

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
KANKAKEE AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY (K.A.T.S.)
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (M.P.O.)
MINUTES
JUNE 24, 2009

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Paukovitz	Illinois Department of Transportation
Dr. Gingerich	Bradley
Mr. Piekarczyk	Kankakee County
Mr. McBurney	Bourbonnais
Mr. Tyson	Kankakee
Mr. Piggush	Aroma Park
Mr. Hoffmann	River Valley METRO Mass Transit District

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mr. Lammey, Mr. Greenstreet and Ms. Rosenow, Kankakee County; Mr. Ryan, Mr. Lang and Mr. Blakley, IDOT; Mayor Adams and Ms. Dickens, Bradley; Mr. Koning, Robinson Engineering; Mr. Ligas and Ms. Marcotte

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Piekarczyk called the meeting to order at 2:31 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

MINUTES

Mr. Tyson moved approval of the May 6, 2009 minutes. Mr. McBurney seconded the motion. Unanimous vote.

AGENDA

Mr. Lammey stated that discussion of two letters was being added to New Business. Mr. Paukovitz moved approval, and Dr. Gingerich seconded. Unanimous vote.

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Mr. Lammey stated that communication has been received reappointing all current members of the Technical Advisory Committee.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Chairman Piekarczyk asked for nominations for the office of Chairman of the Technical Advisory Committee. Mr. Tyson nominated Mr. Piekarczyk for Chairman, and Dr. Gingerich seconded. Mr. Tyson moved that the nominations be closed, and Dr. Gingerich seconded. The vote on closure was unanimous, as was the vote for Mr. Piekarczyk for Chairman.

Chairman Piekarczyk asked for nominations for the office of Vice-Chairman of the Technical Advisory Committee. Mr. Lammey stated that it has been past practice for the representative of the next community with a STPU project to be the Vice-Chairman, and stated that the Village of Bourbonnais has the next project. Dr. Gingerich nominated Mr. McBurney for Vice-Chairman, and Mr. Piggush seconded. Mr. Tyson moved that the nominations be closed, and Mr. Piggush seconded. The vote on closure was unanimous, as was the vote for Mr. McBurney for Vice-Chairman.

FY 2009 TIP AMENDMENT

Mr. Lammey explained that this item will always be on the Agenda, but that he had received no amendments to the **FY 2009 TIP** at this time.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION POLICY

Mr. Lammey stated that two items had been proposed for amendment to the existing Public Participation Policy. He stated that the change involving the public comment period for amendments to the Transportation Improvement Program being reduced from 15 days to 7 days is before the Technical Advisory Committee at this time. He stated that the change involving the public comment period for changes to the Public Participation Policy being reduced from 45 days to 7 days cannot be made, and thanked Mr. Stevenson for making him aware of that fact.

Mr. Lammey stated that the suggested change has completed 45 day public comment period, and that it is now ready for action by the Technical Advisory Committee. Mr. Paukovitz moved that the Technical Advisory Committee recommend approval to the Policy Committee, and Mr. McBurney seconded. Unanimous vote.

FINAL FY 2010 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Mr. Lammey stated that the STPU fiscal history tables on pages III-1 and III-2 has been changed since the draft document was approved. Mr. Lang stated that the fiscal years have been changed to reflect going to federal fiscal years, and answered questions. Mr. Lammey stated that the **FY 2010 Transportation Improvement Program** has now completed its 45 day public comment phase.

Mr. Tyson moved that the Technical Advisory Committee recommend approval of the **FY 2010 Transportation Improvement Program** to the Policy Committee. Mr. Piggush seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

FHWA PLANNING PROCESS REVIEW

Mr. Stevenson stated that a Planning Process Review was conducted by FHWA personnel in January, and a presentation on that review and a training course (MPO 101) was tentatively scheduled for the June MPO meeting. He stated FHWA would now like to make those presentations to a joint Technical Advisory/Policy Committee meeting in August.

Mr. Stevenson also stated that some activity will occur in the area of By Laws and Intergovernmental Agreements, particularly to have the public transit operator being a signatory to the agreement.

Chairman Piekarczyk stated that if the By Laws and Intergovernmental Agreements are being updated, potential new members as a result of the 2010 census such as Manteno should also be included.

Mr. Hoffmann stated that the current date for the MPO meetings in August is the 26th, and other events are scheduled for that evening that may include the Mayors. Mr. Lammey asked members to look at their schedules for August 19 as a possible alternate date.

FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION

Mr. Lammey showed a map of the Functional Classification System, and referred to a graphic of the proposed amendment to that system in discussion. Mr. Paukovitz stated the general purpose of the classified roadway system, and moved that the Technical Advisory Committee recommend to the Policy Committee the following modifications to that system:

- Add Career Center Road as an urban minor arterial from Indian Oaks Road (5000N) to 6000N Road.
- Add 6000N Road as an urban minor arterial from Career Center Road to Illinois Route 50.

Mr. Tyson seconded the motion, and it pass unanimously.

6000 N. ROAD

Mr. McBurney stated that the final Intersection Design Study has been approved by IDOT. He stated that a project report is in progress.

BROOKMONT BOULEVARD

Mr. McBurney stated that the project is behind schedule, due to delays in setting up a meeting with the Canadian National Railroad.

RIVERFRONT TRAIL

Mr. McBurney stated that the project was let on June 12. He stated that contracts were approved.

BURNS ROAD, PHASE I

Mr. McBurney stated that this is an American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) project, and that it is scheduled for a July 31 letting.

BRADLEY SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOLS PROJECTS

Dr. Gingerich stated that the two projects in Bradley were on schedule to be let in the summer of 2010. Mr. Blakley stated that the Intersection Design Study is in review.

AROMA PARK SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOLS PROJECTS

Mr. McBurney stated that the flashing signals at Waldron and Division were on schedule for a September 18 letting.

INVITATION LETTER TO REGIONAL ENGINEER RYAN

Chairman Piekarczyk welcomed Regional Engineer Ryan to the MPO meetings, and stated that a letter inviting him to the August meeting would seem unnecessary at this point.

LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR BROOKMONT BOULEVARD

Chairman Piekarczyk stated that a request has been made for a letter of support for the Brookmont Boulevard project. He stated that these requests are received on a regular basis, and that it is a function of the MPO to support projects of importance to the local area. Mr. Tyson moved that the Technical Advisory Committee recommend to the Policy Committee that a letter of support for the Brookmont Boulevard project be signed by the Chairman of the Policy Committee. Mr. McBurney seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

Chairman Piekarczyk stated that the next meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee would be held on August 19, 2009. After some discussion, it was decided that the joint meeting would start at 3:15 P.M. Mr. Lamme stated that the meeting would be held at the METRO Centre.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. McBurney moved adjournment, and Mr. Paukovitz seconded. Chairman Piekarczyk adjourned the meeting at 3:09 P.M.