Big Sandy Area Development District
Board Of Directors Meeting
October 22, 2019 – 11:30 a.m. – District Meeting Room

MEMBERS PRESENT

Judge-Executive Mark McKenzie
Judge-Executive Matt Wireman, by proxy Mr. Don Cecil
Judge-Executive Bo Davis, by proxy Ms. Nita Collier
Mayor Les Stapleton, by proxy Ms. Miranda Shepherd
Mayor Bill Mike Runyon
Mayor Pete Shepherd
Mayor Ed Daniels
Mr. Chase Caudill
Mr. Don Cecil
Mr. Reggie Hickman
Mr. Lyndon Butcher
Mr. Jimmy Salyer
Ms. Nita Collier
Ms. Rhonda Blanton, by proxy Ms. Kim Williams

GUESTS PRESENT

Mr. Mike Mullins, Summit Engineering
Mr. Dennis Hall, Inez City Commissioner
Ms. Regina Triplett Jones, Senator Rand Paul’s Office
Mr. Adam Rice, Congressman Hal Rogers Office
Mr. Tim Hatfield, CEO, Highlands ARH
Ms. Donna McClure, Senator Mitch McConnell’s office
Mr. Matt Crawford, Kentucky Geological Survey

STAFF PRESENT

Mr. Ben Hale Ms. Janice Prater
Ms. Terry Trimble Ms. Retha Mullins
Ms. Elizabeth Hamilton Mr. Steve Jones
Mr. Eric Ratliff Mr. Greg Slayers
Mr. Barry Davis Ms. Sharon May
Ms. Sharlett Butler Ms. Peggy McKenzie
Mr. Brandon Montgomery
Judge-Executive Mark McKenzie, in the absence of the chair, called the meeting to order after a quorum was determined to be present. Judge McKenzie asked for a motion to amend the agenda to move Mr. Matt Crawford up to Public Comments and to add under new business, office closure for Election Day and surplus office furniture. A motion and a second by Mayor Pete Shepherd and Mayor Ed Daniels approved the amended agenda. Motion carried.

Mr. Matt Crawford with Kentucky Geological Survey addressed the board. He explained that through a FEMA grant they were assessing hazards, development and susceptibility of Landslides in the Big Sandy region. They will then communicate the results to all stakeholders in an effort to get on the front end of the risk, rather than the reactive end. He explained that there had been two stakeholder meetings so far, one in March and one just prior to the board meeting. The next one will be after the first of the year.

The minutes of the September 24, 2019 meeting were reviewed and with no changes a motion and a second were made by Mayor Ed Daniels and Mayor Bill Mike Runyon. Motion carried.

Mr. Greg Salyers gave the Financial Report. He told the board that at the end of September we had a little over 1 million in the bank. We are a little underspent due to the AML work just getting started. We are on track for where we should be at this time of year. The FY19 audit is being completed and sent to the Kentucky Department of Audits for their approval. He hopes to have it presented at the next meeting. A motion and a second to approve the Financial Report were made by Ms. Nita Collier and Mayor Ed Daniels. Motion carried.

There were two executive review projects submitted during the past month:

- Pikeville/Pike County Airport Board for a section of runway 9-27 which has sunk. The repair project is for $250,000.00.
- Martin County Water District for Water system improvements in support of the USP Big Sandy, East Kentucky Business Park and the Big Sandy Regional Airport for $2,000,000.00.

A motion and a second by Ms. Nita Collier and Mayor Bill Mike Runyon approved the report. Motion carried.

Mr. Hale told the board that the Floyd County Court Clerk visited him and advised that it would be a good idea to close for business on November 5, 2019 – Election Day, because of difficulty in parking to vote since this office is an official precinct. A motion and a second were made by Mayor Ed Daniels and Mayor Bill Mike Runyon to approve the day off. Motion carried.

Mr. Hale told the board that we had several old pieces of office furniture that he would like to surplus to our cities and counties. He asked for a motion to surplus and dispose of in an appropriate manner. A motion and a second by Mayor Pete Shepherd and Mayor Bill Mike Runyon approved the request. Motion carried.
The next agenda item was for approval to open a separate checking account for the eKami Prison AML Pilot Project. A motion and a second by Ms. Nita Collier and Mayor Ed Daniels approved the request. Motion carried.

Ms. Retha Mullins had four personnel requests for new hires for the SNAP E & T Program through KY Works. They are as follows:

- Camrie Travers - Snap E&T Coordinator in Fayette County and the surrounding Bluegrass Area - start date 11/12/19, with an annual salary of $27,775.00.
- Venita Webb - Snap E&T Specialist in Floyd and Pike counties - start date of 11/12/19, with an annual salary of $25,775.00.
- Patches Middleton - Snap E&T Specialist in Harlan and Bell counties - start date of 11/12/19, with an annual salary of $25,775.00.
- Carolyn Johnson - KWP Employment Specialist in Perry and Leslie counties - start date of 11/12/19, with an annual salary of $25,775.00.

Ms. Mullins explained that they had already received 343 referrals in the last 3 months. A motion and a second by Mayor Ed Daniels and Mayor Bill Mike Runyon approved the recommendations. Motion carried.

Mr. Hale invited Mr. Tim Hatfield, CEO Highlands ARH to address the board. He explained that they were basically rebranding Highlands Hospital and invited everyone to come visit the newer facility.

**Directors Comments**

KCADD hired Mr. Bill Cooper as the Business Manager for all 15 ADD's. His purpose is to facilitate a solution to the dwindling funding in our Aging Programs. They have discussed contracting with private insurance companies for short term case management to prevent re-hospitalization or trips back to the emergency room after a hospital discharge and to identify obstacles to keeping patients healthy. The corresponding ADD's would provide the case management.

Mr. Hale informed the board on “Community Healthcare Connections” partnerships with KY Medicare and Medicaid Health Plans. Community Service Partnerships opportunities have been made available due to regulations passed under the 2018 Chronic Care Act. It creates opportunity for ADD's to expand their programs resulting in financial benefits to the ADD as well as health plans serving Kentucky. The ADD’s have experience and infrastructure in place and are currently providing or has the capability to provide these services. These new partnerships will improve our regions outcomes and reduce health related costs as well as improve the health in our communities, but most importantly provide our clients an improved quality of life.
Mt. Comp Care received grant funding in the amount of $1.5 M to convert Osborne Elementary into an outpatient drug rehab. Big Sandy ADD will partner through the KY Works Program in transitioning rehabilitated folks back into the workplace.

With the December meeting date falling on Christmas Eve it was decided that there will not be a meeting in December.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned.