

BOONSLICK REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
Full Council Meeting – Monday, March 23, 2015

The general membership of Boonslick Regional Planning Commission met Monday, March 23, 2015 at the BRPC office, 111 Steinhagen, Warrenton, Missouri at 12:00 p.m. The following individuals were present:

Senator Jeanie Riddle, Distric 10	Zach Monroe, Office of Senator Riddle	Murray Bruer, City of Truesdale
Dan Colbert, Lincoln County	Mark Cross, City of Troy	Steven Deves, Montgomery City
Ryan Poston, Montgomery County	Rich Daniels, Montgomery County	Hubert Kluesner, Warren County
John Noltensmeyer, Montgomery County	Larry Tucker, Lincoln Co. Econ. Dev.	Tanner Smith, Cong. Luetkemeyer's office
Michelle Schlenther, City of Warrenton	Erik Maninga, MoDOT	Julie Rodgers, Lincoln Co. Econ. Dev.
Gene Galloway, Lincoln County	Tim Schmidt, Warren County Record	Representative Bart Korman, Dist. 42
Jennifer Hoskins, Senator Blunt's office	Sherry Meyer, City of Jonesburg	Brendan Fahey, Senator McCaskill's office
David Gardner, City of Winfield	Tim Ens, City of Winfield	Floyd Weeks, City of High Hill
Terry O. Wilson, 21 Design Group	Matt Bass, Lincoln County	Jeff Thomsen, Village of Innsbrook
Chuck Eichmeyer, BRPC	Steve Brune, BRPC	Jay Gourley, BRPC
JoAnn Toerper, BRPC	Krishna Kunapareddy, BRPC	Deana Dothage, BRPC
Jane Cale, BRPC		

Following lunch, Chairman Murray Bruer called the meeting to order and introductions were made. State Representative Bart Korman, Jennifer Hoskins from U.S. Senator Roy Blunt's office, Brendan Fahey from U.S. Senator Claire McCaskill's office, and State Senator Jeanie Riddle each gave a brief legislative update.

MoDOT District Engineer Erik Maninga gave a transportation update. MoDOT has established "Missouri's 325 System" which prioritizes the use of limited funds on primary roads. In 2017 the lack of funds means Missouri will not be able to match and receive federal dollars. Another state will receive the money. Several bills are being considered including Senate Bill 540 which would raise the state fuel tax by 2 cents for the next 3 years. Erik encouraged all to look at the different bills. If we wait until next year, we will not be able to match federal dollars.

Business Transactions

- Steven Deves made a motion to approve the agenda. John Noltensmeyer seconded the motion and the agenda was approved.
- Ryan Poston made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 22, 2014 meeting. Hubert Kluesner seconded the motion and the minutes were approved.
- Rich Daniels made a motion to approve the financial reports. Sherry Meyer seconded the motion and the financial reports were approved.

Chairman's Report

Chairman Bruer reported that over 70 resumes had been received in response to the BRPC Executive Director position. Four individuals were interviewed. The executive board should be able to announce a decision soon.

Chairman Bruer spoke about the loss of the City of Truesdale's prescription drug take-back program. Truesdale had arranged for a drop box to be placed at city hall which was used by area residents to drop off any expired or unused drugs with no questions asked. In the last 3 years 2,000 lbs. had been collected. The police department then kept the items which were picked up by DEA and taken to be incinerated. DEA will no longer pick up the drugs. Mayor Bruer has begun discussions with the Regional Homeland Security Oversight Committee about the possibility of purchasing an incinerator for the region. He stressed the importance of collecting the drugs because they are oftentimes flushed into our water systems. Several chemicals, particularly hormones are getting in our water supply. Mayor Bruer will keep members updated.

Interim Director's Report

BRPC Interim Director Chuck Eichmeyer thanked the executive board, general membership and staff for the support he has received. He said that BRPC is looking at different funding opportunities. A DNR application is almost complete for a feasibility study to look at private septic systems and the possibility that they would be managed better if clustered.

Staff is in the process of working on the Food Hub Feasibility Study which was funded through USDA Rural Development.

Chuck had asked each county to provide an update about the things they were working on or dealing with for the membership. Lincoln County Presiding Commissioner Dan Colbert, Montgomery County Presiding Commissioner Ryan Poston and Warren County Associate Commissioner Hubert Kluesner provided these updates.

Old Business

There was no old business to discuss.

New Business

There was no new business to discuss.

Program Updates

- *MO Rides:* BRPC Mobility Coordinator Deana Dothage reported that the website for MO Rides launched on December 18th. It was decided to also add a mobile website since so many individuals access the Internet on their phones. Deana continues to attend meetings to make people aware of this program and has attended 138 meetings this quarter. She is working with BRPC Planner Krishna Kunaparredy on a grant to continue the program. Hopes are to add a carpool program with volunteer drivers. Work will be done to print some booklets with information about MO Rides for those who do not have access to Internet.
- *Workforce Development:*
 - The State Parks Youth Corps program will be available for youth ages 17-24 again this year. It will run from May through December of 2015.
 - An additional Summer Youth program will be available aside from the regular Youth program for the 16 counties in the region.
 - We continue to progress with Warren County's goal to become certified as a Work Ready Community and will begin the process for Lincoln County next.
 - The WIA program is being reauthorized with changes to begin July 1st. Right now we are waiting on the regs.

Funding Opportunities

Grant applications for demolition projects are due May 1, 2015 and those for community facilities are due June 1, 2015.

Next Meeting Date

The next BRPC general membership meeting will be Monday, June 22, 2015.

Adjournment

With no other business, Sherry Meyer made a motion to adjourn. Jeff Thomsen seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned.

Approved on: _____

Murray Bruer, BRPC Chairman

Prepared by: _____

Jane Cale, BRPC Office Manager