



**SOUTHWEST MISSOURI COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS**  
**Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday, May 12, 2020**  
**1:30 p.m.**  
**Zoom Meeting**

**ATTENDEES:** Chris Coulter, Allen Kunkel, Dennis Pyle, Mark Maples, Todd Wiesehan, Steve Childers, Jane Hood and Jason Ray

**1. Open Meeting**

Chris Coulter

**2. Approval of Agenda**

*Motion made by Steve Childers and seconded by Dennis Pyle to approve the May 12, 2020 Agenda.  
Motion carried.*

**3. Approve of April 14, 2020 Minutes**

*Motion made by Steve Childers and seconded by Allen Kunkel to approve the April 14, 2020 Minutes.*

**4. Revolving Loan Fund Update** – Jason Ray

SMCOG will be receiving an additional \$400,000 over the next 2 years for the EDA Planning Partnership in addition to the just approved in April, \$116,000/yr. All EDA districts will be receiving the extra money. Scope of work is broad. In addition, EDA has an additional \$30 million available for competitive applications. St. Louis submitted an application with in minutes of the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) being released. Since we do not currently have an RLF, an application would be part of that competitive process. Jason reviewed the current RLF draft. Jason has been speaking to other RPC's that have RLF's as well as the City of Springfield and their loan officers on staff as well as Community Foundation of the Ozarks regarding managing a fund like this. A match will be required. Still working on that. We will continue discussions with EDA regarding the application. Putting together budget for the additional \$400,000 EDA money.

**5. Program Project Updates** – Jason Ray

- We will be bringing on additional support for Long Term Recovery.
- We sent out information to our counties to offer assistance with their CARES Act money.
- A couple of ED organizations are seeking guidance on setting up business grants that are allowed.
- Jason discussed office staffing. Dorothy will be retiring the end of December. Dorothy will be working part time with accounting duties. We will be filling her position, as well as filling Megan Clark's position as she & her husband are moving to California. Two or 3 new planners will be hired. Some of those will focus on hazard mitigation plans.

- Submitted \$5 million application to EDA for Branson waste water treatment plant flood proofing wall. CDBG is involved in the project.
- Applying to EDA funding for design funding for new interchange on Highway 60 at Diggins.
- Cost of Living will be done in July and October.
- Census is continuing with sending out packets.

**6. Review of Proposed FY2021 Budget** – Jason Ray

Budget is changing daily due to funding changes occurring. Need to review with Cindy (Treasurer) as well as Chris before presenting to full Executive Committee.

**7. Other Business** – Jason Ray

- Have talked about setting up a dues assessment committee but with the COVID -19 it was decided to push that back at this time.
- Nominating Committee will be meeting.

**8. Adjourn**

*Motion made by Steve Childers and seconded by Dennis Pyle. Motion carried.*