

**POLICY COMMITTEE**  
**KANKAKEE AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY (K.A.T.S.)**  
**METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (M.P.O.)**  
**MINUTES**  
**AUGUST 29, 2012**

**POLICY COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

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| Mayor Dykstra | Aroma Park   |
| Mr. Paukovitz | Representing Illinois Department of Transportation |
| Mr. Spathis   | Representing Bourbonnais                           |
| Mayor Adams   | Bradley  |
| Mr. Bossert   | Kankakee County                                    |
| Mr. Hoffmann  | River Valley METRO                                 |
| Mayor Epstein | Kankakee   |

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Mayor Nugent, Manteno; Mr. Lammey and Mr. Greenstreet, Kankakee County; Ms. Baxter, Ms. Pillion and Mr. Caldwell, IDOT; Mr. McBurney, Bourbonnais; Mr. Piggush, Aroma Park; Mr. Rogers, Kankakee County; Mr. Donovan, FHWA, Dr. Gingerich, Bradley; Ms. Dick, SHOW BUS; Mr. Tyson, Kankakee and Mr. Koning, Robinson Engineering

**CALL TO ORDER**

Vice-Chairman Epstein called the meeting to order at 3:42 P.M.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**MINUTES**

Mayor Adams moved approval of the June 27, 2012 minutes. Mr. Paukovitz seconded the motion. Unanimous vote.

**AGENDA**

Mayor Dykstra moved approval of the Agenda, and Chairman Bossert seconded. Unanimous vote.

**FY 2013 TIP AMENDMENTS**

Mr. Hoffmann stated there were two amendments, the first to add funding to a FY 2014 item for ADA improvements to bus stops, and the second to add a new line item in FY 2013 for "Audible Turning Enunciators". It was pointed out that the transit section of the TIP is not fiscally constrained, as to be eligible for increased funding from IDOT, the items have to first be in the TIP. Mr. Donovan pointed out that the Federal Transit Administration recently sent a TIP back to the DeKalb MPO for some issue. Mr. Rogers stated that the Technical Advisory Committee

had reviewed the amendments for accuracy and had forwarded the amendments to the Policy Committee for action. Mayor Adams move approval, and Chairman Bossert seconded the motion. Unanimous vote.

### **URBANIZED AREA**

Mr. Lammey presented the staff recommendation for the Urbanized Area map. Mr. Paukovitz stated his concern that some of the boundaries for the Urbanized Area were not easily defined physical features, and asked for a scale on hard copies of the map. Mr. Rogers stated that the Technical Advisory Committee had reviewed the Urbanized Area map and recommended approval to the Policy Committee. Mr. Spathis moved approval, and Mayor Dykstra seconded. Unanimous vote.

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN**

Mr. Lammey stated that the Public Participation Plan was at a five year review point, and stated that there were additions to the Plan to include Manteno. He stated that there had been proposed reductions in the Plan, but that the Technical Advisory Committee had not approved those reductions. Mr. Rogers stated that the Technical Advisory Committee recommended placing the modified Public Participation Plan in public comment. Chairman Bossert moved placing the modified Public Participation Plan in public comment, and Mayor Adams seconded the motion. Unanimous vote.

### **NEW FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION LEGISLATION**

Mr. Donovan discussed the new legislation, stating the there was new emphasis on performance measurement and management.

### **BILLING REPORT**

Mr. Lammey referred to the FY 2012 billing report in the packet. Vice-Chairman Epstein stated that any member with questions after review should contact Mr. Lammey.

### **METRO**

Mr. Hoffmann stated that the bids for the Manteno Transfer Centre were higher than the budget for the project, and thanked the Village of Manteno for their cooperation in the project. He stated that bidders were being contacted about a reduced project this week. He stated that new service would begin to Midway and to University Park, hopefully within two months.

### **IDOT DISTRICT 3**

Mr. Paukovitz gave the report attached to these Minutes.

### **FHWA**

Mr. Donovan stated that the issue of streamlining local federal aid project delivery is being worked on.

### **IDOT URBAN PLANNING**

Mr. Caldwell stated that a new Bureau Chief has been named for OP&P - Ms. Karen Shoup.

### **BROOKMONT BOULEVARD**

Mr. McBurney stated that the project development report has been approved and received, and that funding is being sought for the project.

### **BURNS ROAD**

Mr. McBurney stated that construction on the project began on August 27.

### **INDUSTRIAL DRIVE**

Dr. Gingerich stated that dedication of some of the required right-of-way had already occurred.

### **NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING**

Vice-Chairman Epstein stated that the next Policy Committee meeting will be at 3:30 P.M. on October 24, 2012.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Dykstra moved adjournment, and Mayor Adams seconded. Unanimous approval. Vice-Chairman Epstein adjourned the meeting at 4:04 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**

Phase II design engineering continues. IDOT District 3 has begun appraisals of properties.

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

Contract letting has been moved to back to FY 2016.

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

Based on meetings with local officials and a June 21, 2011 public hearing, phase I engineering is proceeding with design of a bidirectional turn lane. Appraisals and negotiations for land acquisition are underway.

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

Phase I engineering of the proposed interchange replacement continues. Approximately 70 persons attended IDOT's open house public meeting on July 19, 2012. Generally, most comments favored the proposed work. Concerns centered on the closing of a local street, flooding along I-57 and the need of traffic signals at IL 17 (Court St.) at St. Joseph Ave.

**5. Illinois 17 (Court St.), From Fifth Ave. in Kankakee easterly to Lowe Road**

Milling and resurfacing of IL 17 is completed.

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

Reconstruction of the southbound lanes of I-57 has begun. The four ramps will be switched over within the next few weeks. Concrete pavement on the mainline of I-57 has progressed enough to switch southbound traffic onto the new pavement and northbound traffic onto the temporary median by October. Note the staging of the interstate traffic lanes leaves no room to stop in the area. Disabled cars or minor collisions require that vehicles move at least out of the confined wall area. Signing is posted advising motorists accordingly. Work on Route 50 itself and water main work expected to continue through the summer.

**7. Illinois 50 and Larry Power Road Intersection:**

IDOT D-3 has submitted joint agreements to Bourbonnais and Bradley for execution by village boards. Plans will be sent to the villages in the next few weeks. A fall 2012 contract letting is tentatively scheduled.

**8. I-57 Overhead at North St.:**

IDOT has received comments from Bradley on the preliminary plans. Tentatively scheduled for FY 2014.

**9. I-57 Overhead at St. George Rd. /C.H. 8**

Phase II engineering underway. Preliminary plans will be provided to County when they become available. Tentatively scheduled for FY 2013.