

Region 8 Planning and Development Council
South Branch Inn ~ Moorefield, WV
Thursday, June 17, 2010

CALL TO ORDER

Grady Bradfield, Chairperson of the Region 8 PDC, called the meeting to order at approximately 6:00 p.m.

PREVIOUS MINUTES

A motion was made by Mallie Combs-Snider to approve minutes for the previous meeting. The motion was seconded by Bob Armentrout. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

- A letter dated May 14, 2010 from Debra Mitchell Briddell, Grants Officer – Corporation for National and Community Service, providing feedback on a fiscal compliance review conducted on the RSVP program (Retired Senior Volunteer Program).
- A letter dated May 15, 2010 from Debra Mitchell Briddell, Grants Officer – Corporation for National and Community Service, providing feedback on a fiscal compliance review conducted on the FGP program (Foster Grandparent Program).
- A letter dated May 27, 2010 from Scott Mandirola, Director – WV Department of Environmental Protection, notifying that a grant application has been submitted to the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency for FY 10 funding: Chesapeake Bay Regulatory and Accountability Grant.
- A letter dated June 4, 2010 from Willie C. Taylor, Regional Director – Economic Development Administration, requesting the Government Performance and Results Act Data Collection Report.
- The PDC has received announcements from the WV Division of Public Transit and Passenger Service and Safety Workshop June 14-16 and Maintenance Training September 21, and 22, 2010

REPORTS

An Agency-wide Line Item R&E Report and a Balance Sheet is now included with members packets at each meeting. No formal report is given. This information is also posted to the agency's website.

Nominating Committee Report

Mallie Combs-Snider gave the Nominating Committee's Report recommending the following slate of officers:

Chairperson – Grady Bradfield
First Vice-Chair – Harold Hiser
Second Vice-Chair- Janice LaRue
Secretary – Bob Armentrout
Treasurer – William Bean

The nominating committee recommends that the executive committee continue to be comprised of the following representatives:

- The county commission representative from each county
- The municipal representative from the largest town in each county
- Any officers not included in the above representation
- The individuals representing minorities and disadvantaged persons
- The most active council members for a total executive committee membership of nineteen

The nominating committee also recommends that the Council begin a search for private sector members to recommend and replace inactive members in the near future.

BUSINESS

Election

Mallie Combs-Snider made a motion to accept the recommendation of the nominating committee and to elect all officers and comprise the executive committee with a county commission representative from each county, a municipal representative from the largest town in each county, any officers not included in the previous representation, individuals representing minorities and disadvantaged person, and the most active council members for a total executive committee membership of nineteen. Joan Ashley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant

Melissa Earle, Assistant Director – Region 8 PDC, reported that the Council is currently working with four county commissions and four municipalities on Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant applications. This includes Hampshire, Hardy, Mineral, and Pendleton Counties, Franklin, Keyser, Romney, and Wardensville. If any government is interested in applying for these funds they must do so in the very near future because deadline for having the applications to the State is drawing near.

Route 220 North/South Corridor Status

Mona Ridder, Director - Mineral County Development Authority reported that the North/South Coalition of the Greater Cumberland Committee now has 200 members from Pennsylvania, Maryland and West Virginia. Their highest priority is focused on widening existing routes or creating a new route to connect I68, I81, I79, and Corridor H. As Corridor H becomes more of a reality there is a critical need for a North/South connection. Coalition members have met twice

with legislators in Washington, D. C and have all current PA, MD, and WV representatives on board with this idea. She requested that Region 8 Planning and Development Council join the coalition.

Joan Ashley made a motion for the Council to approve participation with the North/South Coalition of the Greater Cumberland Committee. Butch Armentrout seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Director's Update

- The Corporation for National and Community Service conducted a fiscal compliance review of the RSVP (Retired Senior Volunteer Program) and FGP (Foster Grandparent Program). The Council received a letter from Debra Briddell, Grants Officer, stating that overall she was impressed with the monitoring review and the staff was well organized and very responsive.
- The Council continues to replace old furniture at the Transitional Housing Center. There are only six units that remain to be replaced.
- Most of the vacancies that existed in the PDC's budget have been filled. These include the new THC Manager and most of the ADRC positions.
- An application was submitted for the RSVP augmentation grant which will expand the program into the Region 8 counties. (RSVP currently serves Berkeley, Jefferson, and Morgan Counties.) The staff was asked to make some minor revisions to the budget. The State office believes the PDC has a strong application.

Commissioner David Parker asked about the status of the Petersburg office roofing project. Melissa stated that an update will be given at the next Council meeting.

Mallie Combs-Snyder made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Joan Ashley seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:05 p.m.