

MINUTES

PTRC Board of Delegates

October 21, 2015

Present

Marikay Abuzuaiter, City of Greensboro
Kevin Austin, Yadkin County
Jimmy Blake, Town of Biscoe
Buddy Boggs, Town of Haw River
Dillard Burnette, City of King
Mary Cameron, Village of Clemmons
Zane Cardwell, Rockingham County (*sent alternate – Mark Richardson*)
Terry Caviness, Town of Liberty
Sharon Conaway, Town of Walnut Cove
Perry Conner, Town of Franklinville
Alvin Foster, Town of Yanceyville
Nathaniel Hall, Caswell County
Molly Leight, City of Winston-Salem
Peggy Leight, Town of Walkertown
John McDermion, Town of Rural Hall
Billy McHone, Village of Tobaccoville
Wayne Moore, Town of Jonesville
John Peterson, Town of Elon
Dan Pugh, Town of Lewisville
Tobin Shepherd, City of Lexington
Bert Stone, City of Archdale
Don Truell, Davidson County
Keith Volz, Town of Jamestown
Lenny Williams, Town of Gibsonville
Steve Yokeley, City of Mount Airy

Absent

Latimer Alexander, City of High Point
Lori Armstrong, Town of Stoneville
Dwight Atkins, Town of Pilot Mountain
Wayne Atkins, Town of Dobson
William Baity, Town of Boonville
Joe Bennett, City of Thomasville
Layton Booker, Town of Candor
Frank Bruno, Town of Stokesdale
Jeff Bullins, Town of Mayodan

Absent (continued)

Darryl Carter, City of Eden
Monta Davis-Oliver, Town of Yadkinville
Mike Dawkins, City of Randleman
John "Jay" Donecker, City of Reidsville
John Ferguson, Davie County
Debra Frazier, City of Trinity
Darrell Frye, Randolph County
Carissa Graves, Town of Green Level
Ed Hooks, City of Mebane
Lestine Hutchens, Town of Elkin
Ernest Lankford, Stokes County
Michelle Leonard, Town of Bethania
Will Marklin, Town of Mocksville
Walter Marshall, Forsyth County
Linda Massey, Alamance County
Jackie Morris, Montgomery County
Dennis Paschal, Town of Wentworth
Larry Phillips, Surry County
Brenda Platt, Town of Madison
Damon Prince, Town of Troy
Kenneth Rethmeier, Town of Bermuda Run
Tim Sessoms, Town of Summerfield
Naydine Sharpe, Village of Alamance
Danny Shaw, Town of Ramseur
Tracey Shifflette, Town of Kernersville
David Smith, City of Asheboro
Mike Stone, Town of Oak Ridge
Ron Surgeon, Town of Pleasant Garden
Laurence Todd, Town of East Bend
Chip Turner, City of Graham
Ronnie Wall, City of Burlington
Larry Ward, Town of Denton
Branson Webb, Town of Mount Gilead
Janet Whitt, Town of Danbury
Norman Wilkes, Town of Midway
Steve Yokeley, Town of Wallburg

Chairman Leight welcomed the PTRC Board of Delegates and called the meeting to order. She requested a moment of silence and then led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Dolge thanked everyone for attending this event at Triad Park in Kernersville and was thankful for the great weather. He stated that business would be quickly addressed so that the awards could be recognized at the end of the meeting.

1. Consent Items, Molly Leight, PTRC Chair

- a. Request for approval of August 19, 2015 PTRC Board of Delegates Minutes, Molly Leight, PTRC Chair
- b. Request for authorization to apply for \$64,000 in funding from the Bob Barker Company Foundation, Robin Howell, Criminal Justice Programs Director
- c. Request for authorization for PTRC's Workforce Development Board to receive FY 2015-2016 funding channeled to Forsyth County, from the Department of Transportation Rural Operating Assistance Program (ROAP), William Pass, Workforce Development Assistant Director
- d. Request for re-authorization to apply for up to \$500,000 in EPA Brownfields Assessment Coalition Program funding by October or November 2015, Paul Kron, Regional Planning Director
 - i. There being no questions, a motion was made by Mr. Dan Pugh.
 - ii. The motion was seconded by Mr. Billy McHone.
 - iii. The Consent Items were approved.

