

Mid-Missouri Regional Planning Commission
Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, October 26, 2011
Approved Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Kenneth Kunze
Gabe Craighead
Les Hudson
Pam Murray
Eddie Brickner
Robin Triplett
Lowell Eaton
Pat Cunningham
Jeremy Ketterer
Marsha Broadus
Katrina Thomas
Debra Griffin
Ed Siegmund

Representing:

Moniteau County
Callaway County
City of Fulton
City of Holts Summit
Cooper County
City of Fayette
Howard County
City of New Franklin
Congressman Luetkenmeyer Staff - Columbia
Howard County
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Agenda Item I. Welcome

Agenda Item II. Call to Order – Approval of Agenda

Chairman Lowell Eaton called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. Pat Cunningham motioned to approve the agenda. Kenny Kunze seconded this motion and it passed unanimously. Introductions followed by those present.

Agenda Item III. Review and Approval of Minutes

Eddie Brickner motioned to approve the Board of Director's meeting minutes from the August 26, 2011 meeting, Gabe Craighead seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Agenda Item IV. Financial Reports

Pat Cunningham presented the October Treasurer's Reports. Ms Cunningham indicated expenditures for October totaled \$29,498.18 and a total of \$14,418.37, in revenues received. Total fund balance projected for October is \$156,008.51. Les Hudson motioned to approve the reports as presented. Pat Cunningham seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Ms. Cunningham presented the 2011-12 Budget Report. She indicated that we are a third (33%) of the fiscal year is complete, with budget line items tracking accordingly. Ms. Cunningham explained the total budget expenditures are at 25%. Kenny Kunze motioned to accept the report as presented. Eddie Brickner seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Agenda Item V. Business

EDA Planning Partnership 2007 to 2010 Project Close-Out

Ed Siegmund reported that the Economic Development Administration has completed an audit for fiscal years 2007-8, 2008-09, 2009-10. There were no issues regarding the audit and EDA grant funds during this period.

OHS 2011 Grant Award – Region F

Ed Siegmund reported that the Missouri Office of Homeland Security has approved Mid-MO RPC's application for the Area F RHSOC for funding under the FY11 Homeland Security Grant Program in the amount of \$211,889.24. Mr. Siegmund requested the board's approval to enter into this agreement and add this project to Mid-MO RPC's work program. Pam Murray motioned to add to the work program. Motion was seconded by Les Hudson. Motion passed unanimously.

OHS Regionalization Program Assistance

Ed Siegmund reported that coordination activities for the Homeland Security Regionalization Program is being assisted by MACOG. Mid-MO RPC staff will be responsible for procurement and invoicing, for the nine RHSOC regions. Mr. Siegmund believed that this would be the last year for Mid-MO RPC to be a part of this program due to lack of funds.

Current Work Program

Ed Siegmund reviewed the staff report provided in the meeting packet of staff technical assistance activities of projects for the period of July 1, 2011 thru October 25, 2011. Future projects include assisting Fulton Area Economic Development and City of Centralia with enhanced enterprise zone applications. The staff will also be assisting the City of Fayette with updating zoning maps, also updating zoning and sewer maps for the City of New Franklin and potentially several planning activities for the City of Holts Summit. The report indicated that staff is also providing grant administrative services on four projects.

CDBG 2011 Disaster Grant – Cooper and Howard Counties

Ed Siegmund reported that CDBG funds are now available to address damages related to disaster and flood events for 2011 and prior years for Cooper and Howard counties. Mr. Siegmund indicated that any FEMA funds that are committed could be matched with the CDBG grant funds. Infrastructure improvements for these counties also qualify.

Annual Audit

Ed Siegmund reported that the Mid-MO RPC audit has been completed and he is still awaiting the final audit report.

Annual Meeting

Ed Siegmund reported that he has been contacted by a private firm with a request to contribute funds to the RPC's annual meeting in November. There was a brief discussion on this policy and also the possibility of an associate membership for non-governmental entities. The Board decision was that any private contributions to sponsor the annual meeting are welcome. The Board has requested Mr. Siegmund to draft language for review regarding associate membership for the Board's review at the December board meeting to add to the by-laws.

Congressman Luetkemeyer

Jeremy Ketterer, representative from Congressman Luetkemeyer's office presented a copy of a letter from Congressman Luetkemeyer to the Honorable Chair, Nancy Sutley at the Council on Environmental Quality. Congressman Luetkemeyer would like to see the permitting process under National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) streamlined. Streamlining this process would assist our state and local governments to receive funds for infrastructure projects in a timelier manner. A brief discussion followed on how this process is important especially to our rural communities.

Agenda Item VI. Committee Reports

Economic Development Advisory Committee

Pam Murray, EDAC Chair, reported the committee met at the Columbia Regional Airport on October 11. Minutes are in the Board packet. Ms. Murray indicated that Missouri CORE's Regional Familiarization Tour with four site consultants was completed. The committee will meet on December 13, at 9:00 a.m. in Callaway County. The meeting location is still to be determined.

Transportation Advisory Committee

Eddie Brickner, TAC Chair, reported Bruce Hackmann, FADC, did a presentation of the short line railroad connecting Fulton to Mexico. FADC has applied for a Tiger III Grant to restore the line. Mr. Siegmund reported that Mid-MO RPC staff wrote a supporting letter for this grant but the FADC is waiting until next year's funding cycle for TIGER funds to submit an application. Mike Schupp, MoDOT Area Engineer for Central Missouri and Travis Koestner, MoDOT Assistant District Engineer were in attendance at the meeting.

Regional Homeland Security Oversight Committee

Ed Siegmund, Mid-MO RPC, reported that the RHSOC annual meeting was held on October 18, with approximately 60 attendees present. The meeting showcased equipment within Area F that can be used for homeland security and disaster events. The meeting also included discussions of Area F grant activities and the election of discipline representatives for the Area F RHSOC.

A short discussion followed regarding the training and testing of the equipment that has been purchased.

Agenda Item VII - Announcements

Ed Siegmund announced the Mid-MO RPC annual meeting date is November 16, 2011. Location will be the Southern Boone County Senior Center in Ashland. The RPC staff will present a light program and hopes everyone will be attending. Invitations will also include Senate and Congressmen and their staff, along with past RPC members.

Agenda Item VIII. Adjournment

Les Hudson made a motion and Pam Murray seconded to adjourn the meeting at 6:15 pm. Motion passed.