

**Policy Committee**  
Kankakee Area Transportation Study (K.A.T.S.)  
Metropolitan Planning Organization (M.P.O.)  
**Minutes**  
**June 27, 2018**

**Policy Committee Members Present:**

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| Mayor Nugent –Chairman         | Village of Manteno             |
| Chairman Wheeler–Vice Chairman | County of Kankakee             |
| Mayor Schore                   | Village of Bourbonnais         |
| Mayor Stump                    | Village of Aroma Park          |
| Mr. Caldwell                   | IDOT OP&P                      |
| Mr. Donovan                    | Federal Highway Administration |
| Mr. Lindenmier                 | IDOT District 3                |
| Mr. Magolan                    | IDOT District 3                |

**Others Present:**

Dr. Gingerich, Mr. Koning, Mr. McBurney, Mr. Olson, Mr. Piggush, Mr. Rogers, Mr. Skimerhorn, Mr. Tyson, Mr. Weber.

**Call to Order**

Chairman Nugent called the meeting to order at 3:30 P.M.

**Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

**Minutes**

Chairman Nugent said the minutes from the May 2, 2018 meeting were before the committee for approval and asked if there were any corrections or comments. There were no corrections or comments. Mayor Schore motioned to approve both sets of minutes as presented. Mayor Stump seconded the motion. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

**Approval of Proposed Agenda**

Chairman Nugent asked for changes to the agenda. There were none. Mayor Schore motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Mayor Stump seconded the motion. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

**FY 2018 Unified Work Program Amendment**

Mr. Olson stated the amendment to the Fiscal Year 2018 Unified Work Program added funds to the program administration work element. For the Executive Director, the funds were shifted from the graphic support work element. Funds already programmed for the Transportation Program Manager were shifted from other work elements to program administration and long range planning. The amendment was revenue neutral. Chairman Nugent asked if there were

any questions. There were none. Chairman Nugent asked Mr. Rogers if the Technical Advisory Committee had a recommendation. Mr. Rogers said the Technical Advisory Committee recommended approval of the amendment. Mayor Stump motioned to recommend approval of the FY 2018 Unified Work Program amendment. Mayor Schore seconded the motion. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

### **Amendment of FY 2019 Unified Work Program**

Mr. Olson said the Fiscal Year 2019 Unified Work Program has been amended to change the Transportation Technical Assistant position to a new Transportation and Economic Development Project Coordinator position. The position will be funded by the KATS MPO, the Economic Alliance of Kankakee County, and Kankakee County. The purpose of the position is to work on identifying transportation needs due to economic development in the region and to provide coordination and ensure all stakeholders are informed and can participate in planning process of transportation improvements that are identified as current and future needs. Item number seven was also added to the planning services work element to describe the tasks the position will be working on.

Mr. Olson stated the amount of funds previously programmed for the Transportation Technical Assistant were reprogrammed for a small amount in public involvement for meeting attendance and the rest was placed in planning services. The total amount being programmed from the Transportation Technical Assistant to the project coordinator also included the indirect cost, which had to be replaced with funds that were previously programmed under non-personnel. The Economic Alliance has secured up to \$30,000 from the enterprise zone to pay for a portion of the salary for the new position because it is related to economic development. Because the position will be under Kankakee County, the County will be paying for the costs of fringe benefits for the position, which is why there is an amount of \$0 programmed under fringe benefits.

Chairman Nugent provided additional details on the new position and explained that Kankakee County is experiencing economic growth and additional growth is expected after the new interchange is completed and Hobbie Ave is reconstructed. As a result, highway improvements will be needed to address the increase in traffic. Some areas such as the intersection of Illinois Route 50 and Armour Road already have increased traffic volumes. Chairman Wheeler added that the employee would be able to provide assistance wherever it's needed in the region, not just in the area of that intersection. Mayor Schore commented that the traffic on Armour Road, west of IL-50, often backs up over the bridge and it will only get worse. Chairman Nugent asked if there were any more questions or comments. There were none. Chairman Nugent asked if the Technical Advisory Committee had a recommendation. Mr. Rogers stated the Technical Advisory Committee recommended the FY 2019 Unified Work Program amendment for approval. Chairman Wheeler motioned to approve the amended Unified Work Program. Mayor Schore seconded the motion. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

### **FY 2018 Transportation Improvement Program Amendments**

There were no amendments.

## **Adoption of FY 2019 Transportation Improvement Program**

Mr. Olson directed everyone to their copy of the FY 2019 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) in the meeting materials and described the programmed projects, which phases were programmed in each fiscal year of the document, and the funding amounts in the transit, local highway, and bicycle and pedestrian sections.

