

Meramec Regional Planning Commission

Minutes

October 8, 2015

Call to Order

Chairman T.R. Dudley called the October 8, 2015, meeting of the Meramec Regional Planning Commission to order at 7:35 p.m.

Consent Agenda

The following consent agenda items were presented for approval:

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Local Review – None

Statewide Grant Applications

1. Missouri Department of Conservation, Jefferson City
15.608-Fish and Wildlife Management Assistance
Asian Carp and native Fish Passage Investigation at upper Mississippi River Lock and Dam 19.
Federal: \$85,000
State: 28,000
Total: \$113,333
2. The Curators of the University of Missouri, Columbia
10.025-Plant and Animal Disease, Pest Control and Animal Care
The potential use of screenable markers to strengthen the coexisting of GE and non-GE Crops.
Federal: \$299,964
3. Department of Social Services, Jefferson City
MO 15-07 provides a 2.5% trend increase for hospital payments funded through the Federal Reimbursement Allowance Fund and allows for future trend increases to be determined by the Hospital Market-Based Index.
4. Department of Social Services, Jefferson City
MO 15-08 makes several changes to better estimate interim DSH payments and lessen the impact of the independent DSH audit on hospitals.
5. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington D.C.
University of Missouri at Columbia-request for additional information regarding physical security plan review for renewal of facility operating license. R-103 for the University of Missouri Columbia. Research Reactor (TAC NO. ME1580)
6. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington D.C.
Missouri University of Science and Technology-NRC routine Inspection Report No. 5-123/2015-201
7. State of Missouri, Jefferson City
93.944-Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Acquired Immunodeficiency Virus Syndrome (AIDS) Surveillance
Missouri Supplemental National HIV Surveillance System (NHSS)
Federal: \$120,000
State: 120,000

Contracts

- **RBO Enterprises, LLC, D/B/A Thriftway**

Permission was requested for MRPC's chairman and/or executive director to enter into a technical assistant contract with RBO Enterprises, LLC, D/B/A Thriftway, in the preparation of a loan application, and for MRPC's chairman and/or executive director to sign any necessary documents.

- **Rolla Area Sheltered Workshop**

Permission was requested for MRPC's chairman and/or executive director to enter into a technical assistance contract with the Rolla Area Sheltered Workshop for grant administration for a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), and for MRPC's chairman and/or executive director to sign all necessary documents.

- **City of Richland**

Permission was requested for MRPC's chairman and/or executive director to enter into a technical assistance contract with the City of Richland for grant administration for a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), and for MRPC's chairman and/or executive director to sign all necessary documents.

- **Your Community Health Center**

Permission was requested for MRPC's chairman and/or executive director to enter into a technical assistance contract with Your Community Health Center for application preparation for a Neighborhood Assistance Program grant (NAP), and for MRPC's chairman and/or executive director to sign all necessary documents.

- **City of Bland**

Permission was requested for MRPC's chairman and/or executive director to enter into a technical assistance contract with the City of Bland for grant application preparation for a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), and for MRPC's chairman and/or executive director to sign all necessary documents.

- **Missouri Office of Homeland Security**

Permission was requested for MRPC's chairman and/or executive director to enter into a contract with Office of Homeland Security for the FY15 Region I HSOC grants and sign all necessary paperwork. Permission is also requested for MRPC's chairman and/or executive director to allocate Region I HSOC grant funds based on the recommendations from the Region I HSOC board and to sign the necessary paperwork to enter into MOU's with grant recipients. The following grants are recommended by the Region I HSOC:

- MRPC, \$3,524.89 for Management and Administration of the grant funds
- MRPC Work Plan, \$20,000.00 for general administration of the Region I HSOC
- MRPC Planning/Training, \$10,000.00 for part-time planning position
- City of Rolla Fire & Rescue, \$30,263.31 for the sustainment of the Homeland Security Response Team
- City of Crocker Police Dept., 19,775 for mobile radios
- City of Sullivan Fire & Rescue, \$1,934.54 for hazmat clean-up
- City of Waynesville Police Dept., \$5,000 for MOSWIN radios

- **U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) (Extension of MRPC's Economic Adjustment Revolving Loan Fund (RLF))**

Permission was requested for MRPC's chairman and/or executive director to sign the extension of time for the Meramec Regional Planning commission's Economic Adjustment Revolving Loan Fund (RLF). The amendment modifies the grant awards disbursement period end date to September 30, 2016, and for MRPC's chairman and/or executive director to sign all necessary documents.

