REVISED AGENDA MOUNT ROGERS PLANNING DISTRICT COMMISSION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING 1021 TERRACE DRIVE MARION, VIRGINIA October 4, 2018 7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: All who are citizens of the United States of America please join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION

WELCOME VISITORS

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 6, 2018

ADOPTION OF AGENDA FOR OCTOBER 4, 2018

CITIZEN'S TIME

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

- 1) Robinson, Farmer, Cox Associates will provide the FY18 audit to the Executive Committee.
- 2) Revolving Loan Fund Program (RLF)

The staff will provide an update on the status of the Revolving Loan Fund, the Intermediary Relending Programs, and the RBEG Program.

3) **MRPDC Financial Summary**

The Executive Director will report on the MRPDC Financial Summary.

4) **Executive Directors Report**

The Executive Director will report on the activities of the Commission.

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Locality Updates from Executive Committee Members 5)

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MOUNT ROGERS PLANNING DISTRICT COMMISSION

Executive Director's Report

October 4th, 2018

Federal:

- USDA Farmers Market Grant
- ARC Power Grant for cluster mapping phase II

State:

- DHCD planning funds contract (Attached)
- Update concerning the current situation of Water/Wastewater funding
- DHCD biennial report to the Governor and General Assembly for PDC activity in FY 2017 and 2018

Regional:

• MRPDC has been asked to make a legislative request to allow the formation of a trail authority that would cover our region. (suggested language attached)

New Projects:

- Chilhowie farmers market grant admin
- Sheffey Street Housing CDBG
- Rattle Creek Waterline Extension CDBG

Regional Indoor Plumbing Rehab (IPR) Program

• IPR FY 2019 contract (Attached)

Staff:

• NADO conference Oct 13th-16th

Executive Committee

• MRPDC 50th annual dinner meeting

RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT LEGISLATION TO ESTABLISH A REGIONAL RECREATION AUTHORITY FOR COUNTIES AND CITIES IN THE MOUNT ROGERS PLANNING DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the Virginia General Assembly established the Southwest Regional Recreation Authority for the LENOWISCO and Cumberland Plateau Planning District Commissions for the purpose to establish and maintain recreational areas and facilities to include one or any combination of hunting, fishing, swimming, boating, camping, picnicking, hiking, pleasure driving, motorcycle or all-terrain vehicle riding, bicycling, horseback riding, nature study, water skiing, winter sports, and visiting, viewing or enjoying historical, archaeological, scenic, or scientific sites or otherwise using land for purposes of the user; and

WHEREAS the Southwest Regional Recreation Authority has raised millions of dollars in public funding and private fees to install and maintain hundreds of miles of recreational trails and other recreational facilities consistent with its purpose in the southwestern Virginia coalfield region; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Mount Rogers Planning District have many potential sites for similar activities; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Mount Rogers Planning District would benefit greatly from increased tourism from such recreational facilities and the consequential economic development and job creation; and

WHEREAS, the Southwest Regional Recreation Authority declined to recommend that its service area be extended to counties and cities within the Mount Rogers Planning District;

NOW, THEREFORE, ON THE BASIS OF THE FOREGOING, and in consideration of the best interests of the public health, welfare, and safety, the MOUNT ROGERS PLANNING DISTRICT COMMISSION hereby **RESOLVES** as follows:

To request Senator William Carrico, Delegate Israel O'Quinn, and Delegate Ben Chafin sponsor a bill to create for the Mount Rogers Planning District counties and cities an Authority similar to the Southwest Regional Recreation Authority;

And further, to request that the legislation to establish such Authority prohibit the use of eminent domain to acquire property with the exception of a limited power of eminent domain to apply only to extinguish claims of ownership that derive solely from the legal doctrines of adverse possession, prescriptive easement, or both, where claims of ownership pursuant to such doctrines would prevent completion of projects consistent with the purpose of such Authority.