



## 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

July 12, 2018

The following 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](http://www.evansvillempo.com).

### ROLL CALL

#### Members Present:

Greg Wathen, Khalil Dughaish,Carolynn Pajoum, Angie Higgins, Jeff Whitaker, Rick Wilson, Chris Gentry, Sierra Nunez, Lorie Van Hook, John Petkovsek, Nick Hall, Jason Orange, Doug Joest

#### Evansville MPO Staff Present:

Pam Drach, Erin Schriefer, Matt Schriefer, Laura Lamb, Kari Akin, Xinbo Mi, Lorenzo Marsh

Greg Wathen directed the meeting.

### 1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

*Angie Higgins made a motion for approval and Khalil Dughaish seconded the motion; motion carried.*

### 2. OLD BUSINESS

#### A. Project Update- presented by Pam Drach

#### CITY OF EVANSVILLE

Walnut Street: A property owner kickoff meeting was held on June 26<sup>th</sup> to begin the community-wide, citizen-driven project planning process.

Weinbach Avenue: The project was let for bid on July 11, 2018. No bids were below the engineer's estimate.

Pigeon Creek Greenway Passage – Hi Rail Corridor: The base layers of stone are complete from Riverside Dr to Bellemeade Ave; roughly  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the trail length. Earthwork operations are focused between Bellemeade Ave and Lincoln

Ave. New cross culvert installations are complete. The slip-formed concrete edging is complete from Riverside Dr to Washington Ave; approximately ½ of the trail length. Fifty-two of 61 light pole foundations are installed.

## **VANDERBURGH COUNTY**

Columbia-Delaware Bridge: The Commissioners approved the right-of-way purchase amounts for the two parcels on May 29, 2018. The DNR permit was approved on July 5, 2018.

## **INDOT**

SR 61 Connector (Boonville Bypass) – Phase 2: Paving activities should begin in the next week.

SR 66 and Casey Rd: Construction activities are underway.

*This item was informational and did not require a committee action.*

## **3. NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. FY 2018-2021 TIP Amendment – presented by Pam Drach**

The Evansville MPO publicized a public review and comment period from June 26<sup>th</sup> to July 11<sup>th</sup> for the following TIP amendment requested by the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC):

ID# 02-382: CS-1372: Improve safety and congestion on Watson Lane from Green River Rd to Sunset Ln. Add project for Preliminary Engineering (PE) in FY 2019, Right-of-Way (RW) in FY 2020 and Utilities (UT) in FY 2021. PE costs of \$400,000, RW costs of \$1,400,000 and UT costs of \$1,400,000 will be funded with State Construction High Priority Project (SPP) funding. Construction cost to complete outside the TIP period is \$5,000,000.

*John Petkovsek made a motion for approval and Angie Higgins seconded the motion; motion carried.*

## **4. OTHER BUSINESS**

*Greg Wathen introduced and welcomed Lorenzo Marsh. Lorenzo is the new Transportation Technician for the Evansville MPO.*

## **5. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

*Pam Drach reminded everyone that the Evansville MPO is hosting the 2018 Indiana MPO Conference from September 25<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> at the DoubleTree by Hilton in Downtown Evansville. Information and registration details can be found online at [www.impoconf2018.com](http://www.impoconf2018.com).*

Meeting adjourned.