

Land of Sky Regional Council
December 7, 2016
Regular Meeting



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AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Invocation
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Roll Call
- V. Modification and Approval of Agenda
- VI. Public Comment
- VII. Recognition of Special Guests
- VIII. Chairman's Comments and Roundtable
- IX. Approval of Minutes from the October Regular Meeting
- X. Consideration and Approval of Consent Agenda Items
 - A. October FY2016 Treasurer's Report
- XI. Presentations/Recognition
 - A. Transportation Demand Management Program – Ritchie Rozzelle, TDM Coordinator
 - B. Contracts for Service/Fee for Service Programs – Justin Hembree, Executive Director
- XII. Old Business
- XIII. New Business
- XIV. Executive Director's Report
 - A. Holiday Closings
- XIV. Important Dates
- XV. Adjournment



BOARD OF DELEGATES AGENDA ITEM

- Subject:** October Board of Delegates Meeting Minutes
- Item Number:** IX. Approval of Minutes from the October Regular Meeting
- Responsible Party:** Zia Rifkin, Administrative Services
- Attachment(s):** Minutes from the meeting of October 2016
- Background:** Attached is the October 2016 Board of Delegates meeting minutes
- Staff Recommendation:** Recommend acceptance of the October meeting minutes.
- Suggested Motion(s):** Move to approve the October meeting minutes as submitted

Meeting of
Land of Sky Regional Council Board of Delegates
October 26, 2016

Minutes

- I. Call to Order - Chairwoman Mennella called the meeting to order at 1:00pm.
- II. Invocation - The invocation was given by Charles Dickens
- III. Pledge of Allegiance - All stood as the Chairwoman led the Delegates in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- IV. Roll Call - The roll was called by Justin Hembree. The following members were present: Tim Moffitt, Larry Rogers, Gwen Wisler, George Goosmann, Larry Harris, Anne Coletta, Bob Davy, Steve Caraker, Dona Mennella, George Morosani, Charles Dickens, and Kathe Harris. The following guests were present: April Riddle, DAAS staff (2). It was announced that a quorum was present.
- V. Modification and Approval of Agenda - The agenda was presented for consideration with no modifications requested. Gwen Wisler moved to approved the agenda as presented. Kathe Harris seconded the motion which carried without further discussion.
- VI. Public Comment – The public comment period was opened. No comments were heard.
- I. Recognition of Special Guests – At the beginning of the meeting, LeeAnne Tucker introduced Susan Merrill and Heather Berkhart from DAAS.
- II. Chairman’s Comments and Roundtable – Dona Mennella – Shared that in the Town of Laurel Park, a Boy Scout troop came to Rhododendron Park and pulled out roots and camped. She also shared that the Town is on voluntary water restrictions. Charles Dickens – Shared that the Regional Advisory Council on Aging held a retreat last month- more will be reported on that later. Tim Moffitt – Shared that the Buncombe Commission approved property re-evaluations at their October 18th meeting. He commented that re-valuations may be high but it is the property tax rate that is the most important. The county is in the art business now and will be picking out art for the new courthouse. Larry Harris – Shared that the Town of Black Mountain is still rejoicing in the good news of Avadim and appreciates all of the hard work done by Erica Anderson for the EDA grant which she has been working on for several months which would fund infrastructure in the Town. April Riddle – Shared that the recovery portion of Hurricane Matthew has been completed and that fortunately the state’s rainy day fund was built up prior to the storm. Donations are still needed for citizens impacted by the hurricane. The focus is now on FEMA setting up housing for folks dislocated by the storm. Steve Caraker – the City of Hendersonville held a public meeting to unveil the plans for the hosiery mill for a multi-story hotel on the backside of the mill and the hope that this will help to revitalize the old industrial area. Gwen Wisler – Shared that the City of Asheville is celebrating the SoCon basketball tournament returning to Asheville. Also, the elected staff are busy advocating for the bond referendum. Kathe Harris – Shared for Volunteer Services that the Foster Grandparent Program (FGP) was the benefactor of a large donation of dolls. Those will be auctioned off next Wednesday. Anne Coletta – Shared that in the Village of Flat Rock AmeriCorps workers came in to help with the invasive plants issue in the park. The group has come in a couple of time over the past few years to help with the park. Bob Davy – Shared that the Town of Fletcher has additional development going on. He also shared that on Saturday, November 5th there will be a Veterans’ salute. Lastly, the Town has an early voting site that has been very busy since it opened. George Goosmann – Shared that the Town of Biltmore Forest is doing fine- two commissioners and the town manager went to Raleigh for the Town Hall.
- III. Approval of Minutes from the August Regular Meeting – George Goosmann moved to approve the minutes of the September meeting as submitted. Bob Davy seconded and the motion carried without further discussion.

IV. Consideration and Approval of Consent Agenda Items – Charles Dickens moved to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of: Item A. September FY 2016 Treasurer’s Report; B. Transportation Demand Management Program Resolution; C. National Family Caregiver Month Proclamation; and D. LOSRC 2017 Meeting Schedule & Holiday Closings. Bob Davy seconded and the motion carried without further discussion.

V. Presentations/Recognition -

A. Dementia Friendly WNC – Cathy Hebert, Co-facilitator for Dementia Friendly WNC shared that this is an innovative program supported by LOSRC/AAA. Dementia friendly communities are growing around the country. Dementia is the only top 10 leading cause of death that has no cure. People living with the condition do so without much support and dementia friendly communities seek to alleviate that condition. Dementia sufferers are stigmatized which results in isolation. President Obama has declared the USA a dementia friendly nation. Such a community is informed, safe and respectful of individuals with dementia and their families; provides supportive options across all community sectors and fosters quality of life. The goal of Dementia Friendly WNC is to foster quality of life for those suffering from dementia. In North Carolina, reaching those dementia patients who are underserved is a goal. More information can be found on the website www.dfamerica.org.

