

MINUTES
Joint Policy & Technical Advisory Committee Meetings
Stateline Area Transportation Study
Monday, September 21, 2015 at 10:00 A.M
Rotary River Center, 1160 Riverside Drive (U.S.H. 51), Beloit, Wisconsin

A meeting of the Stateline Area Transportation Study's Technical Advisory and Policy Committees was held on Monday, September 21, 2015 at the Rotary River Center, 1160 Riverside Drive. Mike Flesch called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

1. Roll Call

Policy Committee Members Present (7): Adams, Sloniker, Greenlee, Tobin, Jencius, Vanderwerff, Koprowski

Policy Committee Members Absent (3): Sweeney, Rehl, Anclam

Technical Committee Members Present (10): Flesch, McKearn, Boysen, Gavin, Tobin, Adams, Reininger, Vanderwerff, Schreiber, Koprowski

Technical Committee Members Absent (7): Donovan, McComb, Byrnes, Coopman, Hecox, Birkholz, Dornbush

Non-Voting Members Present (2): Delille, Hren.

Others present:

Drew Pennington (City of Beloit), Alex Morganroth (City of Beloit), Celestino Ruffini (Visit Beloit) Rick Barder (Citizen), Carl Lange (Citizen), Jason Dupuis (City of Beloit), T.J. Nee (SLATS/City of Beloit)

2. Citizen Participation.

Rick Barder asked about the completion date of the Big Hill bike project. Celestino Ruffini introduced himself as the Executive Director of Visit Beloit

3. Approval of the minutes of the meeting of July 20, 2015 Joint Policy and Technical Advisory Committee Meetings. Action required by Technical and Policy Committees.

A motion was made to accept the minutes by Adams, second by McKearn, to approve the minutes of the July 20, 2015 meeting. Motion passed.

4. Approval of \$1,900,497 in STP-U funding for the City of Beloit-Prairie Avenue project (Res. 2015-1).

Nee gave a brief overview of STP funding for projects in Wisconsin. Design will be 100% locally funded by City of Beloit. Nee said that the \$1.9 million would be up to 80% of the construction cost with the remainder of the construction costs being locally funded. Flesch said that bicycling needs would be evaluated in design phase. He anticipates the existing 'footprint' of the roadway to remain similar. Greenlee asked about intersection and traffic control options. McKearn asked about the STP timing and future cycles.

A motion was made by McKearn, second by Boysen for the Technical Committee to recommend approval to Policy Committee. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Vanderwerff, second by Sloniker for the Policy Committee to accept the recommendation of the Technical Committee to approve \$1,900,497 in STP-U funding for the City of Beloit-Prairie Avenue project. Motion carried.

5. Approval of the updated SLATS Bylaws (Res. 2015-2).

Nee highlighted a few minor changes to the SLATS Bylaws including: updating the appointments and alternate designation procedures for the Policy Committee, designation of the Technical Advisory Committee members, elections and the addition of the City of Beloit Community Development Department to the Technical Advisory Committee. SLATS did not receive any additional comments.

A motion was made by Reininger, second by Boysen for the Technical Committee to recommend approval to Policy Committee. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Vanderwerff, second by Tobin for the Policy Committee to accept the recommendation of the Technical Committee to approve the updated SLATS Bylaws. Motion carried.

6. Review of the Draft 2016-2019 Transportation Improvement Program.

Nee introduced the 2016-2019 TIP and reviewed each of the projects in the table. An open house for the TIP will take place on September 21 from 4-6 PM. Koprowski will present updates regarding the I39/90 project at future meetings. IL-75 project is on-going with land acquisition. McKearn asked about timing for next round of TAP funding. Rockton Road bike path project is on-going. South Beloit is deciding what to do with the Wheeler Bridge project since the bids came in over budget. Discussion about the Old River Road project occurred. The Village of Rockton and Winnebago County are working on separating the project into phases. Once the phases are agreed upon, the update to the project can be included in the TIP

7. Review of Draft SLATS 2016 Unified Planning Work Program.

Nee gave overview of 2016 UPWP. The 2016 program is very similar to last year and the local funding portion will remain relatively steady. The bulk of the work will be geared toward the Long-Range Transportation Plan update. Some work, including the SMTD Transit Development Plan, and the Parking Needs Assessments will continue into 2016. Discussion regarding the ability to continue work took place with WisDOT. Schreiber was going to check into the need for an amendment to the current work plan.

8. Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Agency Reports and TIP Project Updates.

Flesch called for reports from the voting members.

Tobin: (IDOT District 2) – IL 2 at Roscoe Road is 57% complete. IL 2 over Turtle Creek deck repairs are complete. Hononegah Road deck repairs over IL 2 are almost complete

Adams: (Village of Rockton, Public Works) – all of annual street projects are on hold pending release of MTF funds.

DeLille: (IDOT Bureau of Planning) – IDOT Fall Planning Conference will take place in St. Charles on Oct. 14-16, 2015.

Hren: (RMAP) – 2016 TIP will be presented to committee this month and will begin the process for their FHWA/FTA 4-year certification review in October.

Flesch: Called for reports from the non-voting agencies.
No reports.

9. Scheduling of future meetings of the Policy and Technical Committees.

Nee confirmed that the next meeting will be October 19, 2015 at 10:00 AM.

10. Adjourn

McKearn moved to adjourn, second by Adams. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:44 a.m.

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