

1 **POLICY COMMITTEE**

2 Kankakee Area Transportation Study (K.A.T.S)

3 Metropolitan Planning Organization (M.P.O)

4 4<sup>th</sup> Floor County Board Room, 189 E. Court Street, Kankakee, IL 60901

5 **MINUTES**

6 **January 25, 2023**

7 **Policy Committee Members Present:**

8 Mayor Nugent – Village of Manteno

9 Mayor Schore– Village of Bourbonnais

10 Mr. Ahmad – IDOT Regional Engineer (by Proxy Mr. Lindenmier)

11 Mayor Curtis – City of Kankakee

12 Mayor Stump – Village of Aroma Park (by Proxy Mr. LaRocque)

13 Mr. Langlois - KVAA

14 Kankakee County Board Chairman - Andrew Wheeler

15 **Others Present:**

16 Mr. Ben Wilson, Mr. Delbert Skimerhorn, Rob Fischer, Michelle Sadler – Kankakee County

17 **Open Meeting:**

18 Chairman Wheeler opened the meeting at 2:59 PM.

19 **Public Comment:**

20 There were no public comments at this meeting.

21 **Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:**

22 The minutes for the October 26, 2022 were unanimously approved by all. A motion was made  
23 by Mayor Curtis, followed by a second motion from Mayor Schore.

24 **FY 2023 Unified Work Program Amendments:**

25 None.

26 **FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program Amendments:**

27 None at this time.

28 **Annual Safety Performance Measure Adoption:**

29 During the Technical Advisory Committee meeting, Ben Wilson presented annual safety  
30 performance measures. He reiterated the presentation for the Policy Committee. Mr. Wilson  
31 displayed 5-year rolling averages of area fatalities, injuries, and other metrics as they compared  
32 to statewide statistics. Highlights included an analysis of total traffic fatalities per 100 million  
33 vehicle miles traveled. Wilson showed the committee a graphic which showed the statewide 5-  
34 year rolling average number was 1.06 fatalities per 100 million vehicle miles traveled. In

35 comparison, the Kankakee Area Transportation Study region had a 1.2 fatalities mark per 100M  
36 VMT. Both the local area and statewide numbers are trending downward, Wilson added. He  
37 added that overall VMT throughout the state has decreased as well.

38 Wilson also mentioned that KATS met their 2021 target, which is a 2% reduction in overall  
39 fatalities and serious accidents with injury. The 2% reduction is a target that is recommended  
40 by IDOT.

41 During the Technical Advisory Committee meeting, motions were made by Timothy Larocque  
42 and Jim Hanley, respectively, to forward the performance measures to the Policy Committee  
43 for adoption. The motion to forward these measures to the Policy Committee was unanimously  
44 approved by the TAC.

45 During the Policy Committee meeting, a motion was then made by Mayor Curtis and seconded  
46 by Mayor Schore to adopt these measures, which passed unanimously.

#### 47 **Transit Performance Measures:**

48 Mr. Wilson addressed the committee regarding the updated Transit Asset Management Plan.  
49 Mr. Wilson's metrics showed that 59% of revenue producing vehicles are at or beyond useful  
50 shelf life, 26% of non-revenue producing vehicles are at or beyond their useful life, and 9% of  
51 the TAM-covered facilities (which includes parking assets and other related categories) are at or  
52 beyond their life expectancy.

53 These metrics were previously presented to the Technical Advisory Committee as well. No  
54 action was taken on the matter at this time.

#### 55 **Agency Updates:**

56 **Kankakee County:** Mr. Wilson told the committee that "funding is strong" with regards to  
57 planning. He told the committee that approximately \$435,000 is anticipated toward planning  
58 and Surface Transportation Block Grant monies should reach an amount just over \$1 million. He  
59 also discussed the upcoming project on 9000N, West of I-57. Wilson told the committee that a  
60 redesign from 5 lanes to 3 is in the works and that if conditions change in the future which  
61 warrant taking 9000N to 5 lanes that "a redesign can be adjusted".

62 **IDOT District 3:** Nick Spence discussed the project list that was previously brought to the  
63 attention of the Technical Advisory Committee, which contained 11 projects. Mr. Spence  
64 anticipated the projects of which I-57 is a major component to have more clarity on start time  
65 "this spring or summer".

66 **IDOT Urban Planning:** Nothing at this time.

67 **Metro:** The committee was advised of a potential spring ribbon cutting for the Chestnut Street  
68 Metro Center, and was also told that the facility is nearly ready for passengers in the next week.

69 **City of Kankakee:** Neil Piggush told the committee that utility relocation work is underway on  
70 Hobbie Avenue. He added that he anticipates roadwork to commence "in April or May".

71 **Kankakee Valley Airport Authority:** Nothing at this time.

72 **Transportation and Development Division Manager:** Nothing at this time.

#### 73 **New Business:**

74 Mr. Wilson told the committee that planning for the updated Long Range Transportation Plan  
75 has begun and requests for proposals will commence in the near future. May of 2025 is the  
76 target date to unveil the new plan.

77 **Old Business:**

78 None to report at this time.

79 **Next Scheduled Meetings:**

80 a.) Wednesday, March 29th, 2023 @ 2:30 PM – Technical Advisory Committee

81 b.) Wednesday, March 29th, 2023 @ 2:45 PM – Policy Committee

82 **Adjournment:**

83 The meeting adjourned at 3:27PM, with a motion made by Mayor. Nugent, and a second by  
84 Mayor Schore.