#### **MINUTES**

# JOINT MEETING OF THE OZARK FOOTHILLS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION, THE OZARK FOOTHILLS DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION, THE OZARK FOOTHILLS SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT AND THE RIPLEY COUNTY PUBLIC HOUSING AGENCY

## AUGUST 29, 2017 BILL R. EMERSON VISITORS' CENTER LAKE WAPPAPELLO

#### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 P.M. by Chairman Gene Oakley.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND FINANCIAL REPORTS

On a motion made by Mr. Darrell Dement and seconded by Mr. Edward Coursey, the Minutes of the June 2017 meeting and Financial Reports for the Quarter Ending June 30, 2017, were approved.

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

Mr. Heath Pickrell of the Missouri Department of Transportation presented to the group regarding the *Local Technical Assistance Program* (LTAP). The presentation concentrated upon how to obtain and the benefits of safety training for cities and counties throughout Missouri.

## TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Transportation Planning Coordinator Andrew Murphy informed the group that the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) project prioritization meeting was held July 27, 2017. The TAC composed a prioritized list of project, maintenance, and multi-modal projects, which were then transmitted to MODOT.

## SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT, REGION Q

Recycling Center Supervisor Jamie Lansford reported that the prices of all commodities are gradually increasing. The cardboard baler had some maintenance issues but has since been repaired. Should a city wish to conduct a fall cleanup event, contact Jamie Lansford at the Recycling Center.

Director Felicity Ray reported the Solid Waste Management District received one proposal for administrative services from the Ozark Foothills Regional Planning Commission in response to its multi-year solicitation for solid waste program management.

Director Ray reported the district's FY17 Annual Report would be reviewed and considered for approval at the next quarterly meeting.

## OZARK FOOTHILLS DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

Director Felicity Ray reported upon the business incubator expansion effort. Construction began August 28, 2017, with a completion date of April 13, 2018. A marketing campaign will soon be designed and launched advertising availability of the four new spaces.

# OZARK FOOTHILLS REGIONAL COMMUNITY FOUNDATION (OFRCF)

Associate Director Matt Winters reported that disaster flood relief funds collected on behalf of Butler, Carter, Reynolds, and Ripley Counties will be distribute3d via a grant call to occur prior to the end of the calendar year.

## RIPLEY COUNTY PUBLIC HOUSING AGENCY

Housing Coordinator Ilene Ward reported upon the Section 8 Rental Assistance program. The Ripley County Public Housing Agency currently has 347 vouchers filled. In addition, thirty-four VASH vouchers are dedicated specifically for homeless veterans are also filled. Exactly 301 families remain upon the Section 8 Rental Assistance Program waiting list.

Director Ray reported that there were thirty-six families participating within the FSS Program and eighteen families participating within the Home Ownership Program. Nine of the home ownership clients are currently engaged in credit counseling.

## NEW GRANTS RECEIVED

Associate Director Matt Winters reported upon the grant awards received during the prior quarter. They were summarized as follows:

- Ozark Foothills RPC, MO Office of Administration, Children's Trust Fund, Safe Cribs Project, \$1,088;
- Ozark Foothills RPC, MODOT, Annual Transportation Planning Program, \$64,706;
- Ozark Foothills Solid Waste Management District, MDNR, \$95,188;
- Ozark Foothills RPC, Ozark Foothills Solid Waste Management District, \$88,105;
- Purman VFD, FEMA AFG, turnout gear and SCBA, \$74,286;
- Poplar Bluff, FEMA AFG, SCBA Units, \$141,715; and,
- Ozark Foothills RPC, USDA, Rural Development, Solid waste management technical assistance for Ellsinore, Van Buren, and Williamsville, \$36,245.

## GRANT APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED

Director Ray reported that twelve grant applications were submitted during the prior quarter. A summary of each proposal was provided to those in attendance as an attachment to *Resolution* 

#291. A motion was made by Mr. Paul Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Brian Polk authorizing submission of the proposals.

## **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Director Ray reported that the FY 2017 Annual Report is being prepared. A copy of the report will be distributed electronically upon completion to the commission members.

The Melvin Brinkley Public Service Award nominations are due to be turned in by Thursday, November 23, 2017. The nominee will be announced at the next quarterly meeting, December 14, 2017, at Ozark Foothills Regional Planning Commission.

Associate Director Winters reported upon the Stronger Economies Together (SET) Plan update.

## **GENERAL DISCUSSION**

Director Ray reported to the group that the Williamsville Labor Day Parade is Saturday, September 2, 2017.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion made by Commissioner Vince Lampe and seconded by Mr. Darrell Dement, the meeting was adjourned at 8:07 P.M.

Respectively Submitted,

Dr. Gene Oakley, Chairman

Date

Mr. Edward Coursey, Secretary

Date

#### **ATTENDANCE**

## COMMISSION MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Angela Smith
Donald Black
Wayne Gibbs
William Kirkpatrick
William Kennon

Ed Degaris Kim Diamond Vince Lampe Darrell Dement Edward Coursey

Mildred Coursey Kevin Bynum Brian Polk Margaret Carter Paul Johnson

## COMMISSION MEMBERS NOT IN ATTENDANCE

Joe Loyd Gary Conway, Jr. Carrol Rainwater Paul Woods Terry Cooper Rick Julius Angela Clyburn Russell French

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## **GUESTS**

Debbie Griff
Helen Criter
Lyn Schultz
Helen Edwards
David Edwards

Becky Gibbs Ronda Polk Ronnie Pritchett Susan Pritchett Cathy Lampe

Dennis Avery Gloria Dement Jeanne Porter Clifford Smith

## **STAFF**

Niki Harp
Andrew Murphy
Eugene Shanor
Samantha Rodgers
Mike Watkins

John Anderson Dale Bowen Camille Donnell Matt Winters

Keona Ferguson Felicity Ray Ilene Ward Jamie Lansford