- **Legends Bank-RBO Enterprises, LLC, D/B/A Thriftway**

Permission was requested for MRPC's chairman and/or executive director to enter into a

technical assistance contract with Legends Bank on behalf of RBO Enterprises, LLC, d/b/a Thriftway for SBA 7(a) loan packaging services, and for MRPC's chairman and/or executive director to sign all necessary documents.

- **The Retroplex Entertainment Complex/Brian Hazelwood**

Permission was requested for MRPC's chairman and/or executive director to enter into a technical assistant contract with The Retroplex Entertainment Complex/Brian Hazelwood, in the preparation of a loan application, and for MRPC's chairman and/or executive director to sign any necessary documents.

- **Washington County CDBG Tiff Road Bridge Project**

Permission was requested for MRPC's chairman and/or executive director to enter into a contract to provide technical assistance for grant administration of the CDBG project, and for MRPC's chairman and/or executive director to sign any necessary documents.

Appointments

MRPC's approval was requested for three appointments to the following board:

- **Meramec Regional Development Corporation**

Washington County Commission recommends the appointment of Donald Thompson and the reappointment of Darlene Weber to the MRDC board.

- **Meramec Regional Development Corporation**

Osage County Commission recommends the appointment of Ryan Brand to the MRDC board.

- **Meramec Regional Development Corporations**

Pulaski County Commission recommends the reappointment of Carol Carson, Wayne Morgan; and the appointment of Denise Smith to the MRDC board.

Steve Vogt made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented; John Kamler seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Ms. Kristin Wright with Senator McCaskill's office updated the board on legislative issues. Senator McCaskill has recently completed an agriculture tour of the state. She addressed the new EPA standards in the Environmental Bill; Senator McCaskill would like to include a long term plan to implement the changes that would avoid penalties from the EPA.

Floodplain Management-Ms. Tammy Snodgrass, MRPC

Ms. Snodgrass provided an overview of the floodplain management responsibilities of local governments which are members of the National Floodplain Insurance Program (NFIP), as well as a summary of floodplain management technical services offered by MRPC.

Board and Committee Reports

External Relations Committee: Darrell Skiles, chairman

The External Relations Committee met at 6 p.m. Committee reviewed and discussed Annual Dinner preparations. The invitations went out on Oct. 2. Items for the silent auction are needed. The committee discussed the meeting schedule with state and federal legislative delegations and state and federal priorities process for the 2016 legislative session. The priorities survey will be going out soon and will be reviewed by the full board in December. The committee reviewed the MRPC and the Ozark Rivers Solid Waste Management District websites.

Operations Committee: Steve Vogt, member

After committee review and approval, Steve Vogt made a motion to approve the MRPC financial statements and MRPC/MRDC-RLF & IRP program financial statements for the period ended Sep. 30, 2015; seconded by John Casey. The motion carried. Staff presented a brief overview of the changes in the OMB super circular.

The committee discussed the proposed overtime ruling and its potential impact. Staff reviewed the Title VI program (non-discrimination policy) and the recommendations that MoDOT's consultant suggested. The policy will be posted on MRPC's website, on building's bulletin board and will allow LEP access. Steve Vogt made a motion to accept the recommendations; seconded by John Casey. The motion carried.

Planning Committee: James Morgan, chairman

Staff provided an introduction on the Mobility Management system. The committee was provided information on the new illegal dumping surveillance equipment and the capabilities of the surveillance program. The new content guidelines from EDA for the CEDS document were provided for review.

