

Technical Advisory Committee
Kankakee Area Transportation Study (K.A.T.S.)
Metropolitan Planning Organization (M.P.O.)

Minutes

August 26, 2020

Technical Advisory Committee Members Present:

Mr. Mark Rogers, Chairman	County of Kankakee
Mr. Neil Piggush, Vice-Chairman	City of Kankakee
Dr. Mike Gingerich	Village of Bradley
Mr. Jim Hanley	Village of Manteno
Mr. Cortney Koning	River Valley METRO
Mr. George Ryan Jr. (Proxy for Mr. Benoit)	Kankakee Valley Airport Authority
Mr. Dave Tyson	Village of Bourbonnais
Ryan Lindenmier	IDOT District 3
Tom Caldwell	IDOT Office of Planning and Programming

Others Present:

Mayor Tim Nugent(?), Mayor Paul Schore, Chairman Andrew Wheeler (?), Roger Blakley, Terry Memenga, Mike Mergenthaler, Geoff Olson, Delbert Skimerhorn, Ben Wilson.

Open Meeting:

Chairman Rogers opened the meeting at 2:30 P.M.

Roll Call:

Chairman Rogers asked for a roll call. A quorum was present.

Public Comment:

There was no public comment.

Approval of Minutes:

Mr. Tyson motioned to approve the minutes from the meeting of June 24, 2020 as presented.
Mr. Koning seconded the motion. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

Approval of Agenda:

Mr. Piggush motioned to approve the agenda as presented and Mr. Hanley seconded.
Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

FY 2021 Unified Work Program Amendments:

There were no amendments for the FY 2021 Unified Work Program.

FY 2021 Transportation Improvement Program Amendments:

Mr. Wilson stated there was an amendment request for the FY 2021 Transportation Improvement Program from the Illinois Department of Transportation. The amendment replaced the state projects in the FY 2021 Transportation Improvement Program and consisted of the projects from the IDOT Multi-Year Program. The programmed projects had a total of \$122,712,000 with \$103,652,000 coming from federal programs and a state match of \$19,060,000. Projects continued progress toward FAST Act safety, infrastructure condition, and congestion reduction performance targets.

Chairman Rogers asked if all projects in the amendment were for construction. Mr. Lindenmier stated some projects were for construction and others were for preliminary engineering. Chairman Rogers asked if the engineering was going to be performed by IDOT or contracted out. Mr. Lindenmier replied that smaller projects would be engineered by IDOT and large projects would be contracted out.

Dr. Gingerich motioned to forward the FY 2021 TIP Amendment, as presented, to the Policy Committee for approval. Mr. Tyson seconded the motion. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

Adoption of Draft Updated Public Participation Plan

Mr. Wilson explained that the KATS Public Participation Plan received only minor updates. Mr. Olson stated the changes mainly consisted of updating it to be consistent with the FAST Act and that the qualitative and quantitative performance metrics were reviewed and consolidated where they were duplicative.

Dr. Gingerich motioned to approve the Draft Updated Public Participation Plan. Mr. Piggush seconded the motion. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

Greenways and Trails Plan Update

Mr. Mergenthaler gave a presentation on updating the Greenways and Trails Plan. He explained the goals of the 2009 plan and the benefits of having non-motorized amenities. The presentation included a regional map of bike trails in northeast Illinois and a list of non-motorized facilities that were constructed since 2009 when the previous plan was adopted. Mr. Mergenthaler informed everyone that staff were looking to have participation from a couple members of the RPC, but also individuals from the community, too.

2020 KATS Transportation Brochure

Mr. Wilson explained that the brochure part of the KATS Public Participation Plan was to inform the public about KATS. The brochure covered general information about the MPO and included MPO projects and IDOT projects. It also has a page on the Greenways and Trails Plan update.

New Business:

None.

Old Business:

None.

Next Scheduled Meeting:

Chairman Rogers stated the next KATS Technical Advisory Committee meeting was scheduled for October 28, 2020 at 2:30 PM and the KATS Policy Committee meeting was scheduled for October 28, 2020 at 3:00 PM.

Adjournment:

Dr. Gingerich motioned to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Tyson seconded the motion. Unanimous vote. Motion carried. Chairman Rogers adjourned the meeting at 2:49 P.M.