

Water Transportation Advisory Board (WTAB)  
June 26, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Approved by WTAB: 05/09/2019

The meeting of the Water Transportation Advisory Board (WTAB) was called to order at 10:11 am on June 26, 2018, at the Paducah Area Chamber of Commerce Building, Paducah Bank Room at 300 South 3<sup>rd</sup> St, Paducah, KY 42003.

The WTAB members in attendance were:

Greg Curlin, Chairman  
Brian Wright

Greg Pritchett (via video conference)  
Norb Whitlock

Also in attendance were:

Bill Miller, Paducah Riverport  
Lynn Soporowski, KYTC  
Gordon Slone, KY Office of the Attorney General (via conference call)

Jeremy Edgeworth, KYTC  
Fran Johnson, Paducah Chamber of Commerce

**Welcome and Introductions:**

All attendees introduced themselves.

**Public Comment Period:**

The Chair invited attendees to make comments. None were made.

**Presentation of Minutes from June 5, 2018**

The minutes of the June 5, 2018 meeting were presented and subsequently approved on motion of Brian Wright, seconded by Greg Pritchett.

**Conflicts of Interest for Board Members**

Prior to discussion of KRI projects, Disclosure of Conflict of Interest Statement forms were distributed to and completed by WTAB members. Via video conference connection Greg Pritchett verbally indicated he had no conflicts of interest (a form was subsequently emailed to him and necessary signatures acquired). The Board agreed that there was no conflict of interest for any Board members even though they may have projects under consideration for funding.

**Review and Prioritization of FY 2018 Kentucky Riverport Improvement-Second Call for projects applications**

Two applications were received for the \$148,720 second round of funding available through the FY 2019 KRI grant program. The applications requested \$153,205.00 in funding.

Riverport	Project	Total Cost	Requested
Owensboro	Off Road 4x2 Semi Tractors	\$241,410.00	\$120,705.00
Paducah	Bulk Cell Maintenance Dredging	\$65,000.00	\$32,500.00
	Total	\$306,410.00	\$153,205.00

**Project Eligibility discussion:**

Jeremy Edgeworth distributed a Project Eligibility Ballot to each WTAB member and Board members rated each as eligible for funding. Greg Pritchett reported via video conference connection that he voted both projects were eligible.

**Project Prioritization discussion:**

Chair Curlin requested WTAB members cast their votes for prioritization of the projects, stating projects are to be ranked 1 through 2. Greg Pritchett reported via video conference connection his vote for how the two projects were to be ranked. After calculating the total score for each project, and ranking the projects by their total score, the funding was prioritized as follows.

1. Paducah – Bulk Cell Maintenance Dredging – KRI Funding: \$32,500.00
2. Owensboro – Off Road 4x2 Semi Tractors – KRI Funding: \$116,220.00

After consulting with Mr. Wright, he indicated to the Board his project could still proceed with the reduced KRI funding amount. Thus, on motion by Norb Whitlock, seconded by Greg Pritchett and subsequently unanimously approved, the Board agreed to full fund Paducah's requested Bulk Cell Maintenance Dredging project at \$32,500 and reduce the awarded funds to Owensboro's Off Road 4x2 Semi Tractors project to \$116,220 to fully utilize the remaining \$147,720 in KRI funds. These project prioritizations and these amounts are to be recommended to the Secretary of the Transportation Cabinet.

There being no further business, on motion of Norb Whitlock, and unanimous approval, the meeting was adjourned at 10:22 AM.

Submitted:

Jeremy Edgeworth

Water Transportation Advisory Board Staff, KYTC