

POLICY COMMITTEE
KANKAKEE AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY (K.A.T.S.)
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (M.P.O.)
MINUTES
MAY 8, 2013

POLICY COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Dykstra	Aroma Park
Mayor Fowler	Aroma Park
Mr. Paukovitz	Representing Illinois Department of Transportation
Mayor Schore	Bourbonnais
Mr. Bossert	Kankakee County
Mayor Adams	Bradley
Mayor Epstein	Kankakee
Mayor Nugent	Manteno
Mr. Grimsley	River Valley METRO Mass Transit District

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mr. Van Mill, Mr. Lammey and Mr. Greenstreet, Kankakee County; Mr. Caldwell, Ms. Pillion, Mr. Klein and Mr. Blakley, IDOT; Mr. Piggush, Aroma Park; Mr. Spathis and Mr. McBurney, Bourbonnais; Ms. Dick, SHOW BUS; Dr. Gingerich, Bradley; Mr. Tyson, Kankakee, and Mr. Hoffmann, Mr. Koning and Ms. Franke, METRO

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Schore called the meeting to order at 3:31 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

INTRODUCTION

Chairman Schore introduced Mayor Fowler to the Policy Committee and welcomed her to the group.

THANK YOU

Chairman Schore thanked Mayor Dykstra for his years of service on the Policy Committee.

ELECTION OF POLICY COMMITTEE CHAIR

Chairman Schore stated that the floor was open for nominations for Chair of the Policy Committee, and nominated Mayor Epstein for the position. Mayor Adams seconded the motion. Mayor Schore moved that the nominations be closed, and Mayor Dykstra seconded the motion. The vote on closure of the nominations was unanimous, as was the vote for Mayor Epstein for Policy Committee Chair.

Mayor Epstein assumed the Chair.

ELECTION OF POLICY COMMITTEE VICE-CHAIR

Chairman Epstein opened the floor for nominations for Vice-Chairman, and Mayor Adams nominated Mayor Nugent for the position. Chairman Bossert seconded the motion. Mayor Dykstra moved that the nominations be closed, and Mr. Paukovitz seconded the motion. The vote on closure of the nominations was unanimous, as was the vote for Mayor Nugent for Policy Committee Vice-Chair.

APPOINTMENT OF TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Chairman Epstein asked each jurisdiction to appoint their Technical Advisory Committee member:

- Aroma Park - reappointment of Mr. Neil Piggush
- Bourbonnais - reappointment of Mr. Steve McBurney
- Bradley - reappointment of Dr. Mike Gingerich
- Kankakee - reappointment of Mr. Dave Tyson
- Kankakee County - reappointment of Mr. Mark Rogers
- METRO - reappointment of Mr. Rob Hoffmann, with Mr. Cortney Koning as a designated substitute
- Manteno - reappointment of Mr. Brian O'Keefe
- IDOT - reappointment of Mr. Lou Paukovitz
- Kankakee Valley Airport Authority - communication will be held with KVAA to determine their wishes

MINUTES

Mayor Dykstra moved approval of the March 27, 2013 minutes. Mr. Paukovitz seconded the motion. Unanimous vote.

AGENDA

Mr. Paukovitz moved approval of the Agenda, and Mayor Schore seconded. Unanimous vote.

FY 2013 TIP AMENDMENTS

Mr. Lammey stated that there were no amendments.

FINAL FY 2014 UNIFIED WORK PROGRAM

Mr. Lammey stated that the MPO contract with IDOT requires Policy Committee action on a final **FY 2014 Unified Work Program** in May. He stated that there was a new funding source added to the document since the draft had been approved, to cover supervision of the rural transit program.

Mr. McBurney stated that the Technical Advisory Committee recommends adoption of the final **FY 2014 Unified Work Program**. Mayor Schore moved approval, and Mayor Adams seconded the motion. Unanimous vote.

DRAFT FY 2014 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Mr. Lammey reviewed the sections of the document, and Mr. Paukovitz reviewed the IDOT program for new projects and for projects that had moved significantly in the year to be programmed. Mr. McBurney stated that the Technical Advisory Committee had reviewed the document for accuracy, and was forwarding it to the Policy Committee for action. Mayor Schore moved approval, and Chairman Bossert seconded the motion. Unanimous vote.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN

Mr. Lammey discussed the RFP for hiring a consultant for the **Long-Range Transportation Plan**. Mayor Dykstra moved that the RFP be issued, and Mayor Schore seconded the motion. Unanimous vote.

SAFETY COMMITTEE

Mr. Tyson stated that the first meeting of the Safety Committee was held on April 24, 2013, and that he had been elected Chairman. He stated that the purpose of the Safety Committee is to bring together personnel from engineering, law enforcement, emergency response and the education community to discuss the common safety issue in Kankakee County, and to issue a Safety Plan. He stated that the Policy Committee formed the Safety Committee, and that the next meeting would be held on June 5, 2013 at 9 AM in the Community Room of the Village of Bourbonnais.