Chairman Nugent asked about how a transportation need can be included in the TIP after it becomes identified. Mr. Olson explained that projects in the TIP must be included in the metropolitan long range transportation plan (LRTP) before it can be placed in the TIP. Typically many of the expected transportation needs, however unlikely at the time of preparation get included in the list of projects in the long range plan. If a project is not in the LRTP it can be amended into the plan. Chairman Nugent asked how the Policy Committee can prioritize the needed improvements at IL-50 and Armour Rd to the front of the list. Mr. Olson explained that when the current 2040 plan was prepared, projects were categorized into four priorities: tier 1, tier 2, tier 3, and illustrative projects. Mr. Magolan indicated that the project at IL-50 and Armour Rd was placed in Tier 1. Chairman Nugent suggested that a letter of support from the MPO be sent to pertinent transportation officials and legislators.

Chairman Nugent asked if there were any more questions or comments. There were none. Chairman Nugent asked if the Technical Advisory Committee had a recommendation. Mr. Rogers stated the Technical Advisory Committee recommended the FY 2019 Transportation Improvement Program for approval. Mayor Schore motioned to adopt the FY 2019 Transportation Improvement Program. Mayor Stump seconded the motion. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

## **Performance Measures Intergovernmental Agreement**

Chairman Nugent said everyone was present for the performance measures update at the Technical Advisory Committee meeting and asked if there were any additional questions or comments. There was none.

## **Agency Updates**

### **METRO**

Mr. Koning stated METRO was awarded their capital grant and has begun the first steps in improving about 350 stops to meet ADA standards.

### **IDOT District 3 Update**

Mr. Lindenmier provided an update on the status of projects in the area. Those updates are attached to the end of the minutes.

### **IDOT Urban Planning Update**

Mr. Caldwell informed everyone that the IDOT Fall Planning Conference will be held in Peoria on October 11 and 12.

## **FHWA Update**

None.

## **Safety Committee Update**

None.

## **Brookmont Boulevard Update**

None.

## **Kankakee Valley Airport Authority Update**

None.

## **Updates from MPO Staff**

Mr. Skimerhorn said the new website is nearly completed. Mr. Olson stated, it was expected to be completed by the end of the month.

## **New Business**

Mr. Olson informed everyone that IDOT set their goals for the next set of performance measures. He explained the performance measures are only for the national highway system (NHS). In late 2017 there were five changes to the NHS in the KATS planning area. Four segments of state highways were removed from the system, and a segment approximately 1.5 miles long of Kankakee County Highway 9 from I-57 to US 45/52 was added. That is the only segment of non-state highway in the region that is on the national highway system.

The second set of performance measures (PM2) are for pavement and bridges on the national highway system that are in good or poor condition. The third performance measure (PM3) rulemaking is for reliable person miles traveled on the interstate and non-interstate national highway system as well as the truck travel time reliability index. For the Chicago and St. Louis metropolitan planning areas, PM3 includes air quality performance measures because they are air quality non-attainment areas. If the KATS region were to become a non-attainment area, the MPO would have those performance measures, too. IDOT set their targets on May 27, 2018. KATS has until November 14, 2018 to either support IDOT's targets or establish different goals for the MPO.

Mayor Stump stated Mr. Weber was now the appointed representative for Aroma Park on the Technical Advisory Committee.

## **Old Business**

None.

## **Next Scheduled Meeting**

The next MPO Technical Advisory Committee and Policy Committee meetings will be on August 29, 2018 starting at 3:00 PM.

## **Adjournment**

Chairman Nugent asked if there was any more business to discuss. There was none. Mayor Schore motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Stump seconded the motion. Unanimous vote. Motion carried. Chairman Nugent adjourned the meeting at 4:21 P.M.

## **IDOT DISTRICT 3 PROJECT STATUS – KANKAKEE URBAN AREA June 27, 2018**

**Note: Targeted contract lettings of projects cited below are contingent upon approval of the Governor and allocation of funds by the General Assembly**

### **STATE**

**I-57 at 6000N Road (Bourbonnais Parkway) New Interchange** – Railroad work is in progress and should be completed by the end of July. The local route detour for westbound traffic is on-going due to continued work at the west leg of the IL 50 intersection and railroad crossing. Southbound IL 50 will continue to be graded and prepped for concrete pavement scheduled in July. The curb and median work will follow and tie into the railroad crossing on 6000 N Rd. Sometime this Fall, the interchange should be open and functional. Overall project completion is anticipated to be late Fall.

