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# EVANSVILLE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION POLICY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Regular meeting held at 4:00 p.m. in Room 301 Civic Center Complex – Administration Building Evansville, Indiana

October 5, 2017

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## ROLL CALL

Members Present (voting):

Jack Corn, Mayor Lloyd Winnecke, Bruce Ungethiem, Joe Kiefer II, William Hubiak, Doug Boom, Rusty Fowler, Wade Clements

<u>Members Absent (voting):</u> Dr. H. Dan Adams, Todd Robertson, Angela Koehler Lindsey, Dan Saylor, Christy Powell

Members Present (non-voting): Antonio Johnson

<u>Members Absent (non-voting):</u> Joe McGuinness, Mayela Sosa, Shawn Seals, Marisol Simon, Susan Weber, Thomas Nelson, Jr., Bernadette Dupont, Greg Thomas, John Moore, Leslie Poff

<u>Evansville MPO Staff Present:</u> Seyed Shokouhzadeh, Pam Drach, Matt Schriefer, Kari Akin, Laura Lamb, Craig Luebke, Erin Schriefer

<u>Others Present:</u> Don Gibbs, Jim Poturalski, Steve Nicaise, Thomas Witt

Jack Corn directed the meeting.

# **1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

William Hubiak made a motion for approval and Wade Clements seconded the motion; motion carried.

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# 2. OLD BUSINESS

#### A. Project Update- presented by Pam Drach

## **CITY OF HENDERSON**

North Green River Road Sidewalk Extension, Bend Gate Rd to Osage Dr: The City is working with KYTC to initiate design services.

# WARRICK COUNTY

Oak Grove Road: The project has been moved to the January 18, 2018 letting.

# <u>KYTC</u>

<u>US 60, KY 425/Henderson Bypass to Waverly:</u> Paving in front of the Henderson Community College started this week. This final round of paving should substantially complete the project. The target completion date is October 13, 2017.

<u>US Highway 60, Spottsville Bridge:</u> A public meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, October 19, 2017 from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM at the Spottsville Elementary School. There will be a brief presentation at 6:00 PM. For the remainder of the time, KYTC staff will be available to answer questions.

This item was informational and did not require a committee action.

## 3. NEW BUSINESS

## A. FY 2018-2021 TIP Administrative Modifications – presented by Craig Luebke

An Administrative Modification to the FY 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) was processed on September 13, 2017.

The City of Henderson requested the following modification:

<u>Item# 02-713.00:</u> Wathen Lane: Bridge replacement. Replace existing bridge with box culvert and guardrails. Add project for utilities (U) and construction (CN) in fiscal year 2018. This project is being administratively modified in the current TIP under the rollover provision. The project was programmed in the prior TIP, but did not let as scheduled in fiscal 2017. U costs of \$25,000 will be funded with \$20,000 in federal STP funds and a \$5,000 local match. CN costs of \$200,000 will be funded with \$160,000 in federal STP funds and a \$40,000 local match.

This item was informational and did not require a committee action.

## **B. I-69 ORX – Jim Poturalski, INDOT**

Jim Poturalski with INDOT provided an update on the Ohio River Crossing project. The audio can be heard on the Evansville MPO website at <u>http://www.evansvillempo.com/Meetings.html</u>.

Bruce Ungethiem asked what the next phase of work would be and what the timing for construction start would be.

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Jim Poturalski responded that a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is anticipated for fall 2018, with a Record of Decision (ROD) approximately one year later (fall 2019). If construction is recommended, the FHWA ROD allows Indiana and Kