

Policy Committee
Kankakee Area Transportation Study (K.A.T.S.)
Metropolitan Planning Organization (M.P.O.)
Minutes
October 26, 2016

Policy Committee Members Present:

Mayor Nugent	Manteno
Mayor Epstein	Kankakee
Mayor Fowler	Aroma Park
Mr. Lindenmier	Illinois Department of Transportation
Chairman Bossert	Kankakee County
Mayor Schore	Bourbonnais

Others Present:

Tom Caldwell, Tom Magolan, and Roger Blakley, IDOT; Mr. Olson and Mr. Bishop, Kankakee County Planning Dept.; Mr. Rogers, Kankakee County Highway Dept.; Mr. Tyson, Kankakee; Mr. Koning, METRO; Mr. McBurney, Bourbonnais; Dr. Gingerich, Bradley; Carol Franke.

Call to Order

Chairman Epstein called the meeting to order at 3:11 P.M.

Public Comment

None.

Minutes

Chairman Epstein asked for any changes or corrections the minutes from the August 17, 2016 meeting and, if none, a motion to approve them. Mayor Schore motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Mayor Nugent seconded the motion. Unanimous Vote. Motion Carried.

Agenda

Chairman Epstein asked for approval of the proposed agenda. Mr. Olson said the dates for the upcoming meetings did not get updated. He said the next meeting dates are January 11, 2017 at 9:30 AM for the Safety Committee. The next MPO Technical Advisory Committee and Policy Committee meetings will be on January 25, 2017 starting at 3:00 PM. Mayor Nugent motioned approval of the Agenda with the changes. Chairman Bossert seconded the motion. Motion carried.

FY 2017 TIP Amendment

Mr. Olson explained that the TIP had three changes. The first change was a staff modification to correct a typo for the County Highway 58 resurfacing project. The other two changes were amendments to be approved by the Policy Committee. The first project, listed in the State Highway Section for fiscal year (FY) 2017, was removed from the TIP and was for intermittent milling and resurfacing on Interstate 57 in Kankakee County. Interstate 55 in Livingston County required emergency repairs so IDOT needed to move those funds. Mr. Olson said the Village of Bradley was awarded their Illinois Transportation Enhancement Project application so the project must now be added to the TIP. The project is a multi-use

path along Illinois Route 50 that extends the existing path from the southwest mall entrance (Ken Hayes Drive) to Larry Power Road. The amount of ITEP funds will be \$333,800.00 and a local share from the Village of Bradley for \$94,700.00. The total project cost is \$428,500.00. Mayor Schore motioned approval of the TIP Amendment. Mayor Fowler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

FY 2017 UWP Amendment

None.

METRO Update

Mr. Koning explained that River Valley METRO has been forced to make service cuts because they have not received payments from the State. He directed everyone to a letter that was handed out. Please see the attached page from METRO at the end of these minutes.

IDOT District 3 Update

Mr. Lindenmier referred everyone to the attached memo with project updates. Please see the last page for current updates.

IDOT Urban Planning Update

None.

FHWA Update

None.

Safety Committee Update

Mr. Tyson said the Safety Crash Subcommittee meetings have been suspended due to less material currently being discussed.

Brookmont Boulevard Update

Mr. McBurney said they continuing to look for funding opportunities.

Riverfront Trail Update

Mr. McBurney said construction has begun and the outside bridge piers are being built first. If the river remains low this fall the center pier may also be completed this year.

Industrial Drive Update

Dr. Gingerich said there were no updates.

New Business

Obligated Project Listing

Mr. Olson said everyone should have received a copy of the Obligated Project Listing for FY 2016. The document outlines transportation projects using federal funds from FY 2016 that have had those funds obligated. The document is required every September and explains the steps of the construction process. He said it only has a few projects listed and said it may be because some projects that have been let with advance construction have not had federal funds obligated yet. Mr. Olson asked if there were questions or comments. There were none.

Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on Heavy Truck Speeds

Mr. Olson said he wanted to inform the committee about a proposed rulemaking at the federal level that would affect trucks weighing over 26,000 pounds. The rulemaking looks to require electronic speed limiting devices on all affected trucks manufactured after a specified date. Mr. Olson said he will submit comments before the November 7, 2016 deadline. Mr. Olson asked if there were any questions or comments. There were none.

Old Business

There was no old business.

Next Scheduled Meeting

The next meeting of the Safety Committee will be held on January 11, 2017 at 9:30 AM.

The next MPO Technical Advisory Committee and Policy Committee meetings will be on January 25, 2017 starting at 3:00 PM.

Adjournment

Mayor Nugent motioned for adjournment and Mayor Fowler seconded. Unanimous Vote. Motion Carried. Chairman Epstein adjourned the meeting at 3:21 P.M.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

From: Robert M. Hoffmann

Date: October 26, 2016

Subject: Temporary Service Reduction and Staff Assignments

Due to the State of Illinois' ongoing failure to properly distribute the local share of funds collected on behalf of Downstate Mass Transit we will be implementing the following effective November 1, 2016:

Elimination of North South Connector service

Elimination of Bourbonnais 11 service

Elimination of Sunday and Holiday service

Elimination of Sunday and Holiday Maintenance

Elimination of Saturday on-call Maintenance

Elimination of Saturday Fueling and Washing

We are exploring all possible means of maintaining a mass transit system for the people of Kankakee County. These reductions, along with other actions that we are taking, should allow the remaining routes to continue normal schedules for the remainder of this calendar year. We are hopeful that a resolution to this funding crisis can be found by that time.

River Valley Metro Mass Transit System serves the urbanized area of Kankakee County with over 350 bus stops, enabling residents of the Kankakee County area to attend school, go to work, keep appointments, and visit friends. Additionally, Metro Plus provides bus service by appointment for those who meet ADA eligibility requirements.

We also provide commuter bus service to Midway Airport and the Metra train station at University Park.

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IDOT DISTRICT 3 PROJECT STATUS – KANKAKEE URBAN AREA August 17, 2016

1. **I-57 at 6000N Road (Bourbonnais Parkway) New Interchange** – The tentative start date for the grade crossing reconstruction is Fall 2016. The signal work will coincide with the stage construction of 6000N road, probably during 2017. Pavement construction (both stabilized sub-base and PCC pavement) will commence in August and September. Pavements will be constructed along US45/52 and each new ramp. Parts of 6000N Rd. will also be paved this fall, weather depending. The overhead structure over 57 may be removed over the winter months. IL 50 intersection, US 45/52 Stage II work, and new overhead structure will remain for 2017.
2. **IL 17 from west of S5000W Road to 0.3 miles east of W175 Road in Kankakee – New Two Way Left Turn Lane** –The job is complete, waiting on some re-seeding to establish before final acceptance.
3. **I-57 over the Kankakee River, south of IL 17 - Bridge Replacements** – Project is complete
4. **IL 102 over Rock Creek Bridge – Bridge Replacement** – Project will be open by Labor Day. Miscellaneous ditchwork and bituminous paving remains.
5. **Southbound IL 50 (Indiana Ave.) at the KB&S RR crossing** – The grade crossing was reconstructed the week of July 25, 2016. The signal circuitry upgrade project will start once the KB&S Railroad receives approval of the circuitry plans from the Illinois Commerce Commission. It is anticipated that the signal project will be completed this fall.
6. **I-57 from Iroquois County Line to South of the IL 50 Interchange** – Scheduled start of project is August 22nd and should last 5-6 weeks. All lanes will be open on weekends.
7. **IL 1 from the S Junction of IL 1/IL 17 to Iroquois County Line** – This project was on the June 10, 2016 letting and involves placing aggregate wedge shoulders to eliminate drop-offs adjacent to the existing pavement. Project will start in October and last for a week or two. Very minimal impacts to traffic.
8. **IL 113 from Will County Line to W3000N Rd** – This project was on the June 10, 2016 letting and consists of 5.5 miles of bituminous shoulder widening and rumble strips. Scheduled to start in late-September and last a month. Minimal impacts to traffic.