



MPO Technical Committee

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, February 17, 2022
127 N Wyman St, Rockford, IL 61101

1. Call to Order

With a quorum present, the meeting was called to order by Ms. Turner at 10:00 am.

2. Roll Call

Members Present: Boone County Highway Department; Boone County, Planning Department; City of Loves Park, Public Works department; City of Rockford, Community Development Department; City of Rockford, Public Works Department; Illinois Department of Transportation, District 2; Rockford Mass Transit District; Village of Machesney Park, Community Development Department; Village of Roscoe; Winnebago County Highway Department; Winnebago County Planning & Economic Development Department; Winnebago County Soil & Water Conservation District.

Members Absent: Boone County Conservation District; Chicago/Rockford International Airport; City of Belvidere, Planning department; City of Belvidere, Public Works Department; City of Loves Park, Community Development Department; Forest Preserves of Winnebago County; Four Rivers Sanitary District; Village of Machesney Park, Public Works Department; Village of Winnebago.

Others Present: Brandon Geber, Illinois Department of Transportation, Division of Urban Planning and Programming; Henry Guerriero, Illinois Tollway; Sydney Turner, Gilton Cross, Melisa Ribikawskis, and Brandon Rucker, Region 1 Planning Council.

3. Public Comment

There were none present who wished to address the committee.

4. Discussion: Regional Asset Condition Rating System

Ms. Turner stated that over the past several weeks she has been coordinating with MPO Technical Committee members. One of the items regularly discussed has been a desire to develop a regional asset condition rating system. After a follow-up with IDOT, she learned that they started collecting pavement condition data for collector level and above in 2021. They plan to perform data collection on a two-year cycle and District 2 was included in the first year.

Ms. Turner led a discussion on the current practices of the asset condition rating within the region.

5. Action Items:

5.1. Approval of the Meeting Minutes of November 18, 2021

Ms. Turner entertains a motion to approve the November 18, 2021 Technical Committee minutes.

Motion by Mr. Bates, Illinois Department of Transportation, District 2, seconded by Mr. Messinger, City of Loves Park, Public Works Department, to approve the November 18, 2021 Meeting Minutes.

Ms. Hughes requested an update to a salutation in the meetings.

Motion **approved** by unanimous voice vote with amendment.

5.2. Adoption of the 2022 Safety Performance Measure Targets (Resolution 2022-01)

Ms. Turner entertains a motion to approve Resolution 2022-01, for the adoption of the state's 2% annual reduction for the safety performance measure targets.

Motion by Mr. Belle, City of Rockford, Community Development Department, seconded by Mr. Molina, Winnebago County Highway Department, to recommend MPO Resolution 2022-01.

Motion **approved** by unanimous voice vote with amendment.

5.3. Amendment to the FY 2022-2025 Transportation Improvement Project (Resolution 2022-02)

Ms. Turner stated that MPO Resolution 2021-20 for an amendment to the FY 2022-2025 TIP at the request of Illinois Department of Transportation, City of Rockford, and Ogle County for the addition of the following projects:

- The City of Rockford requested the following amendments:
 - #3-22-15: 9th Street Reconstruction, Sandy Hollow Road to Brooke Road
- City of Belvidere has requested the following amendments:
 - #14-21-3: Appleton Road, US 20 Eastbound Ramps to Kishwaukee River Bridge
- Winnebago County has requested the following amendment:
 - #2-21-1: Riverside Boulevard, from Material Ave to Renn Hart Hills Road/Sage Road
 - #2-18-5: Gleason Road from Rockton Ave to Riverview Road.

Ms. Turner asked for a recommendation from the MPO Technical Committee.

Motion by Mr. Krohn, Boone County Highway Department, seconded by Mr. Molina, Winnebago County Highway Department to **recommend** the adoption of the FY 2022-2025 TIP MPO Resolution 2022-02.

Motion **approved** by unanimous voice vote.

6. Staff Reports

6.1. Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) – Call for Projects

Ms. Turner reported that per the recommendation of the MPO Technical Committee and concurrence of the Policy Committee, the MPO is conducting a Call for Projects for the FY 2022 Surface Transportation Block Grant Funds allocated to the region. The Call for Project will be open from February 17 to March 18, 2022. The application form for projects will be available on the R1 Planning website. The available funding for award is \$3,199,098.40. MPO staff requests agency to review the current program of projects and inform us of any projects that need to be removed from the listing. The program of projects will be presented to the Technical Committee for recommendation to the Policy Committee at the April meeting. Beginning this fall, the MPO will be starting an annual Call for Projects for STBG funding. This fall will be for the FY 2023 allocation.

6.2. FY 2022-2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) – Advance Construction Notice

The MPO has received advance construction notices for

- #1-22-14: IL 2 & IL 72, Mill Creek at the W Edge of Byron & Rock River at the E Edge of Byron

The following projects are being moved from advanced construction to current status.

- #1-17-2: IL 251, Railroad 0.1 mi S of IL 72

7. Agency Reports

7.1. Boone County Conservation District

Not present.

7.2. Boone County Highway Department

No report.

7.3. Boone County, Planning Department

No report.

7.4. Chicago/Rockford International Airport

Not present.

7.5. City of Belvidere, Planning Department

Not present.

7.6. City of Belvidere, Public Works Department

Not present.

7.7. City of Loves Park, Community Development Department

Not present.

7.8. City of Loves Park, Public Works Department

No report.

7.9. City of Rockford, Community Development Department

No report.

7.10. City of Rockford, Public Works Department

No report.

7.11. Forest Preserves of Winnebago County

Not present.

7.12. Four Rivers Sanitary District

Not present.

7.13. Illinois of Transportation, District 2

No report.

7.14. Rockford Mass Transit District

Ms. Hughes reported that the district has received five hybrid electric buses that will be in service shortly.

Additionally, the District will receive 6 battery electric buses in August 2022.

7.15. Rockford Park District

No report.

7.16. Village of Machesney Park, Community Development Department

No report.

7.17. Village of Machesney Park, Public Works Department

Not present.

7.18. Village of Roscoe

No report.

7.19. Village of Winnebago

Not present.

7.20. Winnebago County Highway Department

Mr. Molina reported that the County is trying to make progress on the Perryville Path extension. The IL-173 portion of the project was let last year, but has been delayed due to IEPA approvals and they are working with IDOT on the realignment. The County also has several resurfacing projects, including Charles Street and Latham Road.

7.21. Winnebago County Planning & Econ Development Department

No report.

7.22. Winnebago County Soil & Water Conservation District

No report.

7.23. IDOT, Division of Urban Program Planning

Mr. Geber reported that IDOT is beginning to update the Statewide Multimodal, Freight, and Long-Range Transportation Plans. He also reported that the State Planning and Research (SPR) Grant Call for Projects will be released in the next couple of weeks. He also suggested that locals and the MPO jointly pursue strategic planning for the Federal discretionary grant programs under IIJA.

7.24. Illinois Tollway

No Report.

8. Other Business

No other business was discussed.

9. Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Molina, Winnebago County Highway Department, seconded by Mr. Carter, City of Rockford Public Works Department, to **adjourn** at 10:43 am.

Motion **approved** unanimously by unanimous voice vote.

Meeting Minutes prepared by: Sydney Turner

Minutes approved by action of the Board: April 21, 2022.