

MEETING MINUTES: RPA 1 Transportation Policy Board  
Tuesday, December 1, 2015, 10:30 a.m. - Upper Explorerland RPC, Postville

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

Others in attendance: Nick Rissman, Howard County; Brian Ridenour, Allamakee County; Mark Bolsinger (for Rafe Koopman), Clayton County; Joel Fantz, Fayette County; Lee Bjerke, Winneshiek County; Denise Schneider, Chad Schroyer, Jim Downey & Lanny Kuehl, City of Garnavillo; Adam Mueller & John Krayner, MSA Professional Services; Casey Mai & Karla Organist, UERPC

1. Meeting was called to order at 10:35 a.m. by Schellhammer
2. A motion to approve the agenda was made by Rowland, seconded by Gibbs, approved unanimously
3. A motion to approve the 10-20-15 minutes was made by Thompson, seconded by McGovern, approved unanimously.
4. A motion to open the Public Hearing to review and receive comment on the proposed amendment to the FFY 2016 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) was made by Thompson and seconded by Arendt at 11:36 a.m. Motion approved unanimously
5. Public hearing was held to discuss the proposed FFY2016 TIP amendment:
  - Proposal from the City of Garnavillo to **INCREASE** the remaining total cost of the Van Buren Street project from \$461,000 to \$759,000 and Regional FA from \$360,000 to \$608,000. This request is due to an **INCREASE** in the total project costs from \$512,000 to \$810,000. Project costs of \$51k (\$40k Regional FA) were previously authorized in FFY15. STP-U-2835(601)--70-22 (TPMS 22097)

The City's engineers (MSA Professional Services) explained the project elements and why the proposed increase was being requested. The Tech committee discussion was relayed to the Policy Board. It was noted that consensus was reached between the committee and the city representatives that the length of the road resurfacing project should be maintained and that the additional storm sewer work and some curb and sidewalk work could be removed from the proposed project. The Policy Board asked clarifying questions and heard all comments.

Hearing no additional public comment, nor having received any in person, by mail or email, a motion to close the public hearing was made by Rowland, seconded by McGovern, and was approved unanimously. Public hearing was closed at 11:00 a.m.

6. A motion was made by Gibbs, seconded by Ryan to approve the TIP amendment as changed to: **INCREASE** the remaining total cost of the Van Buren Street project from \$461,000 to \$559,000 and Regional FA from \$360,000 to \$448,000. This request is due to an **INCREASE** in the total project costs from \$512,000 to \$610,000. Project costs of \$51k (\$40k Regional FA) were previously authorized in FFY15. STP-U-2835(601)--70-22 (TPMS 22097). All approved.
7. Public Participation Plan review: the draft document was emailed to the Policy Board in advance – no comments were brought to the meeting – committee members will email any input to Organist by the end of the month.
8. DOT Updates - none
9. Hearing no floor items, the next Policy Board meeting was set for January 28, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. in Postville
10. A motion was made by Gibbs, seconded by Thompson to adjourn. Meeting was adjourned at 11:10 a.m.