

Policy Committee
Kankakee Area Transportation Study (K.A.T.S.)
Metropolitan Planning Organization (M.P.O.)
Minutes
August 28, 2019

Policy Committee Members Present:

Mayor Tim Nugent, Chairman	Village of Manteno
Chairman Andrew Wheeler, Vice-Chairman	County of Kankakee
Jeff Benoit	Kankakee Valley Airport Authority
Mayor Paul Schore	Village of Bourbonnais
Mayor Mike Watson	Village of Bradley
Neil Piggush	City of Kankakee
Tom Caldwell	IDOT Office of Planning & Programming
John Donovan	Federal Highway Administration
Ryan Lindenmier	IDOT District 3

Others Present:44

Mike Gingerich, Cortney Koning, Dave Tyson, Dave Weber, Terry Memenga, Wayne Phillips, Mike Mergenthaler, Geoff Olson, Delbert Skimerhorn, Ben Wilson.

Call to Order

Chairman Nugent called the meeting to order at 3:00 P.M and took roll call. A quorum was present.

Public Comment

None.

Minutes

Chairman Nugent asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the June 26, 2019 meeting. Mayor Schore made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mayor Watson seconded the motion to approve the minutes. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

Approval of Proposed Agenda

Chairman Nugent asked for a motion to approve the proposed agenda. Mayor Watson motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Mayor Schore seconded the motion to approve the agenda. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

FY 2020 Unified Work Program Amendments

None.

FY 2020 Transportation Improvement Program Amendments

Mr. Olson presented one request for amendment to the FY 2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). IDOT requested an amendment for bridge deck sealing at various locations in Kankakee, Ford, and Iroquois Counties, which includes bridges within the KATS metropolitan planning area (MPA). The programmed project cost for the project within the KATS MPA was \$152,000, of which \$122,000 was funded by Surface Transportation Program-Flex funds and state matching funds of \$30,000.

Chairman Nugent asked if there was a recommendation from the Technical Advisory Committee. Mr. Rogers stated the Technical Advisory Committee reviewed and recommended the amendment for approval. Mayor Watson motioned approved the proposed amendment. Mayor Schore seconded the motion. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

Long Range Transportation Plan Update

Mr. Wilson informed members that the highway project list was being updated for the long range plan and that an evaluation tool was being created to for the list of projects and that KATS staff would be working with members to have something prepared for the October meeting. He reminded everyone that the Technical Advisory Committee will review the list of projects and make a recommendation. The Policy Committee will then make a decision on projects to program.

Agency Updates

Kankakee County Update

Chairman Wheeler said the intersection project at I-50 and Armour Road is looking a sixteen to eighteen-month period for a master plan.

METRO

None.

IDOT District 3 Update

Mr. Lindenmier referred everyone to the project update sheet distributed to member and included in the meeting materials (included at the end of these minutes). He said there is still no update on the multi-year program.

IDOT Urban Planning Update

None.

FHWA Update

None.

Safety Committee Update

None.

Brookmont Boulevard Update

None.

Hobbie Avenue

None.

Kankakee Valley Airport Authority Update

None.

Updates from Transportation and Development Division Manager

Mr. Wilson said he is looking to improve the resiliency chapter in the long range plan and asked members to submit a list of any roads that had to be closed due to weather events. He also said there would be culvert work on U.S. 45/52 north of Burns Road in Bourbonnais that would require the closure of U.S. 45/52. Mayor Nugent asked how long the road would be closed for and if there was a proposed detour. Mr. Tyson said the road was expected to be closed for about 2 weeks and that non-truck traffic would likely be detoured to St. George Road, Career Center Road, and Burns Road and that truck traffic would be routed to IL-50.

The last item Mr. Wilson mentioned was information on a Commerce Department grant outreach event during the week of October 7. The purpose is to have local government agency staff attend to learn about potential grant opportunities.

