

**Purchase Area Development District
Transportation Committee Meeting
Minutes
March 24, 2010**

Transportation Committee Members present (categorized by representation):

Committee members attendance, asterisk denotes absent

City/County Government

Greg Pruitt
Vickie Viniard
Tommy Hodges
Jessica Scillian
Tony Smith*
Peyton Mastera/Proxy for Matt Mattingly
Kenny Etherton*
Brad Rogers
Steve Ervin*

Intermodal/ Freight

Richard Roof
David Graham
Ken Canter

Commerce/Economic Development

Josh Sommer/ Proxy for Dan Key

Local Roads

Gary Atkins*
Larry Tolbird

Public & School Transportation

Richard Overby*
Jason Riley
Paul Maxwell*

Citizen Members

Juliana Reyes
Jimmy Henley*
Eugene McDonald*
Leann Wilkerson*
Dwayne Stice
Douglas Tucker
Delphine Operle*

KYTC District One

Tim Choate
Jessica Herring

Guests

Zana Renfro, MSSA Coordinator
Jeff Thompson, KACO

Purchase ADD Staff

Mark Davis

Stacey Courtney

Cathy Holshouser

I. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Vice Chairman Greg Pruitt welcomed the guests and members of the Transportation Committee to the meeting.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vice Chairman Pruitt asked the board to read the Minutes of December 9, 2009 meeting. Following the review of the minutes, **J/E Vickie Viniard made a motion to accept the Minutes as presented and was seconded by Mr. Richard Roof. The motion passed unanimously.**

III. REVIEW AND RANK SECTION 5310 APPLICATIONS

Mr. Mark Davis stated that there was only one 5310 Application. The 5310 is a capital program that funds vehicles for agencies that serve elderly and/or disabled persons. The Paducah McCracken County Senior Citizens is the only agency that applied; therefore, there was no evaluation & prioritization process to conduct. Mark & Stacey will still put the numbers into the formula. **Mr. Dwayne Stice made a motion to approve the recommendation and Mr. Brad Rogers seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

IV. ZANA RENFRO-PURCHASE AREA REGIONAL TRANSIT

Vice Chairman Pruitt introduced Ms. Zana Renfro, the Region 1 Mobility Services for All Americans Coordinator (MSAA). Ms. Renfro gave a brief history of the Purchase Area Regional Transit program (PART) and how it was created through a federal grant process. Members of PART include Paducah Area Transit, Murray Calloway County Transit Authority, Fulton County Transit Authority and Easter Seals West Kentucky. Ms. Renfro explained that MSAA is a research initiative created by the USDOT to increase mobility, accessibility and ridership through integration of transportation service and resources through the use of technology. Western Kentucky was chosen as one of the three sites nationally to participate in this program. The website www.ridePART.com has been created to make it possible to coordinate services. The grand opening for PART was held on March 10, 2010 in Paducah. There was a time for questions and answers afterwards.

Mr. Stacey Courtney thanked Ms. Renfro for coming today. He asked everyone to please take the information back to their communities and help spread the word about this tremendous regional asset.

V. 2010-2016 KYTC RECOMMENED ROAD PLAN

Mr. Stacey Courtney presented the committee with the 2010 Kentucky Transportation Cabinet Recommended Highway Plan that was presented to the General Assembly during the current 2010 Legislative session. Mr. Courtney stated that the House version of the plan had been passed and the Senate is currently reviewing the plan.

VI. TIM CHOATE-UPDATE ON 6YR PROJECTS IN DISTRICT 1

Mr. Tim Choate with the District One Highways introduced Ms. Jessica Herring, the new Section Supervisor in Planning. She will be the contact person for the district. Mr. Choate explained the implementation of the 6YR Projects in District One. He stated that on the recommended plan that there

are projects that the committee recommended in Marshall, Calloway, and Ballard counties. There was a time for questions and answers.

VII. KENTUCKY FREIGHT FOCUS NETWORK

Mr. Courtney discussed with the committee the Kentucky Freight Focus Road Network. The KYTC asked us to review the current network identified in the Purchase and inform them of any changes. Mr. Courtney noted that he plans to recommend one change; KY 121 between Mayfield and Murray should be replaced by the new four lane KY 80. Mr. Courtney asked the committee to please notify him of any other suggested changes before April 30th.

Mr. Courtney also informed the committee that KYTC asked us to review the NHS Intermodal Connectors Listing. He stated that there are only 20 listings for the state and one is located in the Purchase. The Amtrak station in Fulton is the only location on the NHS listing under the primary criteria identified by FHWA. IN addition to the state's primary listing, locations can be added under the FHWA secondary criteria requirements. He noted that the Paducah and Hickman Riverports are identified by the state under the secondary criteria. It was suggested that Barkley Regional Airport could possibly be added under the secondary criteria because of its major significance to the region. Mr. Courtney informed the committee he would present the recommended addition of the airport to the Division of Planning.

VIII. OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Richard Roof gave an update on the new air service to Chicago at Barkley Regional Airport.

There was no other business.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

X. ADJOURN

Mr. Stacey Courtney thanked the committee for attending today's meeting.

Mr. Doug Tucker made a motion to adjourn and was seconded by Mr. Dwayne Stice. The motion passed unanimously.