Big Sandy Area Development District
Board of Directors Meeting
March 28, 2017 – 11:30 a.m. – District Meeting Room

MEMBERS PRESENT
Judge-Executive Ben Hale
Judge-Executive Charles Hardin, by proxy Mr. Mike Wilson
Judge-Executive Bill Deskins
Mayor Les Stapleton
Mayor Bill Mike Runyon
Mayor Pete Shepherd
Mayor Jimmy Carter, by proxy Mr. Sean Cochran
Mayor Andrew Scott
Mr. Mark McKenzie
Mr. Millow McCarty
Ms. Nita Collier
Ms. Lillian Wheeler
Mr. Don Cecil
Mr. Brian Morris, by proxy Mr. Scott Sykes
Ms. Susan Howard

GUESTS PRESENT
Ms. Deanna Jessie, Kentucky Prescription Assistance Program
Mr. Adam Rice, Congressman Rogers’ office
Ms. Bertha Daniels, AppalRed
Mr. Bobby McCool, BSCTC

STAFF PRESENT
Ms. Sandy Runyon Ms. Janice Prater
Ms. Terry Trimble Ms. Denise Thomas
Ms. Sandra Justice Ms. Liz Hamilton
Mr. Greg Salyers Ms. Misha Curnutte
Ms. Sharlet Butler Ms. Peggy Thompson
After a quorum was determined to be present, the chair called the meeting to order. He took the liberty of introducing guests.

The minutes from the January 24, 2017 Annual Meeting were approved with a motion and a second from Mr. Millow McCarty and Mayor Pete Shepherd. Motion carried. The agenda was reviewed and approved with a motion and a second by Mayor Les Stapleton and Mr. Don Cecil. Motion carried.

Mr. Greg Salyers gave the financial report. At this time we have $690,000 cash in the general fund account and $353,000 in the ED RLF account; we are aggressively seeking applicants for the Revolving Loan Fund Program. The Balance Sheet was presented for review, reflecting approximately $1.4 million Fund Balance. Our Accounts Receivables are a little high but well within the expected margin. Program balance reports were next and indicated that we are on target for being 2/3 through the year. The Financial Report was approved with a motion and a second from Mr. Millow McCarty and Mr. Mark McKenzie. Motion carried.

The Executive Review report was presented for approval. Projects included:

- Magoffin County Siren Project Phase IV - $32,974
- City of Pikeville Police Station Generator - $30,100
- Coal Run Village Cowpen Drainage Project - $239,972
- Floyd County Communications Project (Phase 1) - $64,172.73
- Big Sandy Regional DMARCS Communications Project (BSADD Project) - $49,245.66
- Prestonsburg First Responder Communications Project - $166,598.55
- PCUC – US 23 Banner Community Sewer System (KIA Funds) - $2,159,650

The Executive Review was approved with a motion and a second by Mr. Millow McCarty and Mayor Pete Shepherd. Motion carried.

There was no “old business” to be brought before the board.

**New Business**

The FY 18 Aging Plan was reviewed by the Aging Advisory Council and is recommending this plan for board approval. With a motion and a second by Mr. Mark McKenzie and Mayor Les Stapleton, the plan was approved. Motion carried.

The chair recognized Ms. Deanna Jessie with the Prescription Assistance Program. She explained to the board that she was available for assistance to any agency, fiscal court, or individual to help with their prescriptions.

Ms. Runyon recommended that Ms. Melissa King be moved into full-time in her current position of Family Caregiver Coordinator with a start date of April 1, 2017. Ms. King has been working part-time in this position since July 2016 and is the best candidate for this program. A
motion and a second from Mr. Mike Wilson and Mayor Les Stapleton approved the recommendation. Motion carried.

Ms. Runyon then pointed the board’s attention to the Aging Advisory Council’s board report provided for information in each packet.

Directors Comments

Mayor Terry Fraley has resigned from his position as Mayor of Inez and his seat on the board. The Mayor Pro-tem has stepped up. Terry did a good job and we’ll miss him. Sandy said we will send him a letter and certificate expressing our appreciation for his service to this ADD and the Board of Directors.

The Legislative session is almost over. HB 189 that dealt with transparency and accountability passed the House and the Senate and has been signed into law by the Governor. We agree with everything in that bill so long as we are not required to pay for an additional audit that includes what we already provide. An ADD committee continues to be in discussion with the State Auditor’s office to assure that we all are compliant with the new law. This ADD already does most of what HB 189 requires except for the web posting of checks we have written to vendors. We are working on a format that does not break any other privacy rules/laws.

HB 431 was filed by Rep. DuPlessis of Elizabethtown relating to the Joint Funding Administration (JFA) and how those dollars are distributed among the 15 ADDs. It also includes numerous other requirements that potentially would remove local control from the ADD Boards; it also mentions possibly redistricting of ADD boundaries. It has passed out of a House committee but without consent so further discussion will take place. If it does not move further this session, it, or something similar, will most likely come up again next year. This current bill would allow the legislators (instead of the ADDs and DLG) to determine how the JFA dollars were distributed to the ADDs.

We have received our FY ’17 Audit Proposal letter from Lynnette Schindler, CPA and expect that to begin in November.

Ms. Runyon attended the ARC Conference in Washington. Congressman Rogers says he doesn’t expect the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) to be de-funded as a result of the President’s budget proposal. It is vital to the 13 states it serves and particularly to the coal fields at this time.

SOAR will have their Summit on August 4, 2017 in Pikeville. It is one day on a Friday.

The Congressman and Senator McConnell have filed the Reclaim Act. We are hoping that will pass which would release much needed Abandoned Mine Land (AML) dollars into the region.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned.