



MPO Policy Committee

Meeting Minutes

Friday, April 30, 2021

Region 1 Planning Council, 127 N Wyman St. Rockford, IL 61101

1) Call to Order, Roll Call, and Representation

With a quorum present, the meeting was called to order by Mayor Jury, City of Loves Park, at 8:32 am.

Members Present: Boone County; City of Loves Park; City of Rockford; Village of Machesney Park; Winnebago County; Rockford Mass Transit District; Illinois Department of Transportation, District 2.

Members Absent: City of Belvidere.

Others Present: Doug DeLille, IDOT, Bureau of Planning and Programming; John Donovan, Federal Highway Administration, Illinois Division; Justin Krohn, Boone County; Carlos Molina, Winnebago County; Michael Stubbe, Rockford Mass Transit District; Michael Dunn Jr, Matt Miller, Kara Harmet, Chuck Klutho, Melisa Ribikawskis, Alex Rosander, Kaylin Janicke, Region 1 Planning Council.

Chairman Johnson, Boone County joined at 8:34 am and began running the meeting.

2) Public Comment

There were none present who wished to address the committee.

3) Approval of the March 18, 2021 MPO Policy Committee Meeting Minutes

Chairman Johnson entertains a motion to approve the March 18, 2021 MPO Policy Committee minutes.

Motion by Mayor Johnson, Village of Machesney Park, seconded by Chairman Chiarelli, Winnebago County, to **approve** the March 18, 2021 meeting minutes of the MPO Policy Committee.

Motion **approved** by unanimous voice vote.

4) MPO FY 2021 – FY 2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment – MPO Resolution 2021-07

Mr. Dunn provided a brief update regarding MPO Resolution 2021-07 amending the FY 2021 – 2024 TIP at the request of Illinois Department of Transportation, District 2.

- #1-17-2: IL 251, Railroad 0.1 mi S of IL 72 (Cost update)
- #1-17-4: IL 2, 0.1 mi N of Luther Dr to 0.1 mi S of Beltline Rd (Move to FY 2022 and cost update)
- #13-21-7: Centerville Rd, IL 173 to Stimes Rd (New project)
- #13-21-8: Irene Rd, US 20 to Beverly Materials, LLC. Quarry (New project)
- #13-21-9: Poplar Grove Rd, City of Belvidere to Village of Poplar Grove (New project)
- #7-19-4: New Discretionary Grant Application, Replacement of Electric Buses (New project)
- #19-12: New Discretionary Grant Application, charging stations for electric buses with associated design and build facilities upgrades (New project)

Chairman Johnson entertained a motion to approve MPO Resolution 2021-07 to the MPO Policy Committee.

Motion by Mayor McNamara, City of Rockford, seconded by Mayor Johnson, Village of Machesney Park, to **approve** MPO Resolution 2021-07.

Motion **approved** by unanimous voice vote.

5) 2021 Greenways: A Greenways Plan for Boone, Ogle, And Winnebago Counties – MPO Resolution 2021-08

Mr. Dunn provided a brief update regarding the final draft of the *2021 Greenways: A Greenways Plan for Boone, Ogle, and Winnebago Counties*.

Chairman Johnson entertained a motion to approve MPO Resolution 2021-08 to the MPO Policy Committee.

Motion by Mayor McNamara, City of Rockford, seconded by Chairman Chiarelli, Winnebago County, to **approve** MPO Resolution 2021-08.

Motion **approved** by unanimous voice vote.

6) Electric Vehicle Readiness Plan for The Rockford Region – MPO Resolution 2021-09

Mr. Dunn provided a brief update regarding the final draft of the *Electric Vehicle Readiness Plan for the Rockford Region*. Mayor McNamara thanked the staff for their work on the plan.

Chairman Johnson entertained a motion to approve MPO Resolution 2021-09 to the MPO Policy Committee.

Motion by Mayor Johnson, Village of Machesney Park, seconded by Mayor McNamara, City of Rockford, to **approve** MPO Resolution 2021-09.

Motion **approved** by unanimous voice vote.

7) Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program of Projects – MPO Resolution 2021-10

Mr. Dunn provided a brief update regarding the STBG applicant project evaluation process and the resulting priority list. A competitive call for projects was held from January 21, 2021 to February 22, 2021. Mr. Dunn asked the MPO Policy Committee for its decisions on the annual funding of projects. There was a brief discussion regarding staff's recommendation on big and small project selection. Mayor McNamara discussed the scoring criteria.

Motion by Mayor McNamara, City of Rockford, to **approve** MPO Resolution 2021-10 and provide \$5 million to Winnebago County's Riverside Boulevard project and the remaining \$4 million to City of Rockford's 9th Street project. No second, motion **failed**.

There was another discussion on project scoring, selection, and readiness between Mayor McNamara, Mayor Jury, Chairman Johnson, and Mr. Dunn.

Motion by Mayor Jury, City of Loves Park, to **approve** MPO Resolution 2021-10 and provide the available funding through FY 2021 based on staff recommendation to the highest scoring large and small projects, at a ratio of 80 percent of the available funds to Winnebago County's Riverside Boulevard project and 20 percent of the available funds to City of Belvidere's Appleton Road project; seconded by Mayor Johnson, Village of Machesney Park.

Motion **approved** by unanimous voice vote.

8) Other Business

Mr. Dunn provided a brief report on the following administrative modifications that were made to the FY2021 – FY2024 Transportation Improvement Program:

- Projects or a portion of these projects have been authorized for Advanced Construction:
 - #1-17-4: IL-2 - 0.1 miles north of Luther Dr to 0.1 mi south of Beltline Rd
 - #1-20-13: IL-251 – 0.3 mi N of Auburn St/Spring Creek Rd
 - #2-17-1: Perryville Road Bike Path - Hart Rd to IL-173

9) Adjournment

Mayor Jury entertained a motion to adjourn. **Motion** by Mayor McNamara, City of Rockford, seconded by Mayor Johnson, Village of Machesney Park, to **adjourn** at 9:15 am.

Motion **approved** by unanimous voice vote.

Prepared by Kaylin Janicke.

Minutes approved by action of the Committee: June 25, 2021.

