

MINUTES

PTRC Board of Delegates

October 15, 2014

Members Present:

Marikay Abuzuaiter, City of Greensboro
Kevin Austin, Yadkin County
Bill Bencini, Guilford County
Joe Bennett, City of Thomasville
Jimmy Blake, Town of Biscoe
Buddy Boggs, Town of Haw River
Jeff Bullins, Town of Mayodan
Mary Cameron, Village of Clemmons
Terry Caviness, Town of Liberty
Sharon Conaway, Town of Walnut Cove
Perry Conner, Town of Franklinville
John "Jay" Donecker, City of Reidsville
Alvin Foster, Town of Yanceyville
Buck Golding, Surry County
Carissa Graves, Town of Green Level
Nathaniel Hall, Caswell County
Lestine Hutchens, Town of Elkin
Ernest Lankford, Stokes County
Molly Leight, City of Winston-Salem
Peggy Leight, Town of Walkertown
Will Marklin, Town of Mocksville
Linda Massey, Alamance County
John McDermon, Town of Rural Hall
Billy McHone, Village of Tobaccoville
Wayne Moore, Town of Jonesville
Jackie Morris, Montgomery County
Tim Sessoms, Town of Summerfield
Tobin Shepherd, City of Lexington
Tracey Shifflette, Town of Kernersville
Bert Lance Stone, City of Archdale
Don Truell, Davidson County
Chip Turner, City of Graham
Keith Volz, Town of Jamestown
Larry Ward, Town of Denton
Leonard Williams, Town of Gibsonville
Steve Yokeley, City of Mount Airy

Members Absent:

Lori Armstrong, Town of Stoneville
Wayne Atkins, Town of Dobson
William Baity, Town of Boonville
Frank Bruno, Town of Stokesdale
Dillard Burnette, City of King
Zane Cardwell, Rockingham County
Darryl Carter, City of Eden
Jim Davis, City of High Point
Monta Davis-Oliver, Town of Yadkinville
Mike Dawkins, City of Randleman
Debra Frazier, City of Trinity
Darrell Frye, Randolph County
Michelle Leonard, Town of Bethania
Walter Marshall, Forsyth County
Dennis Paschal, Town of Wentworth
John Peterson, Town of Elon
Brenda Platt, Town of Madison
Dan Pugh, Town of Lewisville
Terry Renegar, Davie County
Kenneth Rethmeier, Town of Bermuda Run
Naydine Sharpe, Village of Alamance
Danny Shaw, Town of Ramseur
Earl Sheppard, Town of Pilot Mountain
David Smith, City of Asheboro
Mike Stone, Town of Oak Ridge
Ron Surgeon, Town of Pleasant Garden
Laurence Todd, Town of East Bend
Ronnie Wall, City of Burlington
Chris Watkins, Town of Troy
Branson Webb, Town of Mount Gilead
Janet Whitt, Town of Danbury
Steve Yokeley, Town of Wallburg

Chairman Molly Leight welcomed the PTRC Board of Delegates and called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. She requested a moment of silence and then led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Consent Agenda, Molly Leight, PTRC Chairman

- a. Request for approval of August 20, 2014 PTRC Executive Committee minutes
- b. Request for authorization to enter into contract with the NCDAAS & local service providers for state Senior Center General Purpose funding for the period of July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015
- c. Request to establish a Water Resources Advisory Committee to address high nutrient levels in High Rock Lake
- d. Request for authorization to amend the HCVP Administrative Plan – Project Based Vouchers
 - i. A motion was made by Mr. Jimmy Blake.
 - ii. The motion was seconded by Mr. Steve Yokeley.
 - iii. The Consent Agenda items were approved.

2. Action Item: Request for authorization to enter into water quality grant contracts, Cy Stober, Water Resources Manager

- a. Mr. Stober began by explaining that in 2013, PTRC renewed a proposal to the NC Clean Water Management Trust Fund to conduct a watershed restoration plan for the 40-square mile Swearing Creek watershed in Davidson County and the City of Lexington. The CWMTF awarded the PTRC \$75,000 for this project in August 2014.
- b. He added that this creek drains directly to High Rock Lake, currently a focused study by the NC Division of Water Resources and the likely recipient of a nutrient management strategy in the near future. This planning effort will enable both jurisdictions to address local watershed concerns including stormwater and agricultural runoff, and will be the final local plan that addresses water quality concerns in Davidson County. The City of Lexington and Davidson County are providing significant staff resources for this project.
- c. He stated that he is requesting for Board permission to enter into contracts with the NC Clean Water Management Trust Fund. This project will cover two fiscal years and partly support the work of four planning staff. No cash match is required for this project.
- d. There being no questions, a motion was made by Mr. Keith Volz.
- e. The motion was seconded by Mr. Nate Hall.
- f. Request for authorization to enter into water quality grant contracts was approved.

