

MEETING NOTES: RPA 1 Transportation Technical Committee
 Tuesday, May 9, 2013, 11:30 a.m.
 Upper Explorerland RPC, Postville

Committee members in attendance: Nick Rissman, Howard County; Lee Bjerke, Winneshiek County; JD King, Fayette County; Brian Ridenour, Allamakee County; Rafe Koopman, Clayton County; Tom Stewart, City of Oelwein

Others in attendance: Rod Marlatt, Fayette County Conservation; Jan McGovern, Howard County; Don Arendt, City of Decorah; Karla Organist, UERPC

1. Meeting called to order at 11:35 a.m.
2. Motion to approve the March 12, 2013 minutes was made by Bjerke, seconded by Koopman, approved unanimously
3. Updates to 2013 TIP Projects – many were received in advance of the meeting, King provided updates today. Engineers will plan to have their information programmed into TPMS by the end of the month so that Karla can download for the Draft TIP.
4. Review and discussion of the Enhancement Committee’s TAP project recommendations:

Enhancement Committee’s First Choice – funding top 4 projects, requesting \$140,000 in FLEX funds over FFY 16-17:

FFY 2014	BALANCE:	<u>\$214,524</u>	Carry over (includes \$64,000 returned from Postville)
	Allocation:	\$115,596	Target
	FLEX:	\$17,607	20%
	Previously Programmed Projects:	(\$170,000)	Fayette/Clayton TRRC (project of 234,000)
	New Projects:	(\$60,000)	UIU/City of Fayette & UERPC SRTS Liaison
FFY 2015	BALANCE:	<u>\$117,727</u>	Carry over
	Allocation:	\$117,000	Target
	FLEX:	\$18,000	20%
	Previously Programmed Projects:	(\$152,000)	Howard Wapsi
FFY 2016	BALANCE:	<u>\$100,727</u>	Carry over
	Allocation:	\$117,000	Target
	FLEX:	\$60,000	Request from total \$90,000
	Previously Programmed Projects:	(\$191,000)	Winneshiek TRT
FFY 2017	BALANCE:	<u>\$86,727</u>	Carry over
	Allocation:	\$117,000	Target
	FLEX:	\$80,000	Request from total \$90,000
	New Projects:	(\$232,000)	Winneshiek County Cons & City of Waukon
	BALANCE:	\$51,727	

Enhancement Committee's Second Choice – funding top 3 projects, requesting \$76,000 in FLEX funds over FFY 16-17:

FFY 2014	BALANCE:	<u>\$214,524</u>	Carry over (includes \$64,000 returned from Postville)
	Allocation:	\$115,596	Target
	FLEX:	\$17,607	20%
Previously Programmed Projects:		(\$170,000)	Fayette/Clayton TRRC (project of 234,000)
New Projects:		(\$60,000)	UIU/City of Fayette & UERPC SRTS Liaison
FFY 2015	BALANCE:	<u>\$117,727</u>	Carry over
	Allocation:	\$117,000	Target
	FLEX:	\$18,000	20%
Previously Programmed Projects:		(\$152,000)	Howard Wapsi
FFY 2016	BALANCE:	<u>\$100,727</u>	Carry over
	Allocation:	\$117,000	Target
FLEX:		\$38,000	Request from total \$90,000
Previously Programmed Projects:		(\$191,000)	Winneshiek TRT
FFY 2017	BALANCE:	<u>\$64,727</u>	Carry over
	Allocation:	\$117,000	Target
FLEX:		\$38,000	Request from total \$90,000
New Projects:		(\$117,000)	Winneshiek County Conservation
	BALANCE:	\$102,727	

Enhancement Committee's Third Choice – funding top 3 projects and requesting 20% from FLEX in each year (16 and 17):

FFY 2014	BALANCE:	<u>\$214,524</u>	Carry over (includes \$64,000 returned from Postville)
	Allocation:	\$115,596	Target
	FLEX:	\$17,607	20%
Previously Programmed Projects:		(\$170,000)	Fayette/Clayton TRRC (project of 234,000)
New Projects:		(\$60,000)	UIU/City of Fayette & UERPC SRTS Liaison
FFY 2015	BALANCE:	<u>\$117,727</u>	Carry over
	Allocation:	\$117,000	Target
	FLEX:	\$18,000	20%
Previously Programmed Projects:		(\$152,000)	Howard Wapsi
FFY 2016	BALANCE:	<u>\$100,727</u>	Carry over
	Allocation:	\$117,000	Target
FLEX:		\$18,000	20%
Previously Programmed Projects:		(\$191,000)	Winneshiek TRT
FFY 2017	BALANCE:	<u>\$44,727</u>	Carry over
	Allocation:	\$117,000	Target
FLEX:		\$18,000	20%
New Projects:		(\$117,000)	Winneshiek County Conservation
	BALANCE:	\$62,727	

After some discussion, the committee determined the choice to be between the Enhancement Committee's first and third choices. A motion was made by Bjerke to recommend the Enhancement Committee's first choice of funding four projects, King seconded the motion. Only one aye (Bjerke) and the motion failed. A motion was then made by Koopman to recommend the Enhancement Committee's

third choice, seconded by King, all ayes, motion was approved. This option is to be presented to the Policy Board as the Tech Committee's first choice.

5. DOT Updates were sent by Rostad via email:

- To comply with Title VI and other non-discrimination laws, the Iowa DOT has contracted with CTS LanguageLink which can be used by all state, county, city and eligible nonprofits – just need to create and account. (Karla can forward information on this if interested)
- IA 24, Fort to Calmar resurfacing is underway. After pavement scarification, base will be widened before resurfacing – will have 2 foot paved shoulders w/ milled rumble strips.
- IA 9 Lansing Bridge painting to be underway this summer
- IA 3, PCC overlay project, Bremer County line to 2 mi. north of Oelwein is in the May letting.
- The Iowa Legislature looks to be funding the following:
 - State Rec Trail \$3 Million
 - Public Transit Vertical Infrastructure: \$1.5 Million
 - Commercial Aviation Vertical Infrastructure \$1.5 Million
 - General Aviation Vertical Infrastructure \$750,000
 - Railroad Revolving Loan and Grant program: \$3 Million

King also added:

- Hwy 18, West Union to Postville, slurry/seal work has been let
- Hwy 52, Postville to Calmar, slurry/seal work is in the May letting
- Hwy 76, somewhere in Allamakee county, slurry/seal work also let
- IA 93, Sumner to Fayette, to be part of a research project for surfacing

6. There will be a DOT Commission meeting in October, engineers discussed possible reasons to be on the agenda. Will discuss further at a later date.

7. TIGER Applications – Winneshiek County may submit again for a section of the previously submitted application – Freeport Trail and River Road. Haven't decided for sure yet.

8. Planning Update:

- Final TPWP due June 1 – Brian noted an error in the Tech Committee listing of the chair indicator
- TIP Draft due June 15, final due July 15
- LRTP – Karla is working on sections now that just involve research (demographics and inventories). Will send to DOT as completed for feedback. Will work with committees in July and August to finalize goals and objectives, Sept/Oct/Nov for public input, stakeholder review and comments, Dec/Jan for rewrites, board adoption and DOT approval.

9. Floor items:

- Lee shared his thoughts about where the legislature was on the gas tax – he is not optimistic

10. Next meeting will be held prior to the next Policy Board meeting as needed. Meeting adjourned at 12:25 p.m.