

**MINUTES**  
**ABCD REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION**  
**MO-KAN REGIONAL COUNCIL**

**May 28, 2008**  
**7:00 PM**

<b>PRESENT:</b>	Larry Atkins – Andrew County Jim Crenshaw – Clinton County Marvin Chrisman, Village of Country Club Ken Gabriel – Andrew County	Harold Hamm – City of St. Joseph Stephen Hofferber – City of St. Joseph Michael Johnson – City of Cameron Bill Kretzer – Savannah, MO	David Laurie – City of Atchison Ruth Ross – DeKalb County Arletta Walker – City of Fillmore Bill Webb – City of Easton
<b>OTHERS</b>	Jackie Spainhower – MKRC	John Perrino – MKRC	Cassie White – MKRC
<b>PRESENT</b>	Gary Miller - MKRC		

The combined meetings of ABCD Regional Planning Commission and Mo-Kan Regional Council were held May 28, 2008 at the Mo-Kan Regional Council offices, 1302 Faraon Street, St. Joseph, MO at 7:00 PM with Chairperson Ruth Ross presiding.

1. **Ruth Ross called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.**
2. **Motion to amend agenda by adding MK #634 A-95 Clearinghouse request for Clinco Industries. Motion made by Jim Crenshaw, seconded by Mike Johnson. Motion passed unanimously.**
3. **Motion to approve minutes of the combined meeting of Mo-Kan Regional Council and ABCD Regional Planning Commission of April 23, 2008 made by Mike Johnson, seconded by David Laurie. Motion passed unanimously.**
4. **Treasurer's Report – Gary Miller presented Treasurer's Report. Motion to approve report made by Mike Johnson, seconded by Bill Webb. Motion passed unanimously.**
5. **Committee Reports:**
  - A. **Personnel Committee Report – None**
  - B. **Budget and Finance Report – None**
  - C. **Revolving Loan Fund Committee – John Perrino stated RLF Committee would need to meet soon to discuss loans.**
6. **New Business:**
  - A. **MK #634 A-95 Clearinghouse – Clinco Industries, Inc – Evelyn Clemmons from Clinco presented to board that they are applying for one replacement van and one replacement bus through the Federal Highway 5310 Program. Recommendation to approve MK #634, Mike Johnson made motion to approve, seconded by Jim Crenshaw. Motion passed unanimously.**
  - B. **Approval for Homeland Security Grant Program (3% Fiscal Administration) – Jackie Spainhower presented to committee that for fiscal year 2007, Mo-Kan would receive \$14,577.60 to administer this grant. This grant has decreased by half since last year. Motion to approve made by Jim Crenshaw, seconded by Mike Johnson. Motion passed unanimously.**
  - C. **MK #633 A-95 Clearinghouse – Kansas Department of Health and Environment Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund Cooperative Agreement – Jackie Spainhower presented to committee the ongoing project that provides funding to KDHE for the underground storage tank release preventative program. This funding supports KDHE's efforts to mitigate risks to human health and the environment at contaminated UST sites through remediation of soil and groundwater, provision of clean water to affected population, and encouraging reuse of properties with UST's. Total project to cost \$806,000. Recommendation to approve made by David Laurie, seconded by Mike Johnson. Motion passed unanimously.**

**7. Old Business:**

- A. Discuss draft Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy** – Discussion of Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy has been tabled until next month.

**8. Other Business** – None

**9. Status/Staff Reports:**

- A. Community and Regional Planning Activities** – Jackie Spainhower presented to committee that 32 award letters were sent out for the 2007 Homeland Security Grant. There is still \$374,000 left to pay out from 2006's allocation. Jackie said that she is working on a CDBG project for a bridge in Highland, KS, which comes due in October 2008. Jackie also provided an invitation to the board to attend a Regional Legislative Transportation Luncheon in Maryville on June 20, 2008.

- B. Other Staff Reports** – None

- C. Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Update** – Cassie White updated committee on current CDBG projects. Highland's Community Center/Fire Station is still under construction. There was in internal monitoring with Kan-Step regarding the grant, and everything is in compliance. The City of Cameron is undergoing construction on the McElwain Drive Extension and is nearing 80% completion. Trimble is ready to start spending funds on their Sanitary Sewer Project. Cosby's Sanitary Sewer System has their second bid letting on June 6, 2008. Turney is still seeking local funding before a CDBG application can be submitted.

**10. Report of Chair** – None

**11. Report of Director:**

- A. Four-State Professional Development Conference** – Jackie Spainhower presented on behalf of Tom Bliss that the Conference was held May 5-7 at Stoney Creek Inn in St. Joseph, MO. There were over 70 in attendance.

- B. Workforce Development Director** – Jackie Spainhower presented on behalf of Tom Bliss that Connie Heard was hired as director.

- C. Assessments will be mailed next month**

- D. Member Visits** – Jackie Spainhower presented on behalf of Tom Bliss that she and Tom recently met with Christy Isaacs and Justin Der, City Manager in Atchison, KS. Christy is their new Economic Developer.

**Meeting adjourned.**

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