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Bimonthly Meeting Notice and Agenda, 10:00 AM, Wednesday, October 9, 2013

Seasons by the Lake, 910 2nd Ave North, (On State Highway 35 Overlooking Lake Onalaska), Onalaska Wisconsin

< BIMONTHLY MEETING AGENDA >

1. Roll call and guest introductions
2. Decision on August 14, 2013 Bimonthly Meeting Minutes
3. Decision on Treasurer's Report: (a) July 2013 and August 2013 Account Balance, Revenue and Expense Reports. (b) Revolving Loan Fund Reports: (1) Business Capital Fund, (2) CMV Growth Fund (3) La Crosse County Loan Fund (4) Monroe County Loan Fund. VB/GF/BL
4. Presentation on the status of the Kickapoo Valley Solid Biofuel and Wood Product Feasibility Study by Andrew Dane, Short Elliot and Hendrickson and Don Peterson, Renewable Resource Solutions
5. Presentation on Pepin County's recently adopted County Comprehensive Plan. DB
6. Update on ridership and route changes on Scenic Mississippi Regional Transit bus service running in Crawford, Vernon and La Crosse Counties. PF
7. Report on Village of La Farge Pond - Educational Trail Project with connection to the Kickapoo Valley Reserve funded in part by State DNR Stewardship Grant. PF
8. Commissioners questions and comments on the following projects listed in the written staff report:
 - a. Buffalo, Crawford, Jackson, La Crosse, Monroe, Pepin, Pierce, Trempealeau and Vernon 5 Year Public Transit – Human Service Transportation Plans PF
 - b. The Regional Revolving Loan Fund Initiative with State HUD Community Development Block Grant Funds
 - c. Equipment and Metal Manufacturing Industry Cluster Initiative
 - d. Food Resource and Agribusiness Network Industry Cluster
 - e. Outdoor Recreation Plans: Pierce, Pepin, Vernon and Crawford
 - f. Jackson, La Crosse, and Vernon Counties Multi-hazard Mitigation Plans
 - g. Town of Arcadia and Trempealeau County Comprehensive Plan Contract
 - h. Jackson County CDBG Pubic Facilities Grant for \$400,000 to serve Badger Mining Corp operation's \$86 million expansion in Merrillian and Taylor to create 40 and retain 157 jobs.

<AGENDA CONTINUED>

- i. Village of Cashton Connect Communities Designation
- j. Town of Unity (Trempealeau County) Comprehensive Planning Contract. PF
9. Old Business
10. New Business
11. Adjourn

**Mississippi River Regional Planning Commission
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Staff

Dave Bonifas, Community Development Planner
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Greg Flogstad, Director
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A Nine County Economic Development District Providing Assistance to Local Governments

- *Land Use Planning* ▪ *Zoning and Subdivision Ordinances* ▪ *Transportation Planning* ▪ *Economic Development Planning*
▪ *GIS Mapping* ▪ *Recreation Planning* ▪ *Revolving Loan Fund Administration* ▪ *Grant Writing* ▪ *Socioeconomic Data Dissemination*
▪ *Assist Local Interests in Responding to State and Federal Programs* ▪ *Advisory Service on Local Planning Issues*
▪ *Coordinating Agency for Programs and Activities* ▪ *Public Advocacy on Issues Affecting Our Region*