

POLICY COMMITTEE
KANKAKEE AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY (K.A.T.S.)
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (M.P.O.)
MINUTES
MARCH 31, 2010

POLICY COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Dykstra	Aroma Park
Mr. Tyson	Representing Kankakee
Mayor Adams	Bradley
Chairman Bossert	Kankakee County
Mayor Schore	Bourbonnais
Mr. Paukovitz	Representing Illinois Department of Transportation

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mr. Piekarczyk, Mr. Lammey and Mr. Greenstreet, Kankakee County; Ms. Stitt, Mr. Lang and Ms. Pillion, IDOT; Dr. Gingerich, Bradley; Mr. McBurney, Bourbonnais; Mr. Piggush, Aroma Park; Mr. Koning, Robinson Engineering, and Ms. Marcotte

CALL TO ORDER

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

MINUTES

Mayor Adams moved approval of the January 27, 2010 minutes. Mr. Paukovitz seconded the motion. Unanimous vote.

AGENDA

Mr. Paukovitz moved approval of the Agenda, and Chairman Bossert seconded the motion. Unanimous vote.

DRAFT FY 2011 UNIFIED WORK PROGRAM

Mr. Lammey stated that the contract with IDOT required the action of the MPO on a draft **FY 2011 Unified Work Program** at the March meeting. He reviewed the document and highlighted a section in contractual services dealing with the possibility of baseline measurements of Performance Measures, an item as yet undetermined by federal legislation. Mr. Piekarczyk stated that the Technical Advisory Committee recommends adoption of the draft **FY 2011 Unified Work Program** by the Policy Committee. Mr. Paukovitz moved approval, and Mayor Adams seconded the motion. Unanimous vote.

ARRA ROUND 2

Ms. Stitt stated that the current information she was receiving was that the ARRA Round 2 was a dead issue.

BURNS ROAD

Mr. Tyson stated his belief that this issue had been resolved between IDOT and the Village of Bourbonnais.

LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN DISCUSSION

Mr. Lammey reported that two meetings have been held on the document between FHWA, IDOT and MPO staff. Ms. Stitt reported that FHWA is reasonably satisfied with the draft document, and has suggested minor changes. Mr. Lammey stated that some of those changes are being made, where data is available to support the changes.

Mr. Lammey stated that the draft Long – Range Transportation Plan was posted on the MPO website on March 22, 2010, which would give the required 45 day period for public comment prior to the May 12, 2010 MPO meeting, at which time the document can be acted upon. Mr. Lammey stated that MPO staff want to meet with each Policy Committee member and their Technical Advisory Committee member in the intervening month, to discuss the specific ramifications of the document, and to make sure that all important issues to each community are addressed in the document.

IDOT UPDATE

Mr. Paukovitz gave the report attached to these Minutes.

6000 N. ROAD

Mr. McBurney stated that they are waiting for engineering agreement approval from IDOT.

BROOKMONT BOULEVARD

Mr. McBurney stated that the Draft Project Development Report has been submitted to IDOT for review and comment.

BRADLEY SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOLS PROJECTS

Dr. Gingerich stated that the ramp project will be bid on April 23, and that the intersection design for Broadway and Schuyler will be let in summer.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

Chairman Schore stated that the next Policy Committee meeting will be at 3:30 P.M. on May 12.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Dykstra moved adjournment, and Mr. Paukovitz seconded. Unanimous approval. Chairman Schore adjourned the meeting at 3:46 P.M.

IDOT PROJECT STATUS - KANKAKEE URBAN AREA

NOTE:

**Targeted contract lettings of projects cited below are
Contingent upon approval of the Governor and allocation
Of funds by the General Assembly ; and/or the ARRA**

1. Proposed I-57 interchange at 6000 N Road

The FHWA found the Access Justification Report satisfactory and thereby on April 19, 2006 granted concept approval for an interchange. Concept approval constitutes the FHWA's determination that the proposal is operationally acceptable. The FHWA's final approval of the access revision will be considered after approval of the Phase I engineering report and completion of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process. The firm T.Y. Lyn International is the consultant selected for phase I engineering. A draft of the Environmental Assessment was submitted to the IDOT's Springfield Central Office on May 7, 2009 for review. The Phase I consultant is currently making revisions to the EA following comments and recommended made by IDOT & FHWA's review. This being a "Jobs Now!" capital bill project, approximately \$58 million has been identified for this project, as part of the 2010-2015 multi-year program. In October, 2009 Hansen Engineering was selected to conduct a phase II engineering study, programmed in FY 2010 at \$800,000. A public meeting on the project will not occur until the environmental assessment and phase I engineering are fully completed and approved by the FHWA.

2. Armour Road: US Route 45/52 to CNIC RR Bridge

This project was on the April 24, 2009 letting as an American Recovery & Reinvestment Act project. A formal agreement has been jointly approved by Bourbonnais and the State regarding the transfer jurisdictional of Armour Road, (from US 45/52 to the west end of Structure #046-0063 spanning the CN RR. Utility work continues. The IDOT District 3 office has been in discussions the village of Bourbonnais to modify the drainage of the reconstructed Armour Road. Roadway construction is expected to begin this spring when utility work has been completed and weather becomes more favorable.

3. Interstate 57 at the Kankakee River:

Replacement of this structure remains on the multiyear program.