

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

Tuesday, November 7, 2017 – 2:00 p.m.
River Bend Transit
Conference Room
Davenport, IA

Technical Committee Members Present

Chris Ball	City Administrator, City of Wilton
Jon Burgstrom	Scott County Engineer
Amy Fortenbacher	Transit Supervisor, City of Muscatine Transit
Dave Gobin	Community Development Director, City of Muscatine
Sam Shea	Iowa Department of Transportation
Brian Stineman	City of Muscatine Public Works Director
Keith White	Muscatine County Engineer
Randy Zobrist	River Bend Transit

Others Present

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

1. Minutes of the April 11, 2017 Transportation Technical Committee Meeting. Mr. White moved to approve the Transportation Technical Committee meeting minutes as written, and Mr. Zobrist seconded the motion. Minutes were approved as written by consensus.
2. Consideration of Revisions to the FFY 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program. Ms. Whitson shared three amendments, including a discussion on an amendment for TPMS project #34150. The discussion entailed redistributing the remaining \$73,000 in Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside funds that were returned from the City of Wilton. Mr. White moved to approve the shifting of the \$73,000 to Muscatine, and Mr. Zobrist seconded the motion. Mr. Stineman moved to approve all three amendments, and Mr. White seconded the motion. The motion carried.
3. Status of Transportation Alternatives Setaside (TASA) and STBG TAP Flex Funds. Ms. McCullough informed the Committee of the status of the proposed TASA and STBG TAP Flex Funds proposal and that TASA Projects are not eligible for the federal-aid swap process. A discussion ensued of potentially going out for a call for projects in later winter 2018 or early spring 2019, in which Committee members seemed interested. The Iowa Department of Transportation asked RPA's to vote on the delegation of TAP Flex Funds moving forward. Mr. Burgstrom motioned to keep the TAP Flex funds flexible, with the ability to continue to use the funds towards TASA or STBG projects. Mr. White seconded the motion, and it carried.

4. Presentation on Complete Streets Year 2 – Sidewalk Policies and Non-Motorized Transportation Efforts. Mrs. McCullough provided an overview of the Complete Streets initiative under the Iowa Department of Public Health and explained the broader efforts for continued work during the second year of the grant. Mr. Soliz provided information concerning the current status of the project, outlining which Scott County member governments had existing sidewalk policies, with two smaller member governments volunteering for technical assistance with developing a sidewalk inventory (Eldridge and LeClaire). Similar information will be collected in Muscatine County. Having this information will provide a good foundation for the next Region 9 Long Range Transportation Plan update, as well as support livability initiatives. There was some discussion on ADA compliance related to this agenda item.
5. Public Comments. There were no public comments.
6. Other Business. Ms. McCullough shared that Paul Trombino, former Iowa Department of Transportation Director, was nominated to become administrator of the Federal Highway Administration. She also shared that Fruitland and Nichols have now become member governments of Bi-State Regional Commission.
7. Adjournment. Mr. Burgstrom moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Gobin seconded the motion, and it carried.