National Park Superintendent, provided various announcements including the spring break season has increased the down tourism this past week. The spring tour schedule has been posted. Mr. Trimble informed the work on the fire management plan to help govern fire protocol within the park. The Green River ferry project is completed and the updates allow the ferry to carry more weight. Bids are now being accepted for the ferry ramps. Mr. Trimble informed April 20th begins National Park week which includes an array of activities in the park. Mr. Trimble is excited to host the BRADD April Board Meeting and Legislators on April 24th.

Ms. Debbie Hammers, Rural Development, informed funds are currently available for water and sewer projects for a variety of localities. Ms. Hammers informed this may be something that cities and counties want to consider as the funding could be applicable towards a variety of needs within government operations.

STAFF:

Ms. Michelle Hines. Associate Director of Aging, informed May is older Americans month, with this year's theme being, "Connect, Create, Contribute." BRADD/AAAIL will distribute plaques again this year to anyone turning 100 in 2019, and will host a centenarian luncheon on May 31st celebrating all the region's centenarians. Ms. Hines revealed BRADD/AAAIL will be hosting a National Health Care Decision Day event on April 16, 2019 from 9:30 am - 2:00 pm at the Holiday Inn Express in Glasgow KY. Several area vendors will be available to provide information. Kentucky Legal Aid staff will be on site to complete advanced directives to persons 60 years of age and over, at no cost. For those who make reservations, an educational opportunity and lunch will be provided. Ms. Hines further informed the FY 20 Area Agency on Aging and Independent Living Area Plan is due to the DAIL on Friday, March 29. Once approved by DAIL, the FY 20 Aging Service Area Plan will be place on the BRADD website. Lastly Ms. Hines stated, there is a Veteran's Resource Fair on April 11, 2019 at 10 am - 2 pm at the National Guard Armory at 410 Calvary Drive, Glasgow, KY 42141. The event is free and open to the public. For more

information on these items or events, please contact Alecia Johnson or Michelle Hines.

Ms. Emily Hathcock, Associate Director of Economic Development, informed of two reports located in the Board Members packet. Ms. Hathcock explained the project impact report. There are 27 active projects representing \$23,525,441.00 dollars of investment. There are 21 applications awaiting approval representing \$27,117,539.63 dollars and there are 27 grant applications in development. Ms. Hathcock informed the second worksheet contains an overview of upcoming grant opportunities. Ms. Hathcock stated the Community Development Block grants (CDBG) are now open. Ms. Hathcock informed the department continues to remain busy and are happy to help with any project needs. She encouraged members to contact the department.

Ms. Dajana Crockett, Public Administration Specialist, reported on the recent census workshop and informed that it was well attended and informative session for officials and members involved with the upcoming 2020 census. Ms. Crockett announced on April 23rd a workshop will be held with the Kentucky Emergency Management Association for City and County Officials from 1-4:30 pm. This training will help educate on funding opportunities to repair damages and mitigate future events. Additionally, Ms. Crockett informed of four current open grants with information flyers located at the sign in table.

Mr. Eric Sexton, Executive Director, thanked Mr. Wilder for presenting. Mr. Sexton thanked those who attended the February Legislative Breakfast in Frankfort, the BRADD region was well represented. Mr. Sexton provided a brief update on the BRADD JFA contracts. The FY 18 contract appeal letter is still under review at the Governor's Office. The FY 19 contract did receive an amendment to the travel language, however no other significant changes were made. Senator Meredith met with the DLG Commissioner with the Senate Contract Review Committee. An audio recording of the meeting can be found on the BRADD's website. Mr. Sexton informed the FY 19 JFA contract has been signed with hopes to receive funding soon and further amendments of the contract language. Mr. Sexton expressed disappointment in the lack of negotiation of an equitable contract. Mr. Sexton informed the members his desire to remain transparent in agency matters. Mr. Sexton thanked members for their continued support and BRADD area Legislators for understanding what the BRADD does. Mr. Sexton mentioned House Bill 476 creates a taskforce to evaluate the ADDs. The bill passed the House and is scheduled for Senate tomorrow. Mr. Sexton recognized one February staff anniversary. Ms. Chelsey Guffy for one year of employment and introduced two new staff members. Ms.

Emily Phillips, ADRC Coordinator and Ms. Sharon Cassitty, Case Manager. Mr. Sexton provided various announcements. May 7th will be BRADD night at the Bowling Green Hot Rods. Additional details can be found in the Board packets. There is an opportunity for some Board Members to participate with TVA leadership academy, the packet contains the details. Mr. Sexton announced Simpson and Logan Counties were represented with perfect attendance. Lastly, Mr. Sexton announced the April Board Meeting is April 24th and will be held at Mammoth Cave National Parks Green River Grille in honor of National parks week. Also, this will be the annual Legislative luncheon.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Executive Council Report:

1. Approve Clearinghouse Projects

Chairman Thurmond called on Judge/Executive Wil Cannon who reported that the Executive Council met prior to the BRADD Board Meeting and considered four regional clearinghouse projects. The project descriptions are in the board packet. If there are no questions, upon review of the projects, the Executive Council recommended approval.

Motion: Judge/Executive Wil Cannon made a motion to approve the four Regional Clearinghouse Projects. Mayor Randall Curry seconded the motion. Motion carried. (See attached)

2. Aging Review Committee

Chairman Thurmond called on Mayor Mark Stratton who reported the Aging Services Review Committee met on Friday March 15, 2019. GA Foods was the only agency to submit an application for frozen shelf stable meals program. GA is the current provider of these services. After review of the proposed unit costs, as well as a review of the checklist, the review committee voted to accept GA Foods proposal.

Motion: A motion was made by Mayor Mark Stratton, seconded by Mayor Mike Hughes to approve the Aging Review Committee recommendation. Motion Carried. (See attached)

3. FY 19 Aging Services Amendment

Chairman Thurmond called on Mayor Mark Stratton who reported the Executive Council reviewed the Aging Services Amendment and a copy is provided in the Board packet. Mayor Stratton recommended the Board approve the Aging Services Amendment.

Motion: Mayor Mark Stratton made a motion to approve the FY 2019 Aging Services Amendment. The motion was seconded by Mayor Scotty Turner. Motion carried. (See attached)

ADJOURN

Chairman Thurmond called on each county allowing anyone to provide county/city specific announcements or updates for their area. Words of thanks and appreciation were shared for the work of the ADD and the continued need and benefit for the future. Mr. Chairman recognized charter Board Member Mr. Elroy Larimore on his recent 88th birthday and wife, Doris, who was also in attendance. Additionally, Chair Thurmond presented a Friend of the BRADD award to Metcalfe County Citizen Member Mr. Howard Dickson. Mr. Dickson has been a Citizen Member since 2013 and is recently retired from his job with the City of Edmonton. Remarks of thanks and appreciation were shared by both the Chairman and Executive Director.

With no further business, a motion was made by Judge/Executive Logan Chick, seconded by Mr. Steve Thurmond to adjourn.

Signed

Approved