

**BIG SANDY AREA DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
December 17, 2004 – Noon – District Conference Room**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Judge-Executive Tucker Daniel, Chair
Judge-Executive Bill Deskins
Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson
Judge-Executive Kelly Callaham
Judge-Executive Bill May
Mayor Jerry Fannin
Mayor Doug Pugh
Mayor Frank Justice
Mayor Stanley Howard, by proxy Ms. Carolyn Patrick
Mr. Burl Spurlock
Ms. Susan Howard
Mr. Paul Williams, by proxy Ms. Lillian Wheeler
Mr. Craig Preece
Ms. Doris Barnett
Mr. Mickey Anders
Ms. Lillian Wheeler
Ms. Donna Adams

This was our Christmas meeting and Open House. Therefore, guests and staff were too numerous to report.

The chair called the meeting to order after a quorum was determined to be present. He took the liberty of introducing guests.

Mr. Bob Mitchell, Congressman Hal Rogers Chief of Staff was our guest speaker. He spoke of all the wonderful things that are going on in the 5th District and how much he appreciated Big Sandy ADD. A special recognition was given to Trouper Rick Conn for his heroic act during a recent gas line explosion in Ivel Kentucky where he risked his life to enter a burning house and save the people inside. His face and hands were badly burned, and his heroics will not be forgotten.

Mr. Mitchell then explained that the Congressman's staff reviews the papers daily to find articles that recognize special people. His attention was brought to Mr. Dallas Chaffins of Pike County, who is 73 years old and is still an active full time coal miner. He started work at age 11 as a logger with his father, began work as a coal miner at age 17. He took off 2 years from coal mining from 1951 to 1953 to serve in the Marine Corps during the war. He has 12 children and 26 grandchildren. To this date he has never missed a day of work for sickness or vacation. He is truly a remarkable individual. The Congressman asked that this story be an official part of the Congressional Record and Mr. Mitchell read that document to the board.

The State Fire Marshall was in the meeting and made a presentation to Trouper Conn for his act of selflessness.

The chair welcomed Commissioner Darrell Brock who very enthusiastic in speaking of the partnership between the Governor's office and the Congressional office. He said the Governor is very focused on two items: 1) the budget, and 2) tax modernization. He spoke about the branding that recently took place for Kentucky and acknowledged that outside folks really like Kentucky. He praised Mr. Mike Duncan who has been a mentor for the Commissioner with ARC. He announced that Kentucky is trying to expand its telecommunication efforts to include broadband statewide. The chair thanked the Commissioner for coming today.

The minutes of the November meeting were presented for approval. Mayor Doug Pugh, seconded by Judge-Executive Bill May. Mayor Doug Pugh, seconded by Judge-Executive Kelly Callaham, approved the agenda with a motion.

The Executive Review was discussed and approved by Mr. Burl Wells Spurlock, and Mayor Doug Pugh making a motion and a second.

Mr. James Whited presented a request to ratify the RLF Committee's recommendation to loan \$25,000.00 at a rate of 4.25% for 60 months to Speedseekers Performance Center, LLC, a Salyersville based company that works in the auto racing industry by building cars and parts to cars. Judge-Executive Bill May, seconded by Mayor Doug Pugh made a motion.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned.