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EVANSVILLE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MINUTES

Regular meeting held at 10:00 a.m. in Room 318
Civic Center Complex – Administration Building
Evansville, Indiana

June 4, 2015

The foregoing are minutes and not intended to be a verbatim transcript. An audio version of the proceedings can be heard or viewed on our website at www.evansvillempo.com.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Beth Jones, Lora Lewis, John Petkovsek, Angie Higgins, Brent Schmitt, Nick Hall, Bill Harty, Jason Orange, Melissa Voegel, Gina Boaz

Evansville MPO Staff Present:

Rob Schaefer, Kari Akin, Laura Lamb, Craig Luebke, Pam Drach, Seyed Shokouhzadeh, Erin Schriefer, Vishu Lingala

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vice Chairman Brent Schmitt directed the meeting. Angie Higgins made a motion to approve the minutes and Bill Harty seconded the motion; motion carried.

2. OLD BUSINESS

A. Project Update- presented by Laura Lamb

CITY OF EVANSVILLE

Tekoppel Safe Routes to School - A preconstruction meeting was held May 18, 2015.

VANDERBURGH COUNTY

Green River Rd Widening, Millersburg Rd to Kansas Rd - The project is 92% complete. Traffic has been shifted to the middle lanes to allow the contractor room to complete the sidewalk, the remaining driveway approaches and the grading and sod. The contractor will be requesting a time extension on the contract that will extend the completion date to the end of July, 2015.

Heckel Road Widening, Green River Rd to Oak Hill Rd - Right-of-way staking has begun and property appraisals will begin soon. Revisions to the plan are being done to address comments from the public information meeting.

KYTC

KY 351/Zion Rd - Work is progressing and the project is expected to be complete prior to school opening in August, 2015.

3. NEW BUSINESS

A. 2015 Regional Prioritization of KYTC Unscheduled/Unfunded Projects

Laura Lamb presented the 2015 MPO/Regional prioritizations of the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet's (KYTC's) Unscheduled/Unfunded Projects List (UPL/UNL) for the City of Henderson and Henderson County. To meet the prioritization criteria, the MPO was required to submit an overall rank of the projects and any deviation of the Technical Review ranking was required to have written justification. The City of Henderson and Henderson County joined together in approving the same list of priorities, and since the LPA's jointly agree on the priorities for their area, the MPO's Regional Ranking match directly with the local priorities. This biennial process results in a statewide prioritization of currently unfunded projects from which Kentucky's Six-Year Highway Plan is formulated. (Memo and spreadsheet were included for review.) Nick Hall made a motion to approve the agreement and Billy Harty seconded the motion; motion carried.

B. Evansville MPO and Metropolitan Evansville Transit System Agreement

Rob Schaefer requested approval for the fiscal year 2016 annual transit agreement between the Evansville MPO and METS. The Evansville MPO agrees to perform planning and administrative functions, related to requirements necessary to receive federal funding, for METS in 2016 for a fee of \$12,500. John Petkovsek made a motion to approve the agreement and Bill Harty seconded the motion; motion carried.

C. Evansville MPO and Henderson Area Rapid Transit Agreement

Rob Schaefer requested approval for the fiscal year 2016 annual transit agreement between the Evansville MPO and HART. The Evansville MPO agrees to perform planning and administrative functions, related to requirements necessary to receive federal transit funding, for HART for a fee of \$12,500. Beth Jones made a motion to approve the agreement and Bill Harty seconded the motion; motion carried.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Melissa Voegel of Arc thanked the EMPO for assisting them in purchasing a new vehicle through the FTA Section 5310 grant program.