

**BIG SANDY AREA DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
April 21, 2005 – Noon – District Meeting Room**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Judge-Executive Tucker Daniel  
Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson  
Judge-Executive Bill May  
Judge-Executive Bill Deskins  
Mayor Stanley Howard, by proxy Ms. Caroline Patrick  
Mayor Frank Justice, by proxy Mr. Donovan Blackburn  
Mayor Doug Pugh  
Ms. Kitty White  
Mr. Mickey Anders  
Ms. Lillian Wheeler  
Mr. Paul Williams, by proxy Ms. Valerie Meade  
Ms. Susan Howard  
Ms. Donna Adams  
Mr. Burl Spurlock  
Mr. Phillip Hunt, by proxy Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson  
Ms. Doris Barnett

**GUESTS PRESENT**

Ms. Nikki Allen, Center For Rural Development  
Ms. Tonya Conn, Congressman Hal Rogers Office  
Mr. Grayson Smith, Governors Office

**STAFF PRESENT**

Ms. Sandy Runyon	Ms. Janice Prater
Ms. Terry Trimble	Mr. James Whited
Ms. Sandra Justice	Ms. Liz Hamilton
Mr. Derrick Fannin	Mr. Jeff Sizemore
Ms. Darlene Walker	Mr. Barry Butcher
Mr. Neil Parsons	Ms. Amy Barnes
Mr. Eric Ratliff	Ms. Denise Thomas
Ms. Libby Ratcliff	

After a quorum was determined to be present, the chair took the liberty of introducing guests. The board reviewed the minutes from the March meeting. A motion and a second by Judge-Executive Bill May and Judge-Executive Bill Deskins approved them. Motion carried. The agenda was reviewed and a motion and second by Judge-Executive Bill May and Ms. Susan Howard approved the agenda.

Mr. James Whited gave the financial report. He offered a revision to the FY05 Cost Allocation Plan to the board for approval. Mayor Doug Pugh seconded by Ms. Lillian Wheeler motioned to approve the revision. He then reported on the existing board report. We are about 75% through the year with a \$183,631 fund balance. Our ED RLF account has about \$65,000.00 available and we are actively soliciting for applications. Administratively we are doing well and cash flow is good. Judge-Executive Bill May, seconded by Judge-Executive Bill Deskins made a motion to approve. Motion carried.

The board reviewed the Executive Review. With no questions, Judge-Executive Bill Deskins seconded by Judge-Executive Bill May made a motion. Motion carried.

Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson entered into a discussion regarding the Coal Severance funds and that additional paperwork is now required.

The Transportation Committee report was discussed and the board was informed that the committee would need to prioritize projects next month.

We offered four positions to the board for ratification of the Executive Committee as follows: Ms. Donna Wiete as Projects developer, Mr. Jeff Sizemore as PAS, Ms. Lisa Brinley as GIS Associate and Ms. Valerie Scott as UMWA Program Nurse. After the board reviewed the enclosed résumés, Judge-Executive Bill May seconded by Judge-Executive Bill Deskins made a motion. Motion carried.

Ms. Sandy Runyon gave the directors report. She expressed what a good job she felt the county and all the volunteers did in Pikeville with Hillbilly Days. We are working with the counties to organize the East Kentucky State Fair and invited the Pikeville folks to help since they have so much experience. It will begin on August 28, 2005 and will run through Labor Day.

We went to the ARC conference in March – ARC received level funding. Would the board be willing to authorize the chair to sign a letter to the Chairman of the Transportation Committee at the national level to 4-lane the Mountain parkway? We will copy the Congressman and try to make it an actual line item in the budget so maybe we can see this project come to fruition. Judge-Executive Bill May seconded by Judge-Executive Bill Deskins made a motion. Motion carried.

SEDTKA has made available 100 Redbud trees to establish a redbud trail throughout the Country Music Highway. If anyone would like trees, let us know.

We are putting together press releases to have published once a month to raise public awareness about the ADD. We had a contest throughout the building for a catchy phrase that would identify our column and Tracy Wireman won with ADD-Ventures.

Sr. Games is May 13<sup>th</sup> at the Pin Zone in Prestonsburg for Bowling and Billiards and May 20<sup>th</sup> at the downstream area of Dewey Lake for the outdoor games. This is their 20<sup>th</sup> year celebration and all judges are welcome. Medals will be given at the banquet the following Friday rather than giving out medals at the end of the day this year. We need contributions for the senior Banquet.

We are working with Connect Kentucky – Eric Mills will be visiting the judges and mayors trying to access broadband across Kentucky.

We are in the process of having our Website redesigned. Stay tuned.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned.