



RMAP POLICY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES / Thursday, January 25, 2018
(Regional Design Center – 315 N. Main Street, Rockford)

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Mike Chamberlain, City of Belvidere; Mayor Tom McNamara, City of Rockford; Chairman Frank Haney, Winnebago County; Mayor Steve Johnson, Village of Machesney Park; Mayor Greg Jury, City of Loves Park; Mr. Ken Terrinoni, Boone County; Mr. Steve Ernst, Mr. Michael Stubbe, RMTD; Mr. Rob Bates, IDOT District #2.

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: All present.

OTHERS PRESENT: Mike Dunn, Christina Washington, Jon Paul Diipla, Anna Ma, Sydney Turner, Colin Belle, RMAP; Joe Vanderwerff, Winnebago County Highway; Doug DeLille, IDOT Urban Program Planning; J. Hanely, RRWRD.

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND REPRESENTATION: Meeting was called to order by Mayor Chamberlain with a quorum present at 1:16 PM.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT:
None.

3. APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 14, 2017 RMAP POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES:
Motion to approve the December 14, 2017 RMAP Policy Committee meeting minutes was made by the Village of Machesney Park; seconded by the City of Loves Park. Motion carried unanimously (8-0).

4. RE-ORGANIZATION OF OFFICERS:
Mayor Chamberlain stated that during discussions with Chairman Haney they both feel it would be inappropriate for them to continue as the RMAP Chairman and Vice-Chairman when they have both accepted rolls as RIPC Board Chair and Vice-Chair and opened the floor to any nominations for Chairman of the RMAP Policy Committee. Chairman Haney made a motion to nominate Mayor Greg Jury, City of Loves Park as Chairman of RMAP Policy Committee; seconded by the Mayor McNamara, City of Rockford. Voice roll call, 8-Yays, 0-Nays. Motion carries unanimously.
Mayor Chamberlain made a motion to nominate Chairman Karl Johnson, Boone County as RMAP Vice-Chair; seconded by Mayor McNamara, City of Rockford. Voice roll call, 8-Yays, 0-Nays. Motion carries unanimously. Mayor Chamberlain stated that going forward, the MPO Director, Mr. Jon Paul Diipla will conduct the RMAP Policy Committee meetings along with Mayor Jury, City of Loves Park.

5. MPO PERFORMANCE MEASURES (SAFETY PERFORMANCE TARGETS) – RMAP RESOLUTION #2018-1:

Mr. Diipla stated that MPO Performance Measures are federally required as defined in the FAST-Act. Safety performance measure targets must be established by the MPO no later than February 27, 2018. Additional performance measure targets must be established by November-2018. The MPO is required to either develop their own targets or support IDOT's performance measures. RMAP would like to support IDOT's performance measures and asked the RMAP Policy Committee for its approval.

A motion to approve RMAP Resolution #2018-1 was made by the City of Rockford; second motion was made by the City of Loves Park. Motion carried unanimously (8-0).

6. RMAP FY2018-FY2021 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) – RMAP RESOLUTION #2018-2:

Mr. Diipla provided a brief summary regarding the TIP Amendments from the following members:

- IDOT District #2 / four (4) projects which are Project #1-16-10 IL-251 (Winnebago County line to 0.3 miles North of Flagg Road) resurfacing project; Project 1-16-11 IL-251 (Winnebago County line to 0.3 miles North of Flagg Road) safety project; Project #1-18-13 I-39 (SN 071-0045 carrying McNeal Road over I-39) bridge project; Project #1-18-14 I-39 (SN 101-0144 carrying Rotary Road over I-39) bridge project.
- IDOT District #2 / Project #1-18-6 US20 Bus/E. State Street (Bell School Road to I-90 exit ramp westbound) reconstruction CMP project. This additional request came from IDOT District #2 after the RMAP Technical Committee meeting on January 18, 2018.
- Winnebago County Highway Department / Project 2-18-5 Gleasman Road (0.5 miles east of Rockton Avenue to 0.11 miles east of Riverview) bridge project.
- Boone County Highway Department / Project #13-14-1 Manchester Road resurfacing (Winnebago County line to Wisconsin state line) rehabilitation project.

