

**Meramec Regional Planning Commission
Minutes
September 10, 2015**

Call to Order

Chairman T.R. Dudley called the September 10, 2015, meeting of the Meramec Regional Planning Commission to order at 7:36 p.m.

Consent Agenda

The following consent agenda items were presented for approval:

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Statewide Grant Applications

1. Missouri Department of Social Services, Jefferson City
Plan amendment adds the Show-Me Healthy Babies program to the Children's Health Insurance Plan. The Show-Me Healthy Babies Program adds coverage for targeted low-income pregnant women with incomes from 0% up to 300% of FPL and their unborn babies.
2. State of Missouri
93.944-Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)/Acquired Immunodeficiency Virus Syndrome (AIDS) Surveillance
The HIV/AIDS Surveillance Program monitors the number of HIV and AIDS cases diagnosed each year; identifies changes in trends HIV transmission; monitors prevalence of persons living with HIV infections; produces data and analyses to assist prevention.
3. State of Missouri Department of Conservation, Jefferson City
10.028-Wildlife Services
Maximize Detection of Avian Influenza Viruses in Wild Waterfowl
Federal: \$20,000
4. State of Missouri Department of Conservation, Jefferson City
66.461-Regional Wetland Program Development Grants
A functional Assessment of Missouri's Wetlands of Past and Present
Federal: \$ 129,451
State: 43,150
Total: 172,601
5. State of Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Jefferson City
66.460-Nonpoint Source Implementation Grants
FY2015 319 Nonpoint Source Implementation Grant
Federal: \$68,000
6. State of Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, Jefferson City93.165-Grants to States for Loan Repayment Program
Federal: \$1,738,050
State: 3,476,100
Local: 1,158,700
Total: \$6,372,850
7. State of Missouri Department of Social Services, Jefferson City
State Plan Amendment 13-21A-to ensure the continued coverage of reasonable classifications of

children in nursing facilities and intermediate care facilities while continuing to apply a financial need determination.

8. State of Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Jefferson City
66.454-Water Quality Management Planning
FY2016 604(b) Water Quality Management Grant
Federal: \$393,000
9. State of Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Jefferson City
66.468-Capitalization Grants for Drinking Water State Revolving Funds
FY2015 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Capitalization Grant
Federal: \$17,738,000
Applicant: 3,547,600
Total: \$21,285,600
10. State Environmental Improvement & Energy Resources Authority, Jefferson City
66.818-Brownfields Assessment and Cleanup Cooperative Agreements
Missouri Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund
Federal: \$500,000
Applicant: 100,000
Total: \$600,000
11. State of Missouri, Jefferson City
93.116-Project Grants and Cooperative Agreements for Tuberculosis Control Programs
Tuberculosis Elimination and Laboratory Cooperative Agreement
12. State of Missouri Department of Social Services, Jefferson City
Missouri CSBG State Plan
13. State of Missouri Department of Social Services, Jefferson City
LIHEAP State Plan
14. Department of Social Services, Jefferson City
IV-E State Plan
15. Department of Natural Resources, Jefferson City
66.433-State Underground Water Source Protection
Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Missouri Geological Survey Underground Injection Control Program
Federal: \$145,556
State: 48,519
Total: \$194,075

Contracts

- City of Vienna
Permission was requested for MRPC's chairman and/or executive director to enter into a technical assistant contract with the City of Vienna for building inspection services and for MRPC's chairman and/or executive director to sign any necessary documents.
- Central Missouri Sports Group, Inc. dba The Pitch Indoor Soccer League
Permission was requested for MRPC's chairman and/or executive director to sign a technical assistance contract for RLF loan with Central Missouri Sports Group, Inc. dba The Pitch Indoor Soccer League, and for MRPC's chairman and/or executive director sign any necessary documents.

- Missouri S& T: Havener Center, Rolla
Permission was requested for MRPC's chairman and/or executive director to sign a rental/use agreement with the Missouri S& T Havener Center for use of the facility for MRPC's Annual Dinner on Oct. 30, 2015, and for MRPC's chairman and/or executive director sign any necessary documents.
- Mag Roberts
Permission was requested for the chairman and/or executive director to sign a technical assistance agreement with Mag Roberts to provide consultant services to MRPC with docudrama trainings and other Arrive Alive work. Period of work is July 6, 2015, through June 1, 2016.

Appointments

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

- Meramec Regional Development Corporation
Gasconade County Commission recommended the re-appointment of Bruce Sassmann to the MRDC board.
- Meramec Regional Development Corporation
Maries County Commission recommended the appointment of Wanda Williams to the MRDC board.
- Meramec Regional Development Corporation
Dent County Commission recommended the re-appointment of Michael Homeyer and Dennis Purcell to the MRDC board.

Mary Heywood made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented; Don Brackhahn seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Legislative Update from Rep. Blaine Luetkemeyer's Office: Matt Thompson

Mr. Thompson is the new legislative special assistant for Rep. Luetkemeyer's office. He updated the board on key issues facing Congress.

