

Two Rivers Regional Council of Public Officials
Governing Board Meeting --6/13/19
107 N. 3rd Street, Quincy, IL 62301
6:00p.m.-8:30pm
MINUTES

6:00pm-6:10pm Call Board Meeting to Order/Welcome/Introductions –Max McClelland. Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:05pm. All board members introduced themselves as there were new members to the board.

- **Agenda Changes-Max opened for any changes to the agenda. None were made.
- **Approval of Minutes from May Board Meeting
- Chairman's Report-None given at this time.

6:10pm-6:45pm New Business:

- Klingner & Associates, PC- Megan Peters—Visited Pittsfield outreach center on 5/21/19.

Sent Structural Dept would inspect the structure for \$5,500 to identify issues prioritize them and present a probable cost. The following is not included in the above estimate. Then Architecture estimated to cost \$10K, then Mechanical / Electrical / Plumbing estimated cost of inspection \$3800 - \$4200 and then last environmental inspection, No estimate at this time. They would look into any grant funding that might be available to help with the costs. Sending to Foundation for further discussion and make a decision on if we want to sign them for at least the initial structural inspection.

Discussed with Rachel and Becky P and would still like to consider other options if we can find another building.

- Economic Development Area (EDA)-(Economic Development Director) -- Darrin Fleener (IL & MN) Unable to make it & Dennis Foldenauer, Area Director for Chicago --- Within dept of Commerce, 200 employees. 27 gov't agencies do some form of economic development. Funnel money from gov't directly to the local programs. Around since 1960s. \$400 Million program. Just awarded \$600 Million for disaster relief the country from hurricanes, fires, flooding, etc. \$30 Million in regular funds go to our region. EDA can help provide improved training equipment for programs in workforce development. Great Lakes Region. EDA Investment programs 1. Economic Adjustment, 2. Public works, 3. University Centers, 4. research & Nat'l Technical assistance, 5. Planning (TRRC has a Long-Term Partnership in this program), 6. Local Technical Assistance and 7. Trade Adjustment Assistance for firms. When applying for grants we need to be mindful of other needs in the area. Work with Darren Fleener before applying for grant to see what might be available. Go to StatsAmerica.org to pull information in or region to see what other counties are doing. Offer referral to other government dept or organization to help find assistance when EDA is not able to assist. Areas eligible are High Unemployment, Low Per Capita Income, Special needs. (statesamerica.org)

6:45pm-7:00pm Executive Director's Report – Tamitha R. Ague (motion needed)

- Office Update
 - ***Delegation of Authority Letter--Approved
 - Agency Summer Hours: Mon- Thurs; 8am - 4:30pm; Fri-Closed; Effective June 21, 2019 - September 1, 2019; Reach Out is excluded along with any program based on requirement of the grant.
 - Sublease Letter
 - Quincy Housing Inspection Letter
 - 2019 Spring Session Summary-IL Assoc. of Co. Board Members & Commissions--
 - Agency Support Events
 - June 24- 27, 2019-School Supplies Drive-Quincy office
 - Fundraising Staff Planning Group
 - Dec 7, 2019-8am - 10am-Applebee's Pancake Project

7:00pm-7:30pm Agency Department Reports (motion needed)

- Financial Report--(May 2019) Financial Report--Rachel Rabe
Budget vs Actual is getting closer to accurate. Continuing to work on that.
- Community Action/REACHOUT – Becky Pruden
Had review of LIHEAP program and had no findings.
PIPP – We are now able to add 48 Households to the 372 already in the program.

Weatherization (WX) – Becky Pruden We have 5 Finals with remaining homes done but waiting on the paperwork so we can pay them out. Did some multi-unit facilities 12 units at 1 location and 2 at another across town. If inspections go well, we might try to expand to other counties next year.

CSBG Scholarship program will be available again \$1250 each (1 in each county) and is open to be used for tuition, books, housing, etc.

Schuyler County United Way awarded \$5,500 this year (received on May 7th)

Alley at outreach in Pittsfield will be replaced in the coming weeks.

Rachel went to a Feeding American meeting and was given food form Walmart form this program.

Carolyn Chaney resigned from case worker position in Brown/Schuyler county after 22 years.

- Workforce Development (WIA) – Jeremy Oshner
 - 2019 Affordable Housing Program MOU-Employment Services; Youth Education attached to HUD grant. New housing that will be available for low income, senior and standard rate housing for medical staff that come to the county for short term training.
- Community Development (CD) /Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) –Charles Bell/Earl Bricker
 - ***EDA Revolving Loan Program Administrative Plan
 - CSBG -- In the process of closing out this program.
 - Will have web site completed by the end of the month. No active loans.
 - EDA – \$400,000 available for loans
working on a loan application with buyer of the Casey's bldg.
 - Rural Development - 80,000 available for loans

7:30pm-8:00pm

Old Business:

- **Casey's Building Sale Discussion-Mt. Sterling, IL- Bill
Davis, Versailles, IL--Update-Charles Bell & Tamitha Ague-Charles reported that he was working with Mr. Davis to collect all of the required paperwork for the loan through EDA and the bank. He indicates it should be done by sometime next month at the latest. Tamitha reported that she had met with the attorney Mr. Anastas who indicated the next steps if Mr. Davis does not follow the contract for the sale of the property. No further action is needed with the Sale of Property contract at this time.

8:15pm-8:30pm Public Comment & Announcement Section--Open

8:30pm

motion carried.

Adjournment-Motion to adjourn -Motion to adjourn Charles Bainter, 2nd Peggy Perry. All in favor,

- **Next Meeting Dates: Thursday, July 11, 2019 Brown County TRRC Office, 206 SW Cross St, Mt. Sterling, IL 62353

Respectfully Submitted,

Rebecca Weed, Acting Meeting Secretary