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**MEETING MINUTES: RPA 1 Transportation Policy Board  
Friday, January 9, 2015, 11:00 a.m. – Fayette County Economic Development Office,  
101 N. Vine Street, West Union, IA**

Board members in attendance: Jan McGovern, Howard County; Don Arendt, City of Decorah; Larry Schellhammer, Allamakee County; Vicki Rowland, Fayette County; Larry Gibbs, Clayton County; Dean Thompson, Winneshiek County; Peggy Sherrets, City of Oelwein

Others in attendance: Mary Willett and Russell Loven, City of Guttenberg; Ted Malget, City of Oelwein; Nick Rissman, Howard County; Brian Ridenour, Allamakee County; Karla Organist, UERPC

1. Meeting was called to order at 11:20 a.m. Introductions followed. Dean Thompson has been appointed to the Policy Board for Winneshiek County.
2. A motion to approve the agenda was made and approved unanimously
3. A motion to approve the 10-30-14 minutes was made by Rowland, seconded by Sherrets, approved unanimously.
4. Election of Officers: A nomination was made to maintain the current slate of officers (Chair, Larry Schellhammer; Vice Chair, Larry Gibbs; Secretary, Vicki Rowland). Motion was made by Gibbs, seconded by Sherrets that nominations cease, all approved. A motion was made by McGovern, seconded by Thompson to re-elect the current slate of officers, approved unanimously
5. Motion to open the Public Hearing to review the proposed 2015 TIP amendments was made by Sherrets and seconded by Thompson at 11:29 a.m. Motion approved unanimously
6. Public hearing was held to discuss the following proposed 2015 Transportation Improvement Program amendments:
  - Winneshiek County: The DOT requests to ADD a project on US52, from IA9 north 4.5 miles. NHSX-052-5(31)--3H-96
  - Howard County: Howard County Conservation requests a CHANGE to two DEMO projects on the Wapsi Great Western Trail. Increase the DEMO funds on STP-E-C045(50)--8V-45 for ROW acquisitions and combine remaining DEMO funds under EDP-C045(065)--7Y-45 for construction
  - Clayton County: The City of Guttenberg requests to ADD a bridge replacement project on Garber Rd. over Miner's Creek. BRM-3167(604)--8N-22
  - Winneshiek County: Winneshiek County Road Department requests a CHANGE in funding amounts on two bridge projects. BROS-C096(126)--8J-96 on State Line Rd. over creek and BROS-C096(123)--8J-96 on 288th Ave, over Coldwater Creek

Project sponsors described their projects and answered any board member questions. Hearing no public comment, and having received no written or electronic public comments, a motion to close the public hearing was made by Sherrets, seconded by Thompson, and was approved unanimously. Public hearing was closed at 11:34 a.m.

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7. A motion to approve the 2015 TIP amendments as presented was made by McGovern, seconded by Rowland. Motion approved unanimously
  8. Floor Items:
    - Organist reported on new committee members recently appointed to the Transportation Enhancement Committee: Sheryl Struthers to replace Robin Bostrom for Fayette County and Harlan Satrom to replace Randy Uhl for Winneshiek County. Gibbs reported that they will be appointing someone to replace Tim Engelhardt for Clayton County. Organist will send out a new committee list with the minutes.
    - An update on the administrative modifications that have taken place since the last meeting was provided by Organist. They included two related trail projects – one sponsored by Decorah (culvert project under Hwy 52 that will connect the Trout Run Trail to the proposed Dry Run Trail) and one sponsored by Winneshiek County Conservation (ROW acquisition for the Dry Run Trail west of Hwy 52 and south of Hwy 9). In both cases, only a portion of the project was authorized in a previous year, so the DOT requested a change to the federal aid amount to reflect the amount remaining to be authorized. The change was less than the 30% of federal aid, so they were eligible for administrative modifications.
  9. Transportation Day on the Hill will be held on January 28th. Organist is planning on attending and can reserve the UERPC van if anyone wishes to ride along.
  10. Hearing no more items from board members, committee members were reminded of the next meeting date, previously set for March 26<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. in Postville. (Enhancement will be scheduled for 8:30 a.m. and Tech Committee will meet at 10:30 a.m.)
  11. A motion was made by Gibbs, seconded by Sherrets to adjourn. Meeting was adjourned at 12:45 p.m.