



TRI-COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

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Peoria-Pekin Urbanized Area Transportation Study (PPUATS) Technical Committee

Wednesday, July 14, 2021, at 9:00am CDT

456 Fulton St, Suite 420

Peoria, IL 61602

1. Call to Order
Chairman Semonski called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. Roll Call

| Member | Present | Absent | Member | Present | Absent |
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| Amy McLaren, Peoria County | | x | Dustin Sutton* Peoria Heights | | x |
| Jeff Gilles, Peoria County | x | | Dennis Carr, City of Washington | x | |
| Mark Gilles, * Peoria County | | x | Jon Oliphant, City of Washington* | x | |
| Craig Fink, Tazewell County | | x | Patrick Meyer, Village of Bartonville | x | |
| Dan Parr, Tazewell County | | x | Terrisa Worsfold, IDOT | x | |
| Conrad Moore, Woodford County | x | | Karen Dvorsky* IDOT | | x |
| Alyssa McCain, City of Peoria | | x | Kinga Krider., City of West Peoria | x | |
| Nick Stoffer, City of Peoria | x | | Henry Strube City of West Peoria* | | x |
| Andrea Klopfenstein City of Peoria | | x | Craig Loudermilk, Village of Morton | | x |
| Sie Maroon* City of Peoria | x | | Frank Sturm, Village of Morton* | | x |
| Cindy Loos* City of Peoria | | x | Kenneth Coulter, City of Chillicothe | | |
| VACANT City of Peoria | | | Terry Koegel, Village of Creve Coeur | x | |
| Josie Esker, City of Pekin | | x | Nick Standefer, Citylink | | x |
| VACANT City of Pekin | | | Doug Roelfs*, Citylink | | x |
| Rick Semonski, City of East Peoria | x | | Gene Olson, MAAP | | x |
| Ty Livingston, City of East Peoria | x | | Eric Miller, TCRPC | x | |
| Mike Casey, Peoria Heights | | x | Rich Brecklin, Village of Germantown Hills | x | |

Staff: Debbie Ulrich, Ray Lees, and Ryan Harms **Staff virtual:** Gabriel Guevara, Britney West, Andrew Hendon, Michael Bruner, and Reema Abi-Akar **Also, in attendance virtually:** Al-Barre-Shebib, IDOT, and Mike Vanderhoof, IDOT, Russ Crawford, Mike Hudelson, and Hannah Martin

3. Public Comment

Russ Crawford talked about the merger transition and appointment process for Commission.

- Sie Marron asked what name is and he responded Tri-County Regional Planning Commission
- Nick Stoffer asked if we can still have substitutes, and Russ Crawford said there is no alternate process.
- Eric Miller added there is no option for alternates at this time. We will need to change our by-law of changes. There also will be a Strategic Planning session in the Fall.

4. Approval of Minutes, June 16, 2021, Meeting

Terry Koegel moved to approve the June 16, 2021, meeting minutes and Conrad Moore seconded. Motion carried.

5. Nominations Committee Report — Approval of Slate of Officers FYs 2022-2023 — *Memo*

- **Chair:** Craig Fink, Tazewell County
- **Vice-Chair:** Kinga Krider, City of West Peoria

Patrick Meyer moved to approve the Nomination Committee Report- Approval of Slate of Officers FYs 2022-2023 and Terry Koegel seconded.

- Ryan Harms said the by-laws of the PPUATS Technical Committee state that a Chair and Vice-Chair shall be elected from their representatives in good standing every two-year terms.

Motion carried.

6. Recommend to Commission TIP Amendment — Project S-22-16 Lighting — *Attachment*

Rick Semonski moved to recommend to Commission TIP Amendment- Project S-22-16 Lighting and Terry Koegel seconded.

- Terrisa Worsfold explained this is for a high mast light tower replacement on Riverfront Drive Spur east of Washington St. in East Peoria. Motion carried.

7. Recommend to Commission TIP Amendment — Project PEO-23-01 Rock Island Greenway — *Attachment*

Rick Semonski moved to recommend to Commission TIP Amendment- Project PEO-23-01 Rock Island Greenway and Terry Koegel seconded.

- Terrisa Worsfold explained this is for preliminary engineering, construction engineering, and construction of multi-use path, from Park Ave. to Spring St. in Peoria. Motion carried.

8. Staff Presentation — COVID Relief Funds Call for Projects Submissions

- Chillicothe Cloverdale Rd Preservation
- Woodford County CH 25 Preservation
- Creve Coeur Fischer Rd Preservation
- Washington Freedom Pkwy Phase 2

Ryan Harms explained each COVID Relief Funds Call for Projects Submission's. They are all online for review. We will schedule the review process and put a recommendation to Commission for approval.

Eric Miller asked if applicants would be willing to take less money so we can spread to more communities? Woodford County said he is not ready to answer. Washington and Creve Coeur are open to that. The committee is the 3 engineers from each County and Simon Alwan- IDOT.

9. Updates

a. Gray Area Study

Reema Abi-Akar explained the Gray Area Study

- Ryan Harms asked for a ballpark figure and Reema said \$87,000 for the Tri County region
- Eric Miller added this is an ongoing problem for the elderly and disabled needing rides to doctors, etc.
- Reema added the next step is to finalize the draft and use this as a guide to move forward in the 5310 to fill gaps.

b. IDOT Local Roads

AI—Barre-Shebib from IDOT

- COVID Relief Funds: Appreciate Ryan and the Technical Committee push to identify projects. Would like to see selected soon in order to avoid funds expiring in 2024.
- ITEP Funds: 4 projects selected in Tri-County area: City of Pekin, 2 in City of Chillicothe, and Rock Island Greenway mentioned during meeting. Kickoff meetings will be held in combination with Bi-Monthly Coordination Meeting with IDOT/FHWA in August.
- HSIP Funds: Projects have been selected and will be announced soon.

Rich Becklin asked about repairs on Rt116 thru Germantown Hills especially the east/west lanes. IDOT needs to come and fix.

Terrisa Worsfold said to call local IDOT and Rich Becklin said he did with no answer back. She then said to call IDOT community center.

10. Other

- a. Next meeting scheduled for August 18, 2021
- b. Disaster proclamation for virtual public meetings set to expire July 24, 2021

11. Adjournment

Adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Submitted by:
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Executive Director

Transcribed by:
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