

TRI-COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

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Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Technical Committee

Wednesday, November 17, 2021 at 9:00am CDT 456 Fulton St, Suite 420 Peoria, IL 61602

Call to Order
 Chairman Craig Fink called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. Roll Call

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

Staff: Debbie Ulrich, Gabriel Guevara, Logan Chapman, Reema Abi-Akar, Ray Lees, and Michael Bruner. **Other in person**: Brandon Geber- IDOT **Virtual Staff:** Britney West **Also, in attendance virtually:** Al-Barrae-Shebib- IDOT, and Betsy Tracey- FHWA

3. Public Comment

Eric Miller introduced Brandon Geber from IDOT as new MPO contact.

Approval of Minutes, October 20,2021 Meeting
 Conrad Moore moved to approve October 20, 2021, meeting minutes and Eric Miller seconded.
 Motion carried.

- 5. Recommend to Commission TIP Amendments Attachment
 - a. S-22-20 Traffic Signal Mast Arm Replacement
 Amy McLaren moved to recommend to Commission TIP Amendment S-22-20 and Kinga Krider seconded.
 - Michael Bruner reported this is for Traffic Signal Mast Arm Replacements at various locations in Macomb, Pekin, and Peoria
 - Terrisa Worsfold added there are seven locations, and it is April letting.

Motion carried.

b. S-22-21 Bridge Deck Sealing

Rick Semonski moved to recommend to Commission TIP Amendment S-22-21 and Eric Miller seconded.

 Michael Bruner reported this is for bridge deck sealing in various locations in Tazewell County.

Motion carried.

- - Michael Bruner reported this is for the MPO to continue to support IDOT's targets for Safety (2% reduction in all measures)
 - Amy McLaren added actual data is not tracking and asked how to get numbers down moving forward
 - Eric Miller added State targets are actuality. What can we do in our control?
 - Amy McLaren suggested to have a team to discuss how to lower numbers.
 - Brandon Geber IDOT said the goal is to have zero.

Motion carried.

7. Recommend to Commission Special Transportation Studies Requests, FY 2022 – Handout Kinga Krider moved to recommend to Commission Special Transportation Studies Requests, FY2022 and Conrad Moore seconded.

- Eric Miller updated that every year there are MPO funds set aside for Special Studies in the amount of \$80,000.
- Michael Bruner said we have received three studies: East Peoria Stormwater Planning Management for \$80,000; Peoria Passenger Rail Planning Study for \$50,000; and Peoria County Hanna City Trail Connection for \$20,000. The selection Committee met and discussed the three studies received and decided on City of Peoria Passenger Rail Planning Study for \$50,000 and Peoria Hanna City Trail Connection Study for \$20,000 plus the remaining \$10,000. The Committee determined that the project met many goals listed in the FAST Act and LRTP.

Vote was taken with 1 Nay. Motion carried.

8. Updates

a. Hanna City Trail

Reema Abi-Akar updated she is collaborating with IDNR for award of purchase of right of way. She is talking to Jane Adams trail

b. Activity-Based TDM

Michael Bruner updated we have had interviews with consultants and are in the process of getting references. A meeting is scheduled this Friday to discuss applicants and decide.

- c. ISI Asset Management
 - Ray Lees updated on a DOT-US demonstration and orientation.

Other updates

- Updates on Bob Michael Bridge feasibility study. Ty Livingston added this was a two ½ year study. Eric Miller said the bridge would be closed during construction season
- Eric Miller added we are in process of hiring a Planner
- Eric Miller advised there will be a transportation event in March-April timeframe which includes a Strategic Planning Session

d. IDOT Local Roads

Al-Barrae-Shebib updated on the following:

- Good to see the HSIP moving forward with Tazewell County as lead agency, encourage the Technical Committee and all Agencies involved to keep project moving to next step
- Reminder to expend RBI and Covid Relief Funds before funds lapse
- Understand eagerness to see details with the transportation bill, expecting
 updates soon. It is important to continue progress on existing projects, reach out
 to Local Roads Field Engineers with questions.
- Last update Circular Letter 2021-23 was published related to Apprenticeship Program, it may apply to the construction of your upcoming projects.

FHWA Update - Betsy Tracy informed they had not yet been briefed on the new federal infrastructure act

9. Other

a. Next meeting scheduled for December 15, 2021
 Eric Miller mentioned it is undecided if we will have a PPUATS Technical meeting in December.

10. Adjournment

Conrad Moore moved to adjourn at 9:43 a.m. and Kinga Krider seconded. Motion carried.

Submitted by:

Eric Miller, Executive Director

Transcribed by:

Debbie Ulrich, Office Manager