

## **Stimulus Task Force Meeting**

12/17/2009

9:30-10:00

**Individuals Present:** Chris Chronis, Irene Hart, Charlene Stevens, Marty Hughes, Bob Lamkey, Jim Weber, Amanda Matthews, and Nathan Law

Chris Chronis opened the meeting.

### **Status Updates**

#### **Nathan Law**

- Richard Powell and Marty Hughes had discussed that the JJA grants for the Mental Health Pod, Crime Analyst, and Gang Intervention had been denied so were removed.
- Added the Tobacco Cessation item.

#### **Charlene Stevens**

- Tobacco Cessation – We are one of two counties receiving funding. The application is made by KDHE, they will receive the money, and 75% of the money would flow to the two counties. Becky Tuttle wrote the grant and so is the responsible person for the item, but Bill Farney will be the responsible task force person.

#### **Chris Chronis**

- Do we know what we are going to do with \$4 million?

#### **Charlene Stevens**

- There is a list of strategies. What is done now will be done a lot more, and done better. The state had a list of strategies from which to choose. Some of the work that we do, such as work with the Youth Coalition, would be enhanced.

#### **Chris Chronis**

- When will we be able to pin down the amount?

#### **Charlene Stevens**

- After funds are secured. There is a fixed amount the state has applied for, the state can retain so much of it, and the rest goes to the counties. It is based on the state award. What Bill was talking about last time with the \$2 million kept at the state, \$2 million to Finney County and \$4 million to Sedgwick County?

#### **Chris Chronis**

- Show an award date of 12/31. Does that mean that on Jan 1<sup>st</sup> we will know how much the state got and we can apply whatever that percentage is and put a hard number in?

#### **Charlene Stevens**

- I think it would, yes. So we could put in the amount we applied for.

**Nathan Law**

- HPRP – Added this item, but no information. Coming from city, so placed into community highlights.

**Charlene Stevens**

- Energy Coordinator – Brian started December 1<sup>st</sup>. His task is to work on a strategy. Some of that money was allocated for making improvements. He has gone through the building information.
- There is a steering team to help strategize which buildings to focus on and what types of projects to go ahead with. Once that strategy is in place we will place it on the website.

**Amanda Matthews**

- The website has been updated to reflect that the energy coordinator has been hired.

**Bob Lamkey**

- Nothing new on my programs.
- Fire station – They are applying for leftover funds, about \$25 million. There has been no indication of a second round. It is supposed to have all been spent by the end of this calendar year. Sent an email but have not yet received a reply.

**Jim Weber**

- Roads – Need to go in and update. Probably have a tentative bid date on the 295<sup>th</sup> Street.
- WAMPO policy body has put 295<sup>th</sup> Street on the list. Has to go through state and feds. No reason to believe that it will not receive funding. Funding is available mostly because of the good bid we got on the Rock Road project. Have turned in final plans.

**Chris Chronis**

- Do we have completion dates on 47<sup>th</sup> and Rock Road?

**Jim Weber**

- We are going to do that. We will get with the city on 47<sup>th</sup>. Rock is going to be a relatively short project. They have not had their pre-construction conference yet, so I do not know exactly when the start date will be, but should be done by the middle of July.

**Irene Hart**

- Nothing new.

**Marty Hughes**

- Most of the grants we receive are reimbursed quarterly. Had some snags early on with JIAC, and the state has stalled on paying that, but others are quarterly, some may even be in advance. Will post at year end that those have grants receivable.
- BTOP – item has dropped off from last time.