New Business

Bylaws Update

Mr. Wilson reminded everyone that at the last meeting the Policy Committee decided to change the meeting times of the KATS meetings to 2:30 PM for the Technical Advisory Committee meeting and 3:00 PM for the Policy Committee meeting. The KATS bylaws were being presented with an update that removed a prescribed time for the meetings to start. This would allow the Committee to change the meeting time in the future without having to revise the bylaws. Mayor Watson motioned to approve the changes to the bylaws. Mayor Schore seconded the motion. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

Old Business

Chairman Wheeler stated he would be traveling to Washington D.C. to meet with congressional legislators and asked if there had been major projects in the past that the KATS MPO had supported and if not, perhaps it would be worth discussing at future a meeting.

Next Scheduled Meeting

The next MPO Technical Advisory Committee meeting will be on October 30, 2019 starting at 2:30 PM and the Policy Committee meeting will be on October 30, 2019 starting at 3:00 PM.

Adjournment

Chairman Nugent asked if there was any more business to discuss. There was none. Mayor Schore motioned to adjourn the meeting. Chairman Wheeler seconded the motion. Unanimous vote. Motion carried. Chairman Nugent adjourned the meeting at 3:21 P.M.

IDOT DISTRICT 3 PROJECT STATUS – KANKAKEE URBAN AREA August 28, 2019 Note: Targeted contract lettings of projects cited below are contingent upon approval of the Governor and allocation of funds by the General Assembly

STATE

I-57: North of Kankakee River Bridge to South of the IL 50 Interchange: Resurfacing, Patching, & Structure Repairs – The shoulders were improved to maintain traffic during construction. Structure work will continue behind barrier wall until the end of the year. Next Spring the contractor is scheduled to perform nighttime milling and asphalt paving operations with a tentative completion date of July 2020.

I-57: 0.2 Miles North of 6000N Rd to 0.7 Miles South of Manteno Rd: High Tension Cable Median Installation – Cable rail is installed and tensioned. Still some site clean-up and landscaping to be done.

IL 17: Baker Creek, 2.3 Miles East of Kankakee: Superstructure Replacements and Substructure Widening – Tobey’s Construction – Stage II traffic was switched on August 27th. Contract has a December 6, 2019 completion date with 20 extra working days that will likely extend the project into next Spring.

I-57: Under St. George Rd in Bourbonnais: Bridge Replacement – D. Construction, Inc. – The substructure units and slopewalls are almost complete. Contractor is planning to schedule an I-57 nighttime closure to set I-beams the week of September 9th.

IL 50 (NB): 0.1 Miles North of Willow St in Kankakee: Railroad Crossing Improvement – Agreement sent to Norfolk Southern Railway on April 12, 2019. Waiting for railroad’s estimate and partially executed agreement.

I-57: Under North Street, 2.0 Miles N of IL 17 in Bradley: Bridge Replacement – Work complete pending final inspection & punch-list items.

IL 1: IL 17 to North Corporate Limit of St Anne: Resurfacing and Traffic Signal Improvements – Patching on IL 1 scheduled to start September 3rd. Milling & asphalt paving operations to follow.

I-57: At US 45/52 Interchange in Kankakee: Cleaning and Painting of Structural Steel – Preconstruction meeting was held last week. Contractor plans to start soon, but a date has not been set yet. There is a flashing board request for after Labor Day.

***IL 1/IL 17: IL 1(N) in Grant Park to 0.5 Mi E of IL 1(S): Centerline and Crack Joint Sealing** - Start sometime in mid-September

***US 45/52: Will Co Line to North of Manteno-Deselm Rd: Microsurfacing Centerline Joint** - Segment to be done last

***IL 50: Armour Rd to Brookmont Blvd in Kankakee:** Centerline & Crack Joint Sealing - Segment is complete

***IL 50: North of 6th St in Manteno to 0.7 Miles North of St George Rd in Bourbonnais:** Centerline and Crack Joint Sealing - Work planned to begin after Labor Day

***US 45/52 & IL 50: IL 115 to Industrial Park Dr in Kankakee:** Centerline & Crack Joint Sealing - Work planned to begin the week of August 26th

**All one contract*