

POLICY COMMITTEE
KANKAKEE AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY (K.A.T.S.)
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (M.P.O.)
MINUTES
JUNE 23, 2004

POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

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| Mayor Latham | Bourbonnais |
| Mayor Grimsley | Aroma Park |
| Mr. Piekarczyk | Representing Kankakee County |
| Mr. Lou Paukovitz | Representing the Illinois Department of Transportation |
| Mr. Hoffmann | River Valley <i>METRO</i> Mass Transit District |

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mr. Lammey, Kankakee County; Mr. Reed, IDOT; and Mr. Morgan, Daily Journal.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Grimsley called the meeting to order at 11:00 A.M.

MINUTES

Mayor Latham moved that the May 26, 2004 Minutes be approved, and Mr. Paukovitz seconded. Unanimous vote.

AGENDA

Mr. Paukovitz stated that there was an additional Agenda item under Agenda item 5, an amendment to the **FY 2005 Transportation Improvement Program**. Mr. Piekarczyk moved approval of the amended Agenda, and Mayor Latham seconded. Unanimous vote.

WASHINGTON AVENUE CORRIDOR STUDY

Mr. Lammey reported that a meeting of the Technical Advisory and Policy Committee representatives from Kankakee, Bradley, and Bourbonnais will meet to review this document, and the results of that meeting will be discussed at a future Policy Committee meeting.

FY 2005 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Mr. Paukovitz reported a rail safety project (attached) for southbound Illinois Route 50 at the Norfolk Southern tracks that needed to be added to the **FY 2005 Transportation Improvement Program**. Mr. Piekarczyk reported that the Technical Advisory Committee recommends adoption of the document, as amended, by the Policy Committee. Mr. Piekarczyk moved approval, and Mayor Latham seconded. Chairman Grimsley asked for a roll call vote.

- Chairman Grimsley – aye
- Mayor Latham – aye

- Mr. Piekarczyk – aye
- Mr. Paukovitz – aye

Chairman Grimsley declared the **FY 2005 Transportation Improvement Program** adopted by unanimous vote.

LOWE ROAD UPDATE

Mr. Piekarczyk stated that the project is in design at Tyson Engineering, and will be for the remainder of this year, and into 2005, with a target for construction in 2006. Chairman Grimsley asked if the signalization project at Lowe and Illinois Route 17 was still on target, and Mr. Paukovitz stated that some right-of-way issues will push the project back to the September letting.

METRO REPORT

Mr. Hoffmann introduced himself as the new Managing Director of the River Valley **METRO** Mass Transit District, and stated that ridership is up some 5% over the previous year. He was welcomed by the Policy Committee members.

SHOWBUS REPORT

Mr. Lammey stated that a replacement bus is now in service, and that service to the Pembroke area had changed somewhat. The Monday service from Pembroke to Kankakee has now been changed to a Pembroke to Momence route.

IDOT REPORT

Mr. Paukovitz stated that he was representing the new District Engineer, John Kos. He gave the report attached to these Minutes.

LAND USE/TRANSPORTATION STUDY

Mr. Lammey stated that this project had been delayed by the late delivery of the GIS mapping data, and that this data has been relayed to the consultant on the project.

COMMUTER RAIL FEASIBILITY STUDY

Mr. Lammey stated that the study is ahead of schedule, and that a final report is expected during September.

LONG-RANGE PLAN

Mr. Lammey stated that the requirement for this document is every five years. He stated that the process is made more difficult by the lack of a federal transportation bill. Chairman Grimsley asked when the Policy Committee will be involved, and Mr. Lammey stated that staff will be visting each of the Policy Committee members along the way.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

Chairman Grimsley stated that the next scheduled meeting of the Policy Committee will be August 25, 2004, at 11:00 A.M.

ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Piekarczyk moved adjournment, and Mayor Latham seconded.

Unanimous vote. Chairman Grimsley adjourned the meeting at 11:21 A.M.

Amendment to the Kankakee FY 05 program

Project Location SB Illinois Route 50 (Indiana Ave.) at Norfolk Southern Railroad crossing

Project Scope: Update circuitry and lighting and add gates

Phase: Construction

Cost: \$187,000

Cost Share: 90% State- \$167,000, 10% Federal Rail Safety Program-

IDOT PROJECT STATUS - KANKAKEE URBAN AREA

NOTE:

**Targeted contract lettings of projects cited below are
Contingent upon approval of the Governor and allocation
Of funds by the General Assembly**

1. Proposed I-57 interchange at 6000 N Road

Preliminary Engineering I in FY 2005

2. Illinois Route 17 (Court St.) Bridge over CNIC RR

Project is completed..

3. Illinois Route 113: Route 17 to Riverside Hospital

Work on the railroad viaduct will soon begin with setting of new beams around mid June. Widening of roadway to a five lane pavement section will probably not begin until after the existing narrow is removed.

4. Illinois Route 113: From 0.30 mile south to 0.65 mile north of Tower Road

Curve correction to existing highway alignment is tentatively scheduled for the September 17, 2004 letting. Right of way issues need to be resolved.

5. Illinois Route 17: Traffic signal modernization at I-57, Eastridge Drive and Eastgate Road - This project was on the June 11, 2004 letting

6. Illinois Route 17 at Lowe Road - Turn lanes to be added on Route 17 and traffic signals installed. This project is tentatively scheduled on the September 17, 2004 letting. Right of way issues need to be resolved.

7. Armour Road: US Route 45/52 to CNIC RR Bridge

Preliminary engineering II is expected to begin in FY 2005 after July 1, 2004 for the proposed widening of roadway to five lanes.

8. Illinois Route 102: From US Route 45/52 to the Will Co. Line -

Milling and resurfacing was on the April 23, 2004 letting. Pre-construction meeting was scheduled for May 25, 2004

9. Illinois Route 102: Bridge replacement at Davis Creek - This project was let last November. Utility adjustments need to be completed before bridge work can begin.