Cathy Hebert continued that in WNC, 22.7% of the population is over age 65. Age is the number one risk factor for dementia. In the LOSRC region 10000 folks live with dementia. Dementia Friendly WNC was developed to bring together the various components of dementia care including healthcare, social well-being, spiritual health, etc. it’s the little things that make a big difference to folks living with dementia. Dementia Friendly WNC is looking to create an action team which includes people with dementia, family caregivers, local government representatives, adult day programs, employers, community members, caregiver support providers and others. Memory Care provides holistic services for dementia patients. People living with dementia can have a lot to offer but can have issues with transportation and other aspects of daily life that cause them to become isolated. Local government is at the forefront of whom dementia patients and their families interact with on a regular basis. It would be helpful if elected officials had information about dementia and its’ impacts on a person’s life. The group will be working with TRIAD to understand the financial abuses that people with dementia face.

Discussion occurred regarding delegates’ personal experience with dementia. Information was also shared about the agencies that provide services to dementia sufferers. There is some help with transportation (in Buncombe County), but more needs to be done to help get folks out in the community. It was also shared that Alzheimer’s is one form of dementia- other forms include vascular dementia and all forms include cognitive impairment. Charles Dickens commented about the last mile issue– getting families of dementia patients involved as often they are isolated too. A lot of folks do not know about the resources that are available. Tim Moffitt shared about a missing piece which is elder abuse and which is driven by a lack of understanding. Recommended connecting with the district attorney’s office. Justin Hembree shared about how important caregiver support is for families dealing with dementia.

Carol McLimans, Family Caregiver Support Specialist for LOSRC shared that there are handouts available to show the value in terms of dollars that caregivers contribute while providing family care. She also shared that there will be a free event at Beverly Hills Baptist Church to recognize caregivers coming up in the near future.

B. Transportation Demand Management Program – This presentation was tabled until the next meeting.

VI. Old Business

XIII. New Business

- XIV. Executive Director's Report – Justin Hembree thanked everyone who was able to attend the Annual Celebration- it was a great event for LOSRC's 50th Anniversary. He also encouraged everyone to take a look at the annual report which provides a lot of great information on the region.

Justin Hembree shared that the offices of the COG in Lumberton have been completely flooded due to Hurricane Matthew. Statewide, COG directors are looking for a way to find funds to send to the area. Needed most are bottled water and plastic garbage bags to help with clean-up.

April Riddle shared that there is not a lot of room to store supplies in the flood impacted areas. Gift cards can also be donated to help folks impacted and to help their local economies.

- XV. Important Dates – Council's final meeting of 2016 will be held on Wednesday, December 7th. LOSRC offices will be closed for the Veterans' Day holiday on November 11th.

Erica Anderson introduced Lindsay Broughel who will be working with ECD as a planner.

- XIV. Adjournment – George Goosmann moved to adjourn the meeting and Charles Dickens seconded and the meeting stood adjourned.



BOARD OF DELEGATES AGENDA ITEM

- Subject:** October FY2016 Treasurer's Report
- Item Number:** X. Consent Agenda, Item A
- Responsible Party:** Vickie Thomas, Finance Director
- Attachment(s):** October FY2016 Treasurer's Report
- Background:** Attached is the October FY2016 Treasurer's Report. The report outlines year-to-date revenues and expenditures. Also included is cash balance informaton, fund balance reporting, and member dues information.
- Staff Recommendation:** Recommend acceptance of October's FY2016 Treasurer's Report.
- Suggested Motion(s):** The Treasurer's Report, if not pulled, will be accepted as part of the motion to approve the consent agenda.

**Land of Sky Regional Council
Treasurer's Report
October, 2016**

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>
<u>YTD Report of Receipts & Expenditures</u>		
Total Annual Budget	\$ 14,237,983	
Year-to-Date Revenues	\$ 2,744,783	19.28%
Year-to-Date Expenditures	(3,276,692)	23.01%
Grant/Contract Cash Balance	<u>\$ (531,909)</u>	
Year-to-Date Target Percent		33.33%

Cash Balance Report

Total Cash Balance at 10/1	\$ 1,495,634
Cash Received during month	875,295
Cash Expenditures for month	<u>(926,780)</u>
Total Cash Balance at 10/31	<u>\$ 1,444,149</u>

Fund Balance Report at 6/30/15 (Audited)

Unassigned	\$ 421,440
Restricted-Stabilized by State Statute	683,850
Total Fund Balance	<u>\$ 1,105,290</u>

Assessments (Dues) Report

YTD Billed to Member Governments, 2nd quarter	\$ 109,146
Collected to Date	<u>(103,481)</u>
Balance Due	<u>\$ 5,665</u>



BOARD OF DELEGATES AGENDA ITEM

- Subject:** Transportation Demand Management Program in the French Broad River MPO Region
- Item Number:** XI. Presentations/Recognition; Item A.
- Responsible Party:** Ritchie Rozzelle, TDM Coordinator
- Attachment(s):** N/A
- Background:** The TDM program provides resources for companies and individuals to plan commutes that get people to work in ways beyond one person, one car. The program uses an online platform- GO Mountain Commuting to solve transportation challenges through the use of carpools, vanpools, transit and active commutes.
- Staff Recommendation:** N/A
- Suggested Motion(s):** N/A



BOARD OF DELEGATES AGENDA ITEM

Subject: Executive Director's Report

Item Number: XIII. Executive Director's Report

Responsible Party: Justin Hembree, Executive Director

Attachment(s):

Background: The following items will be presented as part of the Executive Director's Report:

- A. Holiday Closings

Staff Recommendation: N/A.

Suggested Motion(s): N/A