Mr. Greenstreet stated that the following seven (7) names were being forwarded to the Policy Committee to be added as members of the Safety Committee:

- Mr. Koning of River Valley METRO
- Lt. Michael Johnston of the Bradley Police Department
- Deputy Chief John Gerard of the Kankakee Police Department
- Chief Ed St. Louis of the Bourbonnais Fire Department
- Chief Jim Baird of the Bradley Fire Department
- Assistant Chief Philip Perkins of the Kankakee Fire Department
- Ms. Beth Wilcox, of the Herscher School District

Mayor Adams moved that these individuals be added to the membership of the Safety Committee. Chairman Bossert seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

HSIP SAFETY GRANT

Mr. Lammey distributed a letter from Mr. Dan Mestelle of IDOT District 3 (attached) in which District 3 withdraws their jurisdiction roadways from the proposed HSIP grant. Mr. Paukovitz stated that the District cannot expend so much of their resources in one area of the district, and that their Operations section did not agree with the recommendations.

Mayor Adams asked if the funding proposed for the local jurisdiction roadways was still in the grant, and Mr. Lammey stated that it was. Mayor Schore stated his desire for the local agencies

to continue in the grant request.

UPDATE ON METRO

Mr. Hoffmann stated that METRO was on pace for 950,000 rides this fiscal year, and that IDOT had approved a request for \$3 million in capital funding for METRO.

IDOT DISTRICT 3

Mr. Paukovitz gave the report attached to these Minutes.

BROOKMONT BOULEVARD

Mr. McBurney stated that the TIGER funding source was announced last week, and that an application will be submitted.

BURNS ROAD

Mr. McBurney stated that sidewalks are being constructed, and that bikepaths and surface will be constructed soon. He stated that the lighting is in progress.

INDUSTRIAL DRIVE

Dr. Gingerich stated that there was no change.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

Chairman Epstein stated that the next Policy Committee meeting will be at 3:30 P.M. on June 26, 2013.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Paukovitz moved adjournment, and Mayor Schore seconded. Unanimous approval. Chairman Schore adjourned the meeting at 4:03 P.M.



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KANKAKEE COUNTY
PLANNING DEPT.

May 3, 2013

Mr. Mike Lammey
Transportation Planner
Kankakee County Planning Department
189 East Court Street
Kankakee, IL 60901

Kankakee County Traffic Safety Audit Project

Dear Mr. Lammey:

We support the county's effort to address accidents and will continue to assist with the review and submittal of the HSIP application for funding. However, in reviewing your latest submittal, we find several of our comments from January 13, 2012 have not been addressed. Referencing your proposed appurtenance for the areas under state jurisdiction, in general, we have difficulty adding proposed safety features that do not address the specific trend of accident history.

We recommend you use the "Focused Approach" on intersections involving local jurisdictions only. As mentioned at our meeting on April 11, 2013, if you can gather local support, the district will continue to assist in the procurement of funding.

Sincerely,

Paul A. Loete, P.E.
Deputy Director of Highways,
Region Two Engineer

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. L. Mestelle".

By: Dan L. Mestelle, P.E.
Program Development Engineer

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

Phase II design engineering continues. IDOT District 3 has begun appraisals of properties. The project remains on schedule for the FY 2014 program. A new concern is the CN RR & ICC have various issues with the proposed reconstructed 6000 N Road crossing the CN tracks.

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

Based on meetings with local officials and a June 21, 2011 public hearing, phase I engineering is proceeding with design of a bidirectional turn lane. Appraisals and negotiations for land acquisition continue. This project is on the State's FY 14 program.

3. Interstate 57 at Illinois 17 (Court St.) Interchange in Kankakee

Phase I engineering of the proposed interchange replacement continues. A second public informational meeting was hosted by IDOT on March 19, 2013, at the Kankakee Library. A single point urban interchange design was presented to the attendees. Approximately 60 persons attended. Generally, most comments favored the proposed work. Concerns centered on noise levels and flooding along the I-57 ditches.

4. I-57 & Illinois 50 Interchange Reconstruction:

Bridge decks have been poured out as is most of the I-57 pavement work on I-57. Upper portions of the ramps will be completed. Preliminary staging work will soon begin on Illinois 50 so to accommodate traffic once construction work moves down onto Kinzie Ave.

5. Illinois 50 and Larry Power Road Intersection:

Underground utility relocation is currently underway & will need to be completed before any roadwork begins. There will be short temporary night time closures of Illinois 50 and Larry Power Road at times when the utility company is stringing across new cables. The villages and their police have been notified of these developments.

6. I-57 Overhead at North St.:

As indicated in the present KATS TIP this project is tentatively scheduled for FY 2015.

7. I-57 Overhead at St. George Rd. /C.H. 8

Phase II engineering underway. Preliminary plans will be provided to County when they become available. As indicated in the current KATS TIP this project is tentatively scheduled for FY 2016.

8. I-57 just north and south of the Kankakee River & Replacement of Kankakee River Bridge

Scheduled for a June 2013 contract letting is the construction of crossover pavement to be built on I-57 both north and south of the Kankakee River bridges. These crossovers will be used during the staging of traffic as the two interstate bridges are replaced. Bridge work is tentatively scheduled for a fall, 2013 letting. IDOT has been in contact with the Kankakee Valley Park Dist. regarding a pedestrian culvert under I-57.

9. IL 17 at the Kankakee River, to the East

This project of replacing rockers on the IL 17 bridge over the Kankakee River Bridge east of (and outside) the KATS limits, is nearly completed.