Housing Advisory Board: Ray Schwartze, chairman

No report was given.

Transportation Advisory Committee: John Casey, at-large representative for transportation

John Casey reported on TAC activities as follows: Rand Swanigan with MoDot, who is a Senior Roadside Management Specialist, gave information on roadside maintenance that pertains to noxious weeds, including Teasel, Kudzu and Spotted Knapweed along with biological controls.

Staff gave an introduction to the Mobility Management System. The first advisory group meeting will be Oct. 20, at 2:00 p.m. at MRPC. Staff is currently looking for advisory group members.

Preston Kramer, MoDOT, central engineer updated the committee on the STIP revisions, including additional funding and proposed added projects. He also, updated the committee on the draft Chip/Seal program.

Environmental: Tammy Snodgrass, staff

Staff passed out a report on environmental and MREPC activities. Report is attached.

Business Loans: Linda Loughridge, staff

MRDC will have a meeting on Oct. 21. A report was handed out and is attached.

Workforce Development: T.R. Dudley T.R.

Dudley announced that there is a grant for \$6 million allocated for the state for the flooding and storm damages in the spring. There will be a statewide summit meeting at the Lake of the Ozarks. The board will work on prioritization.

Meramec Community Enhancement Corporation (MCEC): John Petersen

No report was made.

Meramec Regional Community Foundation (MRCF): Tammy Snodgrass, Staff
MRCF met on October 7 and discussed the Give Ozarks 2016 which is scheduled for May 3, 2016. This is a 24 hour push for giving to local Not for profits who are part of the Community Foundation of the Ozarks. This is a crowd funding drive directed at millennials. In 2015 over \$1m was raised in a 24 hour period for local causes. If your NFP is interested, you must register with CFO by Jan. 29th.

Chairman and Director's Report

T.R. announced that there will be a Business Fair on Nov.3 at the Havener Center in Rolla.

Tammy Snodgrass presented the following directors report:

Entrepreneur Assessment being conducted by– Crystal Jones – Institute for Regional Innovation and Entrepreneurship through the Southeast Missouri State University. We will be carrying out

this assessment through our CEDS group, but we would like to broaden the invitees to include all of our economic developers in the region, electric cooperatives, financial institutions, workforce development folks, higher education representatives, local entrepreneurs, etc. The first meeting is tentatively scheduled for November 17th. We will be sharing more information as it becomes available.

Annual Dinner invites have gone out. The RSVP deadline is Oct. 19. We are still accepting door prizes and silent auction items. Please get those to us in the next week or two.

Bonnie and Preston Kramer will be making their annual visits to the Commissions to discuss transportation needs, TAC members are invited, staff has schedule.

The Meramec Watershed Workshop is scheduled for October 13 at 2:00 at the St. James Community Center in Nelson Hart Park here in town. We will have speakers on a variety of topics including overviews of the Our Missouri Waters initiative sponsored by MDNR; the feasibility study for restoration projects from the Corps of Engineers; economic benefits, use and protection by university extension folks; an overview of issues on the upper watershed in regards to species protection and benefits for land and waters (MDC); the city of Rolla will be doing a presentation on storm water and wastewater best practices; the SWCD/local landowner will be doing an overview of programs to assist landowners in managing erosion and water resources; and a presentation on road maintenance and thinking outside the box for funding county low water crossing upgrades which is directed more toward county government. There will be time after the presentations for attendees to ask questions and provide feedback and input on what they feel are the big issues in the upper Meramec. I hope you will all try to attend and participate.

There will be the 1st mobility manager advisory committee on October 20 at 2:00. Holly hopes to meet with local government as well as local transit services and disabled representatives.

Naturally Meramec will be meeting on October 20 at 6:00 p.m. at MRPC.

We will be having our regular board meeting in November on Nov. 12.

Adjourn

T.R. Dudley made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:32 p.m.; Steve Vogt seconded the motion. The motion carried.