3. Informational Item: Pursuit of Kresge Foundation support for “Advancing the Effectiveness and Resilience of Multiservice Organizations”, Jesse Day, Senior Regional Planner

- a. Mr. Day began by explaining that in order to optimize PTRC’s organizational performance and service, PTRC staff requests input and approval to draft and submit a proposal to the Kresge Foundation by the end of the 2014 calendar year.
- b. The Kresge Foundation is a private foundation with a mission of addressing the needs of impoverished communities in the United States. This funding opportunity

offers one- or multi-year grants to serve the needs of “...multiservice organizations...[that] provide critically needed assistance to individuals and families living in poverty...” These grants are focused on three areas: improving programs, enhancing infrastructure (loosely defined), and bolstering people. Unlike most other Kresge Foundation grants, government entities are eligible for both operating support and project support. They restrict their funding to organizations exceeding a \$1 million annual budget and “...believe that cross-disciplinary, cross-sector partnerships are powerful mechanisms for creating permanent pathways out of poverty and can strengthen human service organizations.”

- c. Lastly, he reminded the Board that PTRC’s programs are designed to serve the needs of our member governments and their constituents. This funding opportunity would greatly enhance collaborative efforts among our departments and member communities to improve our effectiveness and efficiency in serving our members.

4. Special Presentations, Matthew Dolge, PTRC Executive Director

a. 2014 Annual Randall Lake Billings Public Service Award

- i. Mr. Dolge stated that the Randall L. Billings Service Award is presented annually to recognize a local government employee that has contributed significantly to regionalism. The award is named in honor of Randy Billings, former director of the PTCOG, in honor of his 36 years of dedicated service to the Piedmont Triad region. The award honors an employee of a local government in the Piedmont Triad that is committed to public service and regionalism.
- ii. Because of their commitment to looking regionally, outside their own jurisdictions, to seek solutions and create opportunities in their communities, the 2nd annual Randall Lake Billings Public Service Award was presented jointly to Frankie Maness, Manager of the City of Graham, Craig Honeycutt, Alamance County Manager, and David Cheek, Manager of the City of Mebane at the PTRC Board of Delegates meeting on October 15, 2014.
- iii. He added that recently these three local governments in Alamance County worked together to land a \$100 million dollar Walmart distribution center projected to provide 450 new jobs in the area. Construction on the project is underway now.
- iv. He concluded by offering congratulations and thanks to Frankie, Craig, and David as representatives of Graham, Alamance County, and Mebane for their commitment to improving the region through cooperation and teamwork.

b. 2014 Annual Grady Hunter Regional Excellence Award

- i. Mr. Dolge stated that since 2001, the Grady Hunter award has been presented to a current PTRC board member who demonstrates dedication and service to the region. The award is named in honor of the late Mr. Grady Hunter, long time Yadkin County Commissioner and member of the NWPCOG’s Board of Delegates for 19 years. The award was designed to

honor an individual dedicated to public service and the issues facing the Piedmont Triad region.

- ii. He then announced that this year's unanimous choice was Davidson County Commissioner and long-time PTRC delegate, Mr. Don Truell. Mr. Truell is currently serving his third consecutive term on the Davidson County Board of Commissioners, and has served as a delegate to the PTCOG/PTRC since 2006. Mr. Truell also serves on the Board of the Piedmont Authority for Regional Transportation, the Davidson County Transportation Board, and the Davidson County Board of Health.
- iii. Mr. Truell has been a faithful public servant in the region for over 46 years. He began his public service career in 1968 when we went to work for the Thomasville Police Department. He worked his way up the ranks in the police department and was named the Police Chief in 1980. He served as Police Chief until he retired in 1994. From 1995 to 1997, he served as a City Councilman for the City of Thomasville, and then served as Mayor of Thomasville from 1997 to 1999.
- iv. In addition to the Grady Hunter Regional Excellence Award, Mr. Truell has also been commissioned as a Kentucky Colonel, and is a past recipient of the NC Order of the Long Leaf Pine.
- v. He concluded by congratulating Mr. Truell and informed him that PTRC sincerely appreciated his years of dedicated service to the region and to the PTRC.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.