

POLICY COMMITTEE
KANKAKEE AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY (K.A.T.S.)
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (M.P.O.)
MINUTES
JANUARY 26, 2011

POLICY COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Dykstra	Aroma Park
Mayor Epstein	Kankakee
Mayor Adams	Bradley
Chairman Bossert	Kankakee County
Mayor Schore	Bourbonnais
Ms. Pillion	Representing Illinois Department of Transportation

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mr. Piekarczyk, Mr. Lammey, Mr. Greenstreet, and Ms. Harper, Kankakee County; Ms. Baxter, Mr. Caldwell and Mr. Piper, IDOT; Mr. Ho, FHWA; Dr. Gingerich, Bradley; Mr. McBurney, Bourbonnais; Ms. Clumpner, Robinson Engineering; Mr. Tyson, Kankakee; Ms. Dick, SHOWBUS; Ms. Franke, METRO Board, 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 October 27, 2010 minutes. Chairman Bossert seconded the motion. Unanimous vote.

AGENDA

Mayor Dykstra moved approval of the Agenda, and Mayor Adams seconded the motion. Unanimous vote.

FY 2011 TIP AMENDMENTS

Mr. Lammey stated that there were amendments to the State Highway program, and to the Local Bicycle and Pedestrian program. Ms. Pillion stated that safety money had become available to be used for a reconstruction of the railroad crossing at northbound Illinois Route 50 and the KB&S railroad. She stated that the safety funding would buy the materials for the reconstruction, and that the railroad would provide the labor.

Mr. McBurney stated that engineering is now being paid for in the Manteno Greenways project, and that this has changed the funding in the current year and the following two program years.

He stated that the addition of Enhancement funding to the Riverside Trail project has changed the funding for the current year and the following two program years. Dr. Gingerich stated that the Enhancement project for the Village of Bradley is to construct a shared use path on the eastern side of Illinois Route 50 from Armour Road to the mall entrance to connect with a path being constructed as part of the IDOT project at the Interstate 57 interchange.

Mr. Piekarczyk stated that the Technical Advisory Committee has investigated the proposed amendment, and states that there is no impact to STPU funding. Further, the Technical Advisory Committee recommends that the Policy Committee approve the amendment. Mayor Epstein moved approval of the amendment to the **FY 2011 Transportation Improvement Program**, and Chairman Bossert seconded the motion. Unanimous vote.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN

Mr. Lammey stated that an amendment is proposed to the Public Participation Plan to advertise the website for the MPO, and to give instructions in its use. Mayor Dykstra moved approval, and Mayor Adams seconded. Unanimous vote. Chairman Schore suggested that a link to the website be given to each community, so that their respective websites could be used, as well.

METRO UPDATE

There was no update, as Mr. Hoffmann was not at the meeting.

IDOT UPDATE

Ms. Pillion gave the report attached to these Minutes.

6000 N. ROAD

Mr. McBurney stated that preliminary design continues.

BROOKMONT BOULEVARD

Mr. McBurney stated that funding sources are still being sought for the project.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

Chairman Schore stated that the next Policy Committee meeting will be at 3:30 P.M. on March 30, 2011.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Adams moved adjournment, and Mayor Dykstra seconded. Unanimous approval. Chairman Schore adjourned the meeting at 3:43 P.M.

January, 2011

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

1. Proposed I-57 interchange at 6000 N Road

The firm Hanson Engineering is the consultant selected for phase II engineering. The Environmental Assessment was approved by the FHWA on January 7, 2011. Subsequently, IDOT District 3 met with local public officials on January 10, 2011 to review Phase I engineering findings. Further, IDOT will be hosting an open house public meeting to present this same information to citizens. The meeting is to be held at Village of Bourbonnais' Community Room on Thursday, March 3, 2011, 4pm to 7pm. As a "Jobs Now!" capital bill project, approximately \$55 million has been identified for this project, as part of the 2010-2015 multi-year program.

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

This American Recovery & Reinvestment Act project is nearly completed. A few punch list items to address. (Signals, lighting & landscaping) When done, the village of Bourbonnais will assume jurisdiction of Armour Road from US 45/52 to the west end of Structure #046-0063 spanning the CN RR. Jurisdictional transfer will occur later in spring or summer, 2011.

3. Interstate 57 at the Kankakee River:

Replacement of this structure remains on the multiyear program.

4. Interstate 57: From just north of the IL 50 interchange and extending northerly to the Will County Line.

Just a few punch list items to address such as reflectors & striping

5. Interstate 57 @ Waldron Rd.

Repair to the retaining wall to begin this Spring, 2011.

6. Interstate 57: From near Armour Road in Bradley southerly to the Iroquois County line.

This project is completed.

7. Illinois 17: from 4 lane pavement in City of Kankakee to N&S RR in Village of Limestone

Progress has been made on the Phase I engineering of IDOT safety project to construct a 3 lane roadway of Illinois 17, beginning at the four lane pavement section at the west edge of Kankakee and extending westerly 3.3 miles to the Norfolk & Southern Railroad crossing in the Village of Limestone. Local officials are being contacted to choose a time place to meet and discuss the proposed project.

8. NB Illinois 50 (Harrison Ave.) @ KB&S RR:

At grade crossing to be repaired this summer 2011.

9. I-57 & Illinois 50 Interchange Reconstruction:

Work is tentatively scheduled to begin in summer 2011.