A motion to approve RMAP Resolution #2018-2 was made by the City of Rockford; second motion was made by the City of Loves Park. Motion carried unanimously (8-0).

7. REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM FUNDING:

Mr. Dunn provided a brief summary regarding ITEP funding. Mr. Dunn stated that RMAP has been guided by the State of Illinois that project selection should occur when they're done reviewing their own grant application process for alternative transportation projects (ITEP). Mr. Dunn stated that currently RMAP's balance for ITEP funding is 900K over the next three (3) years (2015-2018). RMAP has set up a similar process for STP-U funding; where RMAP reviews a list of projects submitted by all of member's jurisdictions and prioritize them by quantitative and qualitative scoring process that has been approved previously. Question before Policy members is would they like embark on that same process for TAP projects or do we want to piggy back and wait to see what's awarded by the State or do we want to structure project selections as we did we STP-U or do we want to concentrate on one project.

A brief discussion took place among members regarding the STP-U funding process and possible scenarios. There was a consensus among members for RMAP staff to work with each member's technical staff to establish a criteria and a list of projects for Policy Committee members to review in July-2018.

8. PROGRESS REPORTS:

LIMEBIKE

Mr. Dunn provided a status on the Limebike project and outlined what the next steps are for implementation. Mr. Dunn asked that each municipality that wants to participate to review the legalities of the Limebike project. Our hope is that every jurisdiction settles on a uniformed service agreement with this operator so that there is consistency across jurisdiction lines. Mr. Dunn stated that there is a short term (3 years) agreement in which Limebike asks for exclusivity; that the governments don't enter into a separate operating contract with another bike share operator. The benefit of Limebike is that there is no government subsidy or revenue guarantee required by anyone. Ms. Sydney Turner is working directly with Limebike would like to quickly turn around the legal review of this agreement and if there are any questions, please feel free to reach out to Ms. Turner.

STATE RAIL PLAN

Mr. Dunn stated that he has spoken to a few state delegation and other MPO's regarding the State's recently published State Rail Plan and certain people have asked the RMAP MPO to provide feedback on the State's Rail Plan. Mr. Dunn asked if the Policy member organizations would like to provide feedback and have the MPO provide a collective input, the MPO can put something together.

INFRASTRUCTURE BILL

Mr. Dunn reference the potential Federal Infrastructure Bill he circulated earlier and stated that if there were any questions to please contact him to discuss further.

ADMINISTRATION UPDATE

RIPC is looking to hire on the MPO side a Transit Planner and is currently waiting for a response from the final candidate. The MPO is also looking to hire a Transportation Planner.

2018 RMAP POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE

Mr. Dunn stated that today's meeting is the last RMAP Policy Committee meeting before it is aligned with the RIPC Board meetings which will begin in February-2018 and will be bi-monthly meetings instead of monthly.

STP-U

Mr. Dunn stated that the RMAP MPO receives an apportionment of transportation funding from the federal government every December and the MPO currently has a 300K balance of STP-U /STBG funds. Those dollars continue to go to the Harrison Ave project in the City of Rockford. Once the Harrison Ave project is closed; the MPO will start saving for future projects.

ADMINISTRATIVE MODIFICATION

Mr. Diipla provided the following Administrative Modifications:

- Village of Machesney Park Project #5-17-3 Signal location at the intersection of Bauer Pkwy and Victory Lane for a safety improvement.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN OPEN HOUSE

Mr. Diippla stated that RMAP (MPO) will be holding open houses the week of February 5th regarding the RMAP Public Participation Plan document which is a federal required document that identifies the methods and strategies taken by the MPO to engage the public in transportation planning.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Ernst introduced the RMTD Executive Director Michael Stubbe.

Mr. DeLille stated that the State has released the State Freight Plan.

Mr. DeLille stated that IDOT will be releasing a freight call for projects statewide but the criteria are still being established.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

As there was no further business, City of Loves park made a motion to adjourn, seconded by the City of Rockford. Approved unanimously (8-0). The meeting was adjourned at 1:35 PM.