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**MISSISSIPPI RIVER REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
BIMONTHLY MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA
10:00 AM, Wednesday, February 10, 2016
Best Western Riverfront Hotel, 1835 Rose Street, La Crosse, WI 54601**

< MRRPC BIMONTHLY MEETING AGENDA >

1. Roll call and guest introductions
2. Decision on December 9, 2015 Bimonthly Meeting Minutes
3. Decision on Treasurer's Report: (a) December 2015 and January 2016 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
4. Decision of 2016 Budget. GF
5. Presentation on activities and partnering opportunities with the 800 Member Lake Pepin Legacy Alliance to slow the growth of sediment and nutrients into the Mississippi River by Rylee Main, Project Manager.
6. Report on status of 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. GF
7. Report on new Zoning Ordinance for Buffalo County. PF
8. Report on the formation of The Upper Mississippi River Manufacturing Alliance - TUMMA. GF
9. USDA Rural Development Administration's Grant Evaluation Program giving additional points for projects that are consistent with and help implement the Regional Comprehensive Plan. DB
10. Decision on Job Description for Administrative Assistant
11. Discussion on status of commissioner appointments to the MRRPC. GF
12. Commissioners questions and comments on the following projects listed in the written staff report:
 - a. Crawford County Farmland Preservation Contract
 - b. Town of Unity (Trempealeau County) Comprehensive Planning Contract
 - c. Buffalo County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan Update
 - d. Village of Cashton Connect Communities designation and CDBG Community Planning grant application
 - e. Trempealeau County Farmland Preservation Plan
 - f. Scenic Mississippi Regional Bus service, serving Crawford, Vernon and La Crosse Counties
 - g. Village of La Farge Recreation and Economic Development Plan Implementation activities
 - h. Pepin County Farmland Preservation Plan
 - i. Outdoor Recreation Plans: Trempealeau and Buffalo Counties

<AGENDA CONTINUED>

- j. Preparation of Hazard Mitigation Planning Grants for Crawford and Trempealeau Counties
 - k. Report on La Crosse County Application to Wisconsin DOT for transit study involving service demand between La Crosse and Trempealeau County and La Crosse and Monroe County.
 13. Old Business
 14. New Business
 15. Adjourn
- Demonstration, question and answer session on Amazon Fire tablets issued to commissioners and staff on obtaining MRRPC Bimonthly Meeting materials and other MRRPC communications will immediately follow the bimonthly meeting.

Commissioners

Buffalo County	La Crosse County	Pierce County
Mary Anne McMillan Urell	Vicki Burke	Richard Purdy
Del Twidt	James Ehrsam	William Schroeder
Daniel Barr	Tara Johnson	James Ross
Crawford County	Monroe County	Trempealeau County
Greg Russell	Sharon Folcey	Margaret Baecker
Gerald Krachey	James Kuhn	Ernest Vold
Ron Leys	Cedric Schnitzler	Phillip Borreson
Jackson County	Pepin County	Vernon County
Ron Carney	Bruce Peterson	Appointment Pending
James Christenson	Mike Murray	Jo Ann Nickelatti
Appointment Pending	David Smith	Nancy Jaekel
Staff		
Dave Bonifas, Community Development Planner		
Barb Buros, Administrative Assistant		
Peter Fletcher, Transportation Planner		
Greg Flogstad, Director		

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