

**POLICY COMMITTEE**  
**KANKAKEE AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY (K.A.T.S.)**  
**METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (M.P.O.)**  
**MINUTES**  
**JUNE 29, 2011**

**POLICY COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mayor Dykstra	Aroma Park
Mayor Epstein	Kankakee
Mayor Schore	Bourbonnais
Mayor Adams	Bradley
Mr. Piekarczyk	Representing Kankakee County
Mr. Paukovitz	Representing Illinois Department of Transportation
Mr. Hoffmann	River Valley METRO Mass Transit District

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Mr. Lammey, Mr. Greenstreet, Ms. Harper and Ms. Potempa, Kankakee County; Ms. Pillion, Ms. Baxter and Mr. Caldwell, IDOT; Dr. Gingerich, Bradley; Mr. McBurney, Bourbonnais; Mr. Tyson, Kankakee; Mr. Piggush, Aroma Park; Ms. Dick, SHOW BUS; Mr. Campbell and Mr. Fulton, Veterans' Commission, and Ms. Franke and Mr. Allen, METRO Board

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Schore called the meeting to order at 3:34 P.M.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**MINUTES**

Mr. Piekarczyk moved approval of the May 11, 2011 minutes. Mayor Adams seconded the motion. Unanimous vote.

**AGENDA**

Mr. Piekarczyk moved approval of the Agenda, and Mayor Dykstra seconded. Unanimous vote.

**FY 2011 TIP AMENDMENTS**

Mr. Lammey stated that there were no amendments.

**ADOPTION OF THE AMENDED FY 2012 UNIFIED WORK PROGRAM**

Mr. Lammey explained that there is a revenue neutral amendment that transfers \$1,200 to the reissue of the Transportation Brochure. Mr. Piekarczyk stated that the State Metro Planning funds, in the amount of \$45,701 have been approved, and that the Technical Advisory Committee recommends approval of the amended document. Mr. Piekarczyk moved that the amended **FY**

**2012 Unified Work Program** be adopted. Mayor Dykstra seconded the motion. Unanimous vote.

### **ADOPTION OF THE FINAL FY 2012 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

Mr. Lammey stated that changes had occurred since the draft had been approved in May, and Mr. Tyson stated that the changes dealt with engineering costs being slated for FY 12, and for the project to be moved into FY 13 for construction. Mr. Piekarczyk stated that the Technical Advisory Committee recommends approval of the document to the Policy Committee, and made the motion to approve. Mayor Epstein seconded the motion.

Mr. Piekarczyk stated that the inclusion of construction engineering to the project both increases the costs of future projects by around 10%, and delays start up for subsequent projects.

Mayor Schore stated that as the projects grow in cost, so does the local share for those projects, and that none of the local agencies are in position to easily afford those increased costs. He called for the vote, and the motion passed unanimously.

### **ILLIANA STUDY**

Mr. Piekarczyk stated that the Illiana Study has started, and that Mr. Bossert, Mr. Van Mill, Mr. Lammey and he went to the first meeting on June 14. He stated that the next meeting is scheduled for July 12 at 2 PM in Joliet.

### **METRO UPDATE**

Mr. Hoffmann stated that METRO has provided a record number of rides this fiscal year, and there is one month left in the fiscal year. He believes that the ridership will end up at 825,000 for the current fiscal year.

### **IDOT UPDATE**

Mr. Paukovitz gave the report attached to these Minutes.

### **6000 N. ROAD**

Mr. McBurney stated that preliminary design continues.

### **BROOKMONT BOULEVARD**

Mr. McBurney stated that funding sources are still being sought for the project.

### **NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING**

Chairman Schore stated that the next Policy Committee meeting will be at 3:30 P.M. on August 31, 2011.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Piekarczyk moved adjournment, and Mayor Adams seconded. Unanimous approval. Chairman Schore adjourned the meeting at 3:52 P.M.

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**

The firm Hanson Engineering is the consultant selected for phase II engineering. The Environmental Assessment was approved by the FHWA on January 7, 2011. Subsequently, IDOT District 3 met with local public officials on January 10, 2011 to review Phase I engineering findings. As a Jobs Now!" capital bill project, approximately \$55 million has been identified for this project, as part of the 2010-2015 multi-year program. An open house meeting for public's review of Phase I study findings was held on March 3, 2011. Phase I Project Report was approved by the FHWA on June 13, 2011. Phase II design engineering proceeds.

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

This American Recovery & Reinvestment Act project is nearly completed. When done, the village of Bourbonnais will assume jurisdiction of Armour Road from US 45/52 to the west end of Structure #046-0063 spanning the CN RR. Mechanical/Electrical problem with traffic signals at Mooney Dr. intersection persist. Resident engineer has been in contact with village personnel. Jurisdictional transfer will occur later in spring or summer, 2011.

**3. Interstate 57 at the Kankakee River:**

Replacement of this structure remains on the multiyear program.

**4. Interstate 57: From just north of the IL 50 interchange and extending northerly to the Will County Line.**

Project is completed.

**5. Illinois 17: from 4 lane pavement in City of Kankakee to N&S RR in Village of Limestone**

As part of Phase I engineering IDOT District 3 staff met with officials of Kankakee, Limestone and the County to discuss the proposed construction of a 3 lane roadway on Illinois 17, beginning at the five lane pavement section at the west edge of Kankakee and extending westerly 3.3 miles to the Norfolk & Southern Railroad crossing in the Village of Limestone. An open house public hearing on the project was held on Tuesday, June 7, 2011. Most comments received concerned ROW acquisition and drainage issues.

**6. Interstate 57 at Illinois 17 (Court St.) Interchange in Kankakee**

Phase I engineering of the proposed interchange replacement has been initiated. IDOT District 3 staff met with Kankakee city and other local public officials June 7, 2011 at which time four general interchange concepts were reviewed and discussed.

**7. Illinois 17 (Court St.), From Eastridge Ave. Westerly to Nelson Ave.**

Milling & resurfacing is tentatively scheduled for an August, 2011 letting

**8. NB Illinois 50 (Harrison Ave.) @ KB&S RR:**

At grade crossing to be repaired this summer 2011.

**9. I-57 & Illinois 50 Interchange Reconstruction:**

This project was on IDOT's April letting 2 weeks ago. Bids received were good and an award of contract is pending. Construction work tentatively scheduled to begin after July 4th holiday.

**10. Illinois 17 (Court St.) @ KB&S RR:**

At grade crossing to be repaired this summer 2011

**11. Illinois 50 and Larry Power Road Intersection**

IDOT District 3 has drafted some concept drawings to consider for interim improvements to the intersection. IDOT staff plan to meet with both Bradley and Bourbonnais officials in July.