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**MISSISSIPPI RIVER REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION  
BIMONTHLY MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA**

10:00 AM, Wednesday, October 12, 2016

AmericInn (formerly Best Western Riverfront Hotel), 1835 Rose Street, La Crosse, WI 54601

< MRRPC BIMONTHLY MEETING AGENDA >

1. Roll call and guest introductions
2. Decision on August 10, 2016 Bimonthly Meeting Minutes
3. Decision on Treasurer's Report: (a) August 2016 and September 2016 Account Balance, Revenue and Expense Reports. (b) Revolving Loan Fund Reports: (1) Business Capital Fund, (2) Crawford, Monroe Vernon - CMV Growth Fund (3) La Crosse County Loan Fund (4) Monroe County Loan Fund. VB/GF
4. Presentation by and discussion with James Hill, Director La Crosse Area Development Corporation on their economic development activities and needs in and around La Crosse County. This will be the third of several County Economic Development Director presentations in the coming months to assist the MRRPC in preparing the 2017 – 2022 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy
5. Presentation by and discussion with Carol Wetuski, Area Director, USDA, Rural Development Administration on economic development activities programs and priorities of the Rural Development Administration in Wisconsin. This will be the third of several State and Federal agency presentations in the coming months to assist the MRRPC in preparing the 2017-2022 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy
6. Commissioner input on economic development strengths, opportunities, weaknesses, threats, and strategies for inclusion in the 2017- 2022 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy – CEDS
7. Approval of 2017 Transportation Work Plan PF.
8. Status of Wisconsin's Federal Disaster Declaration Request to FEMA, Including 13 Counties, 7 in MR Region. DB
9. Commissioners' questions and comments on the following projects listed in the written staff report:
  - a. Scenic Mississippi River Transit service 2013 through March 2016, serving La Crosse, Vernon and Crawford Counties.
  - b. Development of new zoning ordinance for Buffalo County.
  - c. La Crosse County Public Transit Service Feasibility Study to analyze and make recommendations about service to Monroe and Trempealeau Counties
  - d. Crawford County Hazard Mitigation Plan
  - e. Trempealeau County Hazard Mitigation Plan
  - f. Crawford County Land and Water Management Plan
  - g. Partnerships for Opportunity and Workforce and Economic Revitalization (POWER) Grant Program for Buffalo County to prepare an Economic Development Strategy in response to the Alma coal power plant closure.

<AGENDA CONTINUED>

- h. Monroe and Vernon County Hazard Mitigation Planning Grants
- i. Crawford County Farmland Preservation contract
- j. Town of Unity (Trempealeau County) Comprehensive Planning Contract
- k. Buffalo County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan
- l. Trempealeau County Farmland Preservation Plan
- m. Outdoor Recreation Plans: Trempealeau and Buffalo Counties
- n. The Upper Mississippi River Manufacturing Alliance - TUMMA.
- o. Village of Oakdale Strategic Development Plan
- p. Trempealeau County Towns - Comprehensive Plan Update
10. Old Business
11. New Business
12. Adjourn

**Commissioners**

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