

MINUTES
ABCD REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
AND
MO-KAN REGIONAL COUNCIL

July 27, 2005
7:00 PM

PRESENT:

Michael Johnson, City of Cameron
Jack Euler, Doniphan County
Ruth Ross, DeKalb County
Bill Thornton, Atchison County
Don Moore, Clinton County
Mike Cavanaugh, Atchison County
Galen Weiland, Doniphan County
Wayne Ford, City of Stewartsville
Bob Hart, City of Cameron
Carolyn Harrison, City of St. Joseph

David Laurie, City of Atchison
Robert Slater, City of St. Joseph
Mike Souther, City of Maysville
Cindy Lee Weers, City of Lathrop
Paul Dittimore, Doniphan County
Angela Gallus, City of Weatherby
Mary Montgomery, Village of Country Club
Donna Jean Boyer, City of St. Joseph
Ted Jamison, City of St. Joseph

OTHERS PRESENT: Chris Jamison

Mo-Kan Regional Council Staff Members

Tom Bliss Tye Parsons
John Perrino Jackie Wolf

The combined meetings of ABCD Regional Planning Commission and Mo-Kan Regional Council were held July 27, 2005 at the Mo-Kan Regional Council offices, 1302 Faraon Street, St. Joseph, MO at 7:00 PM with Chairman David Laurie presiding.

Motion to approve minutes of the combined meeting of Mo-Kan Regional Council and ABCD Regional Planning Commission of June 23, 2005 was made by Michael Johnson, seconded by Bill Thornton. Council approved.

ACTION ITEMS

- a) **MK #610 -Community Action Partnership-Head Start-** for the purpose of installing a security system.

Motion for favorable comment was made by Jack Euler, seconded by Don Moore. Council approved.
Mike Souther abstained.

- b) **MK#611 -United Way of Greater St. Joseph-ELOA Discretionary Grant Enrichment through Investment**

Motion for favorable comment was made by Michael Johnson, seconded by Angie Gallus. Council approved

- c) Michael Johnson gave the recommendations from the **Personnel & Budget Committee Resolution 145** changes to the Personnel Manual

Section 608 Business Travel Expense changed from .32 to .35 per mile for travel.

Motion to approve was made by Michael Johnson, seconded by Mike Cavanaugh.

Council Approved 1 opposed

Comment was also made to revisit this subject to raise again if budget allows.

allow
Section 402 Vacation Benefits –employees accrue 24 hours of vacation time to change to employees to accrue 160 hours of vacation time.
Motion to approve was made by Ted Jamison, seconded by Paul Dittimore. Council Approved

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Resolution 146 Create position of Assistant Executive Director. Tye Parsons will fill this position to act on behalf of the Council
Motion to approve was made by Jack Euler, seconded by Bill Thornton. Council Approved

STATUS REPORTS

- a) Community/Regional Planning Activities – Tye Parsons
- Transportation Planning FY 05 closed out and 4th quarter report has been sent to MODOT. New work plan started July 1, 2005 and has been approved with an increase of \$10,000.00 making the total \$48,000.00
 - Senators Bond and Talent are holding a Transportation Meeting at St. Joseph Chamber of Commerce, August 2, 2005 at 9:30am
 - Attended MACOG meeting July 7, 2005, information from that meeting: Homeland Security has funds that most states are having difficulty distributing funds, Regional Councils may have an opportunity to help with this process.
 - EDA version in Senate for full funding and potential for an increase
 - TAC Meeting will be held August 10, 2005 at 9:00am at the Mo-Kan office and open to public
 - Clinton County Hazard Mitigation plan approved by SEMA now waiting on FEMA approval
 - Buchanan County Hazard Mitigation waiting on resolutions from Rushville & Lewis & Clark Village
 - Andrew County Hazard Mitigation waiting on resolution from Cosby
 - July 25, 2005 attended Missouri Census Data Center Workshop—Substantial changes coming for Census 2010
- b) Loan Activity – John Perrino
- John Perrino presented an Agreement to the Loan Review Committee between Mo-Kan Development and **Atchison Family Care, Dr. Schmidt**. The committee recommends the agreement be changed to start a lock box now, and have all payments from the accounts receivable be sent directly to lock box.
Motion was made to accept agreement with changes by Jack Euler, seconded by Ted Jamison. Council Approved.
 - **Welding Productivity** Eric Rygaard, the crane was not in the building as was previously thought but Joel Euler has been in touch with Mr. Rygaard
 - **Ernie's BS in Highland** proposal to buyout one of the partners.
 - **MKDI** was audited by EDA. A few discrepancies were found and we are now correcting them. Overall a good report was given.
 - **Westside Pizza's** 504 loan has closed and SBA as funded. The RLF loan will be paid off but they are questioning the interest due. The payments were deferred and interest accruing at 6% the

debenture rate is 4.8%. **Motion was made to cut interest from 6% to 4.8% by Jack Euler, seconded by Don Moore. Council Approved**

- **Heartland Inn** has been listed with a realtor and trying to find someone to appraise it. They believe they have a potential buyer.

REPORT OF CHAIRMAN- David Laurie

Nothing to report.

REPORT OF DIRECTOR- Tom Bliss

- Tom commented on the staff and how well everyone is doing and work load picking up
- Highland, Ks is applying for the Kan-Step program. This program will provide funds to buy supplies and the City of Highland will supply the labor. They are building a multi-purpose community building.

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- Continuing work on Leona, Ks sidewalk and street program
- Continuing to work on an Emergency Grant for wastewater system for the City of Trimble, Mo.
- Kansas Rural Business Enterprise Grant from 1992 USDA Grant for \$197,000 for 2nd Revolving Loan Fund needed matching money. Tried to get Missouri Rural Business Enterprise Grant for \$150,000, but Missouri denied. Promise of about \$57,000.00. EDA denied the Grant also. Kansas is taking the Grant back since haven't come up with the match.

Motion to send money back to the individuals made by Michael Johnson, seconded by Mike Cavanaugh. Council Approved

OTHER BUSINESS

Ted Jamison introduced his son Chris from South Carolina.

Secretary