

**Minutes of the
DAVENPORT-ROCK ISLAND-MOLINE, IOWA-ILLINOIS
URBANIZED AREA
TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE**

Tuesday, March 21, 2006, 12:00 Noon
Third Floor Conference Room
Bi-State Regional Commission
1504 Third Avenue
Rock Island, Illinois

Policy Members Present

Mike Freemire	Mayor of Bettendorf
Lyle Lohse	Mayor of Silvis
Larry Lorensen	MetroLINK Board of Trustees Chair
Becky Marruffo	Illinois Department of Transportation-Dixon
Tom Sunderbruch	Scott County Board of Supervisors
John Thodos	Mayor of East Moline

Others Present

Marianne Doonan	Bi-State Regional Commission
Jennifer Garrity	MetroLINK
Mark Hunt	Bi-State Regional Commission
Gena McCullough	Bi-State Regional Commission
Becky Passman	Bi-State Regional Commission
Lalit Patel	Bi-State Regional Commission
Kathy Starling	Iowa-Illinois Center for Independent Living

1. Approval of the Minutes of the February 21, 2006 Transportation Policy Committee Meeting. Due to a lack of a quorum, all actions taken at this March 21st meeting will require ratification at the next Policy Committee meeting where a quorum of members is present. Mayor Thodos asked for approval of the February 21, 2006 Transportation Policy Committee minutes. Mr. Lorensen motioned to approve the minutes as written. Mayor Lohse seconded the motion and the motion carried.
2. Consideration of 2035 Quad City Area Long Range Transportation Plan. Ms. McCullough noted the results from a series of five public hearings. There were approximately 35 participants total. She also directed the Policy Committee to the agenda packet for a revised summary of comments received to date and staff's suggestions on how they would be addressed in the final plan document. A letter was received from the Quad City Bicycle Club. It reiterated many aspects of the multi-purpose trail section of the plan. It had been e-mailed to the Technical Committee for comments and/or refinements of the proposed trails. Related to the proposed trails, Ms. McCullough noted the text will show there is 164 miles of proposed trails. The average cost per mile is estimated at \$ 121,000 with a total trail cost of

approximately \$20 million, well within the funding estimated to be available for transportation enhancements. The public review period concluded March 2, 2006. Mayor Lohse motioned to recommend the consideration of adoption of the *2035 Quad City Area Long Range Transportation Plan* to the Bi-State Regional Commission with the revisions noted per the comments summary. Mr. Lorensen seconded the motion and it carried.

3. Presentation on FY07 Transportation Planning Work Program (TPWP). The Policy Committee was directed to a copy of the draft FY07 Transportation Planning Work Program (TPWP) in Committee members' agenda packet. Annually the TPWP document for the Quad Cities metropolitan planning area is revised to reflect staff activities for the coming fiscal year. The FY2007 TPWP is developed to aid cooperative, continuing and comprehensive transportation planning. It includes program and object-class budgets for Bi-State's transportation planning activities and funds, amounting to \$715,491. The document also outlines the history of organizations playing a role in transportation planning. In the metropolitan area, major transportation issues include:
 - River Crossing Capacity Improvements
 - Congestion Management. Intelligent Transportation System and Air Quality Improvement Activities
 - Intermodal Connections
 - Long Range Plan Implementation and Planning
 - Coordination with Human Service & Specialized Transportation Providers
 - Integration of Safety and Security

With reauthorization of the federal transportation act (SAFETEA-LU), the urban FY07 planning budget realized a fifteen percent increase from FY06 levels. Mayor Freemire motioned to recommend approval of the FY07 TPWP activities to the Bi-State Regional Commission. Mayor Lohse seconded the motion and it carried.

4. Public Comments. No public comments were made.
5. Other Business. The next Policy Committee meeting will be held May 23, 2006 where consideration of the FFY07-10 Transportation Improvement Program will be discussed. No other business was noted.
6. Adjournment. Mr. Sunderbruch motioned to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mayor Lohse. The meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.