POLICY COMMITTEE

KANKAKEE AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY (K.A.T.S.) METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (M.P.O.)

MINUTES JANUARY 26, 2005

POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Latham Bourbonnais
Mayor Grimsley Aroma Park
Mr. McLaren Kankakee County

Mr. Paukovitz Representing Illinois Department of Transportation

Mr. Hoffmann Representing River Valley *METRO* Mass Transit District

Mayor Balthazor Bradley

Mr. Tyson Representing Kankakee

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mr. Piekarczyk and Mr. Lammey, Kankakee County; Mr. Threadgill and Ms. Durbin, IDOT; Mr. Mayes, Bradley; Dr. Gingerich, Bourbonnais; Ms. McElroy, Herald; and Mr. Morgan, Daily Journal.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Grimsley called the meeting to order at 11:00 A.M.

MINUTES

Mayor Latham moved that the October 27, 2004 Minutes be approved, and Mr. Tyson seconded. Unanimous vote.

TIP AMENDMENT

Mr. Hoffmann stated that *METRO* is requesting an amendment (below) to the Annual Element of the Transit Portion of the <u>FY 2005 Transportation Improvement Program</u> to reflect the final funding figures. Mr. Piekarczyk stated that the Technical Advisory Committee has taken action on this amendment, and is recommending adoption by the Policy Committee.

PROJECT	PROJECT	FUND		
NAME	DESCRIPTION	SOURCE	COST	APPLICANT
Section 5307	Urban Transit	FTA	\$815,560	River Valley
(Operating)	Service	IDOT	\$1,062,900	METRO Mass
		Local	\$116,400	Transit District

Mayor Latham moved adoption, and Mayor Balthazor seconded. Unanimous vote.

STU DRAWDOWN POLICY

Mr. Piekarczyk stated that the Illinois Department of Transportation has adopted a policy to draw down the funding in the STU (Surface Transportation Urban) funding to a \$0 balance by the close of FY 08. He stated that this will affect the Kankakee Area Transportation Study by advancing projects through the process with the same funding as was in place previously. He stated that the Technical Advisory Committee recommends that the Policy Committee approve the following program of projects, and that Kankakee County would skip its' turn during the next round of project funding:

FISCAL	AGENCY	PROJECT	FUNDING CONCEPT	CURRENT
YEAR				FUNDING
FY 07	Aroma Park	Lowe Road	2 years' allocation plus \$100,000	\$1,336,266.86
FY 07	Bourbonnai s	Burns Road	2 years' allocation	\$1,236,266.86
FY 08	Kankakee County	Lowe Road	2 years' allocation	\$1,236,266.86
FY 08	Bradley	Cardinal Drive	2 years' allocation	\$1,236,266.86

Mayor Latham stated that he wanted to confirm that the Burns Road project would be a FY 07 project, and Mr. Piekarczyk stated that was the proposal. Mayor Balthazor moved adoption of the program of projects, and Mr. McLaren seconded. Unanimous vote.

LOWE ROAD UPDATE

Mr. Tyson stated that the project is in design and is targeted for a letting in June 2006, for construction in FY 2007.

METRO REPORT

Mr. Hoffmann stated that night service until 10:30 P.M. will be instituted on February 1, and that some routes will undergo modification at that same time. He stated that trial service is being instituted for Olivet at the same time. He stated that SB 2179 (bill for funding of full implementation of service) is now dead, and that a new bill was being discussed that would cover full implementation and service to University Park.

IDOT REPORT

Mr. Paukovitz gave the following report:

- The signalization project at Lowe Road and Illinois Route 17 was let last January 21.
- The bridge project at Illinois Route 102 and Davis Creek project had been waiting for the utilities to be relocated, and that has happened. He stated that the project is now waiting for the weather to allow continued construction activity.
- The Illinois Route 113 project from Riverside Hospital to Illinois Route 17 will progress as quickly as the weather will allow.
- In response to a question from Mayor Latham, he stated that Phase II Engineering for the

Armour Road project is scheduled for FY 06. Mr. Piekarczyk clarified that Phase II includes right of way acquisition and design.

LAND USE/TRANSPORTATION STUDY

Mr. Lammey stated that the study is on track for a September 2005 finish, and that the next step would be the development of three alternative scenarios of growth for local officials to review.

COMMUTER RAIL FEASIBILITY STUDY

Mr. Lammey stated that the next meeting of the Task Force is scheduled for February 15 in Peotone, and that a Final Report would be available for review.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

Chairman Grimsley stated that the next meeting of the Policy Committee is scheduled for March 30, 2005 at 11:00 A.M.

ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Tyson moved adjournment, and Mayor Balthazor seconded. Unanimous vote. Chairman Grimsley adjourned the meeting at 11:15 A.M.