

1 **POLICY COMMITTEE**

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

3 Metropolitan Planning Organization (M.P.O)

4 4th Floor County Board Room, 189 E. Court Street, Kankakee, IL 60901

5 **MINUTES**

6 **June 28th, 2023**

7 **Policy Committee Members Present:**

8 Mayor Nugent – Village of Manteno

9 Mayor Schore– Village of Bourbonnais

10 Mayor Stump – Village of Aroma Park

11 Mayor Curtis – City of Kankakee

12 Mr. Langlois (via proxy of Mr. Ryan) - KVAA

13 Kankakee County Board Chairman - Andrew Wheeler

14 **Others Present:**

15 Ben Wilson, Delbert Skimerhorn, Rob Fischer, Michelle Sadler – Kankakee County. Also, Neil
16 Piggush.

17 **Open Meeting:**

18 Chairman Wheeler opened the meeting at 2:45 PM.

19 **Public Comment:**

20 There were no public comments at this meeting.

21 **Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:**

22 The minutes for the March 29th, 2023 were unanimously approved by all. A motion was made
23 by Mayor Schore, followed by a second motion from Mayor Stump.

24 **Policy Committee Election of Chair and Vice-Chair for FY 2024:**

25 The board unanimously voted to retain Chairman Wheeler and Vice-Chair Schore for FY 2024.

26 The motion was made by Mayor Nugent and seconded by Mr. Ryan.

27 **Technical Advisory Committee Appointments for FY 2024:**

28 The board members decided to retain their respective representatives for each of their
29 governing bodies.

30 **FY 2023 Unified Work Program Amendments:** None at this time.

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

32 One FY 2023 TIP Amendment was brought forth. River Valley Metro added \$2,500,000 via the
33 Cares Act Capital program for Phase II of their recently opened Kankakee Transfer Centre, as
34 well as \$8,020,000 via Rebuild I Capital funds for their mechanic shop. During the Technical

35 Advisory Committee meeting, a motion was made by Mr. Greer and seconded by Mr. Larocque
36 to forward the amendment to the Policy Committee for approval. The motion carried
37 unanimously. The two items would then be reflected in the FY 2023-2026 TIP. With a primary
38 motion from Mayor Nugent and a second from Mayor Curtis, the Policy Committee adopted the
39 amendment.

40 **Adoption of Draft of FY 2024 – FY 2027 Unified Work Program:**

41 During the Technical Advisory Committee, Mr. Greer and Dr. Gingerich made primary and
42 secondary motions, respectfully, to forward the draft to the Policy Committee for approval. The
43 motion was unanimously approved.

44 The Policy Committee then unanimously approved the document, with a primary motion from
45 Mayor Nugent, and a secondary motion from Mayor Schore.

46 **Agency Updates:**

47 **Kankakee County:** Chairman Wheeler told the committee that progress is being made on the
48 new traffic lights on Armour Road.

49 **IDOT District 3:** A status update on area projects was brought before the committee. Per Mr.
50 Wilson, the I-57 bridge project should see an increase in work being done now that some issues
51 have been resolved.

52 **IDOT Urban Planning:** The FY24 MPO agreement between KATS and IDOT will be completed
53 soon.

54 **Metro:** Nothing at this time.

55 **City of Kankakee:** Neil Piggush told the committee that utility work is nearly complete on
56 Hobbie Avenue. He added that he anticipates roadwork to commence in July or August.

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

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

59 **New Business:**

60 None at this time.

61 **Old Business:**

62 A Census Urbanized Area Discussion came before the committee. Mr. Wilson showed the board
63 a map of the updated Census Urbanized Area. The map showed a gain in territory West of
64 Kankakee, including some portions of Limestone. It also removed a small portion of the area
65 South of Aroma Park. In looking at the map, Mayor Curtis wanted to be sure that the Greater
66 Kankakee Airport and surrounding area were still included in the Municipal Planning Area
67 (MPA), in case of future airport expansion and adjacent development, regardless of the new
68 Census Urbanized Area map. He was assured that the area is indeed in the MPA.

69 **Next Scheduled Meetings:**

70 a.) August 30th, 2023 @ 2:30 PM – Technical Advisory Committee

71 b.) August 30th, 2023 @ 2:45 PM – Policy Committee

72 **Adjournment:**

73 The meeting adjourned at 3:01PM, with a motion made by Mayor Curtis, and a second by
74 Mayor Schore.