Introduction of New MRPC Staff-Bonnie Prigge

Ms. Prigge introduced new staff as follows:

Savannah Vandegriffe, Housing Coordinator; Ryan Dunwoody, Environmental Programs Specialist; Donna Ridenhour, Loans and Planning Dept. Secretary and Holly Kreienkamp, Mobility Manager.

Ms. Laura Antolak-The Kaleidoscope Discovery Center, Rolla

Ms. Antolak shared information on the newly created Kaleidoscope Discovery Center, a fun and interactive science center in Rolla where people, especially children, are inspired to imagine a universe of endless possibilities. The center's mission is to provide opportunities that advance the understanding and appreciation of engineering, science, technology, environment, arts and math (ESTEAM); through hands-on learning experiences.

The center provides numerous camps for children K-12, such as, First Lego League to providing merit badges for Boy Scouts.

Board and Committee Reports

External Relations Committee: Leo Sanders, member

The External Relations Committee met at 6 p.m. Committee was updated on annual dinner plans.

Committee discussed the list of state legislative priorities and changing the State Priorities Report by reducing the number of issues to one priority for each topic and focusing only on those issues that legislators can address. Mr. Sanders reminded the board that silent auction items are needed for the annual dinner.

Ms. Tamara Snodgrass provided a handout on “Guidance for Donating Hours for Grant Writing Services” to the board. Handout is attached.

Operations Committee: Marvin Wright, chairman

After committee review and approval, Marvin Wright made a motion to approve the MRPC financial statements and MRPC/MRDC-RLF & IRP program financial statements for the period ended August 31, 2015; seconded by Larry Miskel. The motion carried.

The committee reviewed the list of state issues drafted by staff.

Planning Committee: James Morgan, chairman

Committee discussed and commented on the draft state legislative priorities list for 2016 and made a few recommendations. Committee discussed transportation funding options. Lyle Thomas provided an update on the Naturally Meramec regional meeting.

Housing Advisory Board: Leo Sanders, vice-chairman

Staff presented a statement of revenues and expenditures for the month ending August 31, 2015. Year-end financials for 2014-2015 were also presented.

Staff briefed the board on the number of families assisted and the amount of housing assistance payments for each of the six counties.

Environmental: Tammy Snodgrass, staff

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

Business Loans: Marla Stevenson, at-large representative for banking

Staff is working on a five different projects. There is \$686,942 in the RLF fund to lend. A report was handed out and is attached.

Workforce Development: T.R. Dudley

T.R. Dudley reported on attending the Universal Challenge Course Team Building facility. The facility was nice and the staff was professional.

Meramec Community Enhancement Corporation (MCEC): Bonnie Prigge

MCEC met Sept. 8, staff is currently working on the MHTF grant used to rehab houses in the region; there are funds available to rehab five houses at \$5,000 each.

MCEC honored Shannon Birdsong and Phelps County Bank with an award for the bank’s support and sponsorship of MCEC’s participation in the Federal Home Loan Bank of Des Moines Affordable Housing Program. In order to apply for FHLB-DM grants, applicants must have the support of a member bank.

Meramec Regional Community Foundation (MRCF): Bonnie Prigge, Executive Director

Bonnie Prigge reported that MRCF held a meeting Sept. 2. The Foundation welcomed a new member, Sue Merx and is currently looking for a member to represent Osage County. A training session is in the planning stages on marketing.

Chairman and Director’s Report

On Sept. 18, a ribbon cutting ceremony will be held for the new terminal at the Washington Co. airport.

Ms. Prigge announced the winners for the service awards to be presented at the annual dinner.

To help prevent distracted driving, the Missouri Coalition for Roadway Safety has teamed up with KRCG-TV and Joe Machen’s Ford to bring the problem into focus. From now until Nov. 6, the coalition is urging drivers to Focus on the Road as part of a promotion to win a 2015 Ford Focus donated by KRCG and the Machen’s Dealership.

Throughout the course of the campaign representatives of KRCG will be engaging high school and college students across the state in assemblies and campus meetings to educate on the importance of driving distraction free. Guest speakers from ThinkFirst Missouri will be sharing first hand experiences and the

consequences of distracted driving. During these visits students will be encouraged to sign a pledge to drive distraction free, and place their name in the drawing for the Ford Focus. KRCG and Think First will visit Potosi High School on Oct. 12 at 12:30 p.m. to talk with juniors and seniors about taking the pledge to drive distraction free.

NADO announced that MRPC, Boonslick RPC and Mid-Missouri RPC have won the Innovation Award for Missouri Mobility Management Planning.

DNR's Onsite Sewer grant/loan program is set to roll out.

Adjourn

T.R. Dudley made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m.; Don Brackhahn seconded the motion. The motion carried.