2. Executive Director's Report, Matthew Dolge, PTRC Executive Director

- a. Department of Commerce EDA Investment: Mr. Dolge shared a letter from Phillip Paradise, the Regional Director for the US EDA, which was received mid-September. The letter states that the Department of Commerce's EDA has approved PTRC's application for an \$189,000 EDA investment to support the Piedmont Triad Regional Development Corporation's (PTRDC) Partnership Planning program.
- b. Along with technical details of accepting the award, the letter states that EDA's mission is to lead the federal economic development agenda by promoting innovation and competitiveness, preparing American regions for growth and success in the worldwide economy. The letter added that the EDA implements this mission by making strategic investments in the nation's most economically distressed communities that encourage private sector collaboration and creation of higher-skill, higher wage jobs. Lastly, the letter states that EDA investments are results driven, embracing the principles of technological innovation, entrepreneurship and regional development.

3. Informational Items

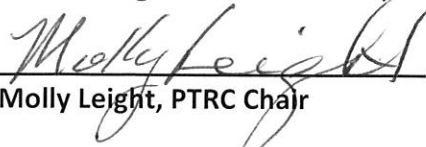
- a. Criminal Justice Monitoring Review: Mr. Dolge made the Executive Committee aware of a letter regarding a Criminal Justice Monitoring Review, which was included in their agenda packet. A summary of the letter can be found below:
 - i. The letter, from Mellin Parker (Planning Senior Project Supervisor, City of Winston-Salem), explains that on May 6, 2015, Ms. Diane Grier met with PTRC staff for a review of Project Reentry's financial files.


- ii. Next, the letter briefly explains Project Reentry, stating that the program provides pre-release and post-release transitional services for ex-offenders returning to Forsyth County after completing active prison sentences. The program helps ex-offenders rehabilitate and become successful members of the community, while promoting community safety. An assigned case manager conducts specific assessments, selects participants, provides case management and arranges clinical services.
 - iii. Of all eight (8) participant files that were reviewed for compliance, all had satisfactory documentation of eligibility and extensive documentation of services and follow-up to clients was found in each file reviewed. Financial and grant management procedures were determined acceptable, as records and invoices to the City were in order and pertinent documents were in place.
- b. NADO Awards: Mr. Dolge announced that for almost 30 years, the National Association of Development Organizations (NADO) has honored members who have made significant impacts on their regions through innovative projects that showcase creative approaches to regional community and economic development through their Innovation Awards Program. He then announced that four of PTRC's projects were named Innovation Award Winners for 2015 – more than any other regional council or development organization in the nation. These include the CDBG Handbook, the HOPE Crew Project, the GIS Tool for Targeting Housing Rehab Programs, and the Survive, Thrive, Grow: Small Business Development Pilot Program. He congratulated the PTRC staff on their outstanding work and asked them to stand and be recognized.

4. Special Presentations

- a. Three awards were then presented. Each recipient made a brief statement thanking the Board for their nominations. Mr. Dolge thanked the Hunter Family for their attendance and emphasized what an honor it was to have them.
 - i. Distinguished Service Award: Presented to Talmadge Baker for his exemplary service to the Piedmont Triad Region, the Piedmont Triad Rural Planning Organization and the City of Asheboro.
 - ii. 2015 Annual Grady Hiner Regional Excellence Award: Presented to Chairman Molly Leight for dedication to regional issues.
 - iii. 2015 Annual Randall Lake Billings Public Service Award: Presented to PTRC Assistant Director Matt Reece for significant contribution to regionalism and dedication to public service.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.


Molly Leight, PTRC Chair


Cassidy Pritchard, Acting Clerk