

**Minutes of the**  
**QUAD CITIES, IOWA-ILLINOIS**  
**METROPOLITAN PLANNING AREA**  
**TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE**

Wednesday, April 23, 2014, 12:00 noon  
Bi-State Regional Commission  
Third Floor County Board Chambers  
1504 Third Avenue  
Rock Island, Illinois

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Ray Ambrose	Alderman, City of Davenport
Phil Banaszek	Chairman, Rock Island County
Bill Cusack	Board of Administrators, Scott County
Bob Gallagher	Mayor of Bettendorf
Bill Gluba	Mayor of Davenport
Jeff Justin	Alderman, City of Davenport
Larry Lorensen	Chair, MetroLINK
Becky Marruffo	Illinois Department of Transportation
Marty O'Boyle	Mayor of Eldridge
Scott Raes	Mayor of Moline
Sam Shea	Iowa Department of Transportation
John Thodos	Mayor of East Moline

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Doug DeLille	Illinois Department of Transportation
Gene Hellige	City of Davenport
Gena McCullough	Bi-State Regional Commission
Brandon Melton	Bi-State Regional Commission
Donnie Miller	Bicycle Safety
David Morrill	Alfred Benesch & Company
Becky Passman	Bi-State Regional Commission
Lalit Patel	Bi-State Regional Commission
Doug Rick	Iowa Department of Transportation
Doug Roelfs	Davenport CitiBus
Bryan Schmid	Bi-State Regional Commission
Jim Schnoebelen	Iowa Department of Transportation
Ed Tibbits	Quad City Times
Andy Wilson	Federal Highway Administration, Iowa

1. Approval of the Minutes of the March 25, 2014 Transportation Policy Committee Meeting. Mayor Gallagher called the meeting to order and requested a motion for approval of the March 25, 2014 minutes of Transportation Policy Committee. Mr. Ambrose moved to approve the minutes as written, and Mr. Cusack seconded. The motion carried.
2. Consideration of Revisions to the FFY2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Mr. Melton conveyed the information included on the revisions sheet attached to these minutes.

There were three roadway amendments and four CitiBus amendments. Mayor O'Boyle moved to approve the TIP revisions as presented. Mr. Justin seconded the motion which carried. The TIP revisions are attached with the minutes.

3. Presentation on I-74 Corridor Public Informational Meetings. Mr. Morrill presented on material that was on display for the public at the informational meetings that took place April 23 and 24 in Moline and Bettendorf. The subject of the meetings was to give the public updated information specifically regarding updates and staging of the I-74 corridor reconstruction project including the new I-74 Bridge. The meetings were going to be held in the style of an open house with seven stations displaying a total of 41 boards on easels.

Mr. Morrill detailed updates to the project, including the sections of Interstate highway being converted from rural interstate design to urban interstate design. Current project phasing is broken into five phases, with funding being spread out somewhat over those phases. This is in contrast to the original project phasing, which required up-front funding. Work will begin to be let in June 2014 for work in Moline, followed by Bettendorf in September 2014, and the central section including the new bridge in July 2017. Closures to travel lanes will begin during Stage 2 of the construction process beginning with west-bound lanes from Avenue of the Cities in Moline to Middle Road in Bettendorf. The existing bridge will remain open to local traffic, but road work will inhibit traffic up to the bridge entrance. Traffic will be detoured to other local interstates, while dynamic message signs will reflect real-time travel times of the official detour and local road options. The local road option through Moline will require crossing a set of train tracks, which will be reflected on the dynamic message signs.

Numerous questions were asked by Policy Committee members. It was noted that other state-owned and interstate bridges in the area will not be experiencing construction during the years that construction will be taking place on the new I-74 bridge. It is uncertain, however, what, if any, traffic disruptions will take place on the Government Bridge to Arsenal Island. It was also noted that the cost of the project reflects year of expenditure dollars that take into account future inflation.

4. Public Comments. No public comments were provided.
5. Other Business. Ms. McCullough noted 109 users have signed up for MindMixer to provide feedback and insight for the Long Range Transportation Plan and the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS). It was also shared that the U.S. Secretary of Transportation Anthony Foxx will be in town on Thursday, April 24 for two appearances and speeches in Bettendorf and Moline.
6. Adjournment. Mayor Gluba motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Ambrose seconded the motion, and the meeting adjourned at 12:50 p.m.