

Minutes of the
REGION 9
TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL COMMITTEE
Serving Rural Scott County and all of Muscatine County

Wednesday, July 2, 2014 – 10:00 a.m.
River Bend Transit
Board Room
7440 Vine Street Court
Davenport, Iowa

Technical Committee Members Present

Chris Ball	City Administrator, City of Wilton
Jon Burgstrom	County Engineer, Scott County
Randy Hill	Public Works Director, City of Muscatine
Kristy Korpi	Transit Supervisor, City of Muscatine Transit
Sam Shea	Iowa Department of Transportation
Randy Zobrist	Executive Director, River Bend Transit, Inc.

Others Present

Gena McCullough	Bi-State Regional Commission
Lindsay Whitson	Bi-State Regional Commission

1. Approval of Minutes of the March 26, 2014 Region 9 Transportation Technical Committee Meeting. Mr. Burgstrom moved to approve the minutes, and Ms. Korpi seconded the motion. Minutes were approved as written by consensus.
2. Consideration of FY2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Ms. Whitson presented a brief overview of the TIP and the process involved in its development. Ms. Whitson shared that the Iowa Department of Transportation provided feedback, and that Bi-State staff is incorporating updates where necessary. Ms. McCullough shared that in the past, the Region 9 Transportation Policy Committee has approved TAP Flex funds being represented as flexible between the Surface Transportation Program (STP) and the Transportation Alternative Program (TAP). Ms. McCullough asked the Technical Committee if they agreed with this decision as is and if they would like to pass on for approval by the Region 9 Transportation Policy Committee. Mr. Hill moved to approve the process status quo, and Mr. Burgstrom seconded the motion. Mr. Zobrist motioned to recommend approval of the entire TIP document as presented, and Ms. Korpi seconded the motion.
3. Discussion of Current STP, TAP, and TAP Flex Programming Funds Available. Ms. McCullough shared the amount of funding allocated to Region 9 for the STP and TAP programs in the upcoming funding cycle. She stated that the money would be funded through FFY2019. Committee members discussed potential projects to be applied for using STP and/or TAP dollars within the Region 9 area. Ms. McCullough suggested a timeline that included distributing applications to the Committee members in September 2014, with a return date to Bi-State Regional Commission in November. It was proposed that the Region 9 Technical Committee would meet in November or December to discuss the ranking of potential projects. Members of the Technical Committee agreed with the proposed timeline.

4. Public Comments. There were no public comments.
5. Other Business. Mr. Zobrist addressed the issue of a standing meeting date. It appears that Wednesday mornings with an allotted start time of 10:00 a.m. is the most conducive for the majority of Committee member's schedules. Members suggested keeping a quarterly schedule and cancelling or adding meetings based on agenda items. Ms. Whitson will send out an e-mail with the upcoming year's meeting dates. Concern about hard dates for the upcoming Centennial Bridge closure was also addressed. Ms. McCullough stated that the closure dates are scheduled to begin and end in the timeframe of July 28 to September 6.
6. Adjournment. Mr. Zobrist motioned to adjourn the meeting, and Mr. Ball seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at approximately 11:05 a.m.