

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**

**SEPTEMBER 13, 2018
CLEARWATER LAKE**

7:00PM

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:14pm by Chairman Gene Oakley.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND FINANCIAL REPORTS

On a motion made by Mayor Angela Smith and seconded by Ms. Margaret Carter the Minutes of the June 2018 meeting were approved. The Financial Reports for Ozark Foothills Regional Planning Commission will be available for approval, December 2018.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Michael Brandon, Transportation Planner for the Missouri Department of Transportation presented to the group regarding the statewide transportation funding distribution.

Jeff Glenn, Director of the Mercury Alliance presented to the group regarding Proposition D.

TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Transportation Planning Coordinator Andrew Murphy presented the FY 2019 regional project priority list and maintenance needs list, and the multi-modal projects list.

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT, REGION Q

Recycling Center Supervisor Jamie Lansford reported that the white paper prices have increased. The recycling center is now accepting electronics.

On a motion made by Mr. Darrell Dement and seconded by Ms. Margaret Carter, *Resolution #OFSWMD-2018-02*, authorizing submission of the solid waste management district's FY 2018 Annual Report to the Missouri Department of Natural Resources was approved.

OZARK FOOTHILLS DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

Director Felicity Ray reported upon the business incubator expansion effort. Construction was completed May 11, 2018. There are four spaces for lease, at a price of approximately \$430 per month. If there are any known small businesses looking for industrial space they are encouraged to contact Director Ray.

OZARK FOOTHILLS COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Assistant Director Crystal Jones presented to the group regarding the Ozark Foothills Regional Community Foundation. Next board meeting is scheduled for September 25, 2018. There was a \$10,000 Disaster Prep application submitted to the Community Foundation of the Ozarks (CFO) fund a regional housing study. An Affiliate of the Year application was also submitted to the CFO for \$2,000.

RIPLEY COUNTY PUBLIC HOUSING AGENCY

Housing Coordinator Niki Harp reported upon the Section 8 Rental Assistance Program. The Ripley County Public Housing Agency is currently assisting 358 families in the five county region. In addition, thirty-seven of thirty-nine VASH vouchers, dedicated specifically for homeless veterans, are also filled. The Section 8 waiting list is currently closed, with 280 families waiting for assistance.

Family Self Sufficiency (FSS) Coordinator Carolyn Meeks reported there are thirty-six families participating in the FSS Program, and sixteen families participating in the PHA's Home Ownership Program.

NEW GRANTS RECEIVED

Assistant Director Jones reported upon the grant awards received during the prior quarter. They were summarized as follows:

- Ozark Foothills Regional Planning Commission, U.S. Department of Commerce, EDA, Annual Economic Development Planning Program, \$66,000;
- City of Ellington, CDBG, Paving, \$250,000;
- City of Poplar Bluff, CDBG, Roof Replacement Rodger's Theatre, Inc., \$336,900;
- City of Doniphan, FEMA, Residential Flood Buyout, \$338,020;
- City of Van Buren, FEMA, Residential Flood Buyout, \$353,128;
- Carter County, FEMA, Residential Flood Buyout, \$487,594;
- Ozark Foothills Regional Planning Commission, SWMD, Operation of the Recycling Center, \$84,000; and,
- Ozark Foothills Regional Planning Commission, MODOT, Region's Transportation Planning Program, \$64,705.88.

GRANT APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED

Director Ray reported that twenty-three grant applications were submitted during the prior quarter. A summary of each proposal was provided to those in attendance as an attachment to *Resolution #297*. A motion made by Rev. Greg Kirk, and seconded by Mayor Angela Smith authorizing submission of proposals, was approved.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Ray discussed the FY 2018 Annual Report. It is due to be published September 30, 2018. A copy will be posted to the Ozark Foothills Regional Planning Commission's website and Facebook Page.

Special Interest Coordinator Samantha Rodgers reported on the Volkswagen Trust. Applications are currently being accepted for school bus replacement. Deadline for receipt of applications is September 14, 2018.

The Melvin Brinkley Public Service Award nomination deadline is October 31, 2018. Communities are encouraged to provide a brief written description of their nominee to Director Ray by the deadline. The nominee will be recognized at the December 2018 commission meeting.

Ms. Rodgers advised the group to attend the Carter County Hazard Mitigation Plan meetings. The next meeting is scheduled for October 1, 2018 at the Carter County Commission chambers.

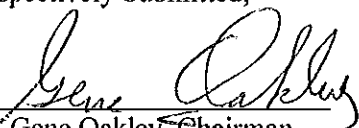
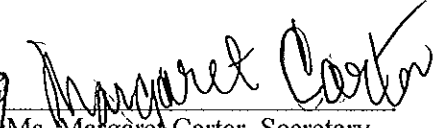
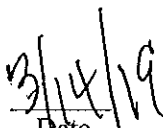
GENERAL DISCUSSION

Director Ray announced that there are seats available upon the commission and the development association board. Membership offers were made to and accepted by Matt Michel and Samantha Pennington-Evans- both attorneys from Ripley County. Official action accepting the nominees will be considered during the December 2018 meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05pm.

Respectively Submitted,

		
Dr. Gene Oakley, Chairman	Ms. Margaret Carter, Secretary	
12/13/2018	3/14/19	
Date	Date	

ATTENDANCE

COMMISSION MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Bryan Polk
Donald Black
Darrell Dement
Margaret Carter
Joe Loyd
Angela Smith

Paul Johnson
Wayne Gibbs
Kevin Bynum
William Kennon
Rick Julius

Russell French
Paul Wood
Gregory Kirk
Vince Lampe
Gene Oakley

COMMISSION MEMBERS NOT IN ATTENDANCE

Susan McVey
John Murray
Glen Sedrick
Wayne Ogden
Mike Hoerner

Gary Conway, Jr.
Stanley Barton
Dennis Cox
Bernard Allen
Carrol Rainwater

Angela Clyburn
William Kirkpatrick
Edward Coursey
Mildred Coursey
Sr. Anne Francioni

GUESTS

Babe Mann
Ronda Polk
Sandy Finch
Dean Finch
Lyn Schultz
Caroline Yielding
Clifford L. Smith

Georgia Woods
Karen White
Gloria Dement
Donna Hickman
Jeff Glenn
Becky Gibbs
Linda Kennon

Sarah French
Billy Julius
Mike Brandon
Kay Wood
Pamela Kirk
Cathy Lampe

STAFF

Crystal Mehring
Eugene Shanor
David Foster
Carolyn Meeks
Crystal Jones

Andrew Murphy
Felicity Ray
Keona Ferguson
Ilene Ward
Niki Harp

Jamie Lansford
Samantha Rodgers
Camille Donnell
Cassandra Anagnostopolous