**US 45/52: W Industrial Park Drive to 0.1 Miles N of Peerbotle Ave – Milling and Resurfacing** – The project is currently in Stage II with the patching and leveling binder complete in the passing lanes of Stage I. Pavement patching will continue in the outside driving lanes.

**US 45/52: Manteno-Deselm Road to Indian Oaks Road in Bourbonnais: Milling and Resurfacing** – Project tentatively scheduled to start on Monday July 9<sup>th</sup>. The project may temporarily alter the existing traffic pattern at the 6000N intersection due to the on-going interchange construction.

**IL 50: 0.5 Miles North of St. George Rd to 0.2 Miles North of I-57 in Bradley: Milling and Resurfacing** – Project awarded to Gallagher Asphalt. Pre-construction meeting scheduled for June 27<sup>th</sup> with a tentative start date of July 9<sup>th</sup>. Construction planned to be night work from 7 PM to 5 AM

**I-57: Under North Street, 2.0 Miles N of IL 17 in Bradley: Bridge Replacement** – Utility adjustments have delayed construction. The contractor has been building embankment in three quadrants of the structure. When the embankment is finished on the east side of I-57, the contractor plans to remove the existing structure. Overall project completion is anticipated to be Winter 2018/2019.

**I-57: North of IL 50 Interchange to Will County Line: Centerline Microsurfacing Joint Repair** – Project awarded to A.C. Pavement Striping. The project is tentatively scheduled to begin on July 11<sup>th</sup>. Construction planned to be night work from 7 PM to 5 AM.

**Armour Rd: Over ICRR, 0.3 Mi W of IL 50: Minor Bridge Repairs** – Project complete

**IL 113: Across from Riverside Hospital: Storm Sewer** – Project complete pending concrete strength test results for the driveway to be opened.

**IL 50: 0.4 Miles North of Bourbonnais Parkway to 0.1 Miles North of 2000E Rd: Shoulder Widening and Rumble Strips** – Project was on the June 15, 2018 letting. District recommended contract for award to KVCC.

**I-57: 1.5 Miles South of US 45/52 to 0.2 Miles North of River Rd: High Tension Cable Median Installation** – Project was on the June 15, 2018 letting. District recommended contract for award to Collins & Hermann.

**I-57: 0.7 Miles North of the Iroquois County Line to South of the Kankakee River Bridge: Intermittent Milling and Resurfacing** – Project was on the June 15, 2018 letting. District recommended contract for award to Gallagher Asphalt.

**I-57: Various Locations in Kankakee County: Tree Removal** – Project was on the June 15, 2018 letting. District recommended contract for award to Clean Cut Tree Service.

**I-57: Iroquois & Kankakee Counties: Pavement Patching** – Project was on the June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018 letting. District recommended contract for award to G.M. Sipes.

## **LOCAL**

Local Benefit Programs – The Department distributed the second half of the local benefit supplemental programs (County Consolidated, Needy Township, and High Growth Cities). Initial indications are funding appears to be good for FY 2019. A committee with IACE and IDOT is meeting to make slight adjustments to the criteria for the Needy Township program.

Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program – The Office of Planning & Programming is reviewing the applications for ITEP projects. The selected projects were announced at the Bike Summit on May 7<sup>th</sup> at UIC in Chicago.

Local Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) – IDOT issued a solicitation for local agency Highway Safety Improvement Program projects. Applications were due March 30<sup>th</sup> to the District BLRS Offices. 36 applications were received. The review process has completed. Awards were announced on June 14<sup>th</sup>.

FY 2018- 2022 Competitive Freight Funding Program – IDOT announced a new Competitive Freight Funding Program for state fiscal years FY 2018- FY 2022. The total program is \$331M. Safe Routes to Schools Program – The Bureau of Safety Programs and Engineering continues to indicate they would like to do another solicitation. The timing of this solicitation is still unclear.

General Maintenance MFT Procedures- The Bureau of Local Roads and Streets is finalizing a revision to Chapter 14 of the BLRS manual. There will be changes to the procedures for FY 19. There is a reduced emphasis on prior approval and estimates. The focus will shift to local agency's resolutions and the final expense statement.

GATA – All projects that are on a **state letting will use the BLR agreement form**, no matter the funding (ITEP, SRTS, EDP, TARP Major Br, etc).

Projects proposed for a local letting with either federal or state funds will need to use the new GATA agreement. Please see BLRS Circular Letter CL2017-19 for more information. BLRS staff are developing a one page summary to summarize the GATA requirements for each of the programs BLRS is involved with.

BLRS Forms – The Bureau of Local Roads has released a third batch of revised forms converted to Adobe PDF format. There will be at least two more batches of converted forms in the future. If agencies find any problems with the forms contact Tim Peters.  
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