
Meeting Minutes

RPA-1 Transportation Technical Committee

Monday, July 11th, 2022 at 1:30 p.m. – Electronic Meeting

This meeting took place via electronic means pursuant to the provisions of the Iowa Open Meetings Law, Section 21.8, Code of Iowa.

Due to scheduling constraints, it was impractical for the Transportation Technical Committee to meet in person. This meeting was open to the public and those in attendance were able to hear the proceedings and provide comments and questions as appropriate. Public notice of the meeting was issued in accordance with Iowa Code Section 21.4.

Members in attendance: Joel Fantz, Fayette County Engineer; Nick Rissman (Chair), Howard County Engineer; Jeremy Bril, City of Decorah; Rafe Koopman, Clayton County Engineer; Brian Ridenour, Allamakee County Engineer.

Members Absent: Lee Bjerke, Winneshiek County Engineer; Vic Kane, City of Oelwein.

Others in attendance: Aaron Detter, UERPC Transportation Planning Administrator

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 1:41 p.m. by Rissman

2. Approval of the agenda

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Koopman, seconded by Ridenour, and passed unanimously.

3. Approval of the June 14th, 2022 meeting minutes

A motion to approve the June 14th, 2022 meeting minutes was made by Koopman, seconded by Fantz, and passed unanimously.

4. FFY 2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Detter explained the TIP adoption process for the federal fiscal year (FFY) 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). He noted that he has coordinated with project sponsors on project and programming updates; that the draft TIP has been out for public review for 15 days; and that the Policy Board would be considering adoption of the TIP at their upcoming meeting on July 13th.

A motion to recommend approval of the FFY 2023-2026 to the RPA-1 Policy Board was made by Fantz, seconded by Koopman, and passed unanimously.

5. SFY 2023 Transportation Planning Work Program (TPWP) amendment

Detter provided background on the proposed amendment to the SFY 2023 Transportation Planning Work Program (TPWP). He explained that the amendment would add \$20,000 in regional Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funds and \$5,000 local matching funds to the approved SFY 2023 TPWP. He noted that

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the funding was awarded to the City of Lansing by the Transportation Policy Board to complete a Highway 9/Main Street Vision Plan and that, because the City of Lansing desires to work with UERPC on the project, Iowa Department of Transportation had recommended that the awarded STBG funds for planning be added to the RPA-1 SFY 2023 TPWP as a special project, with the \$5,000 in matching funds coming from the City of Lansing. Detter explained that the amendment would make this addition to the TPWP. Detter noted that the Lansing City Council had voted the previous week in favor of working with UERPC on the project and of having the project and funding added to the TPWP as a special project.

Rissman noted his support for the savings and efficiencies that this process would provide for the City of Lansing. Ridenour noted that he appreciated the streamlined process that this would allow for Lansing.

A motion to recommend approval of the SFY 2023 TPWP amendment to the RPA-1 Policy Board was made by Koopman, seconded by Fantz, and passed unanimously.

6. Floor Items

Rissman asked for any floor items from members, and heard none.

7. Set next meeting date

Rissman noted that the Technical Committee would likely go with whatever the Policy Board decided to do, as usual. Detter explained that the next meetings would likely be in late September or October, but that he would follow up to coordinate that as usual with the Board and committees.

8. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Ridenour, seconded by Koopman, and passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 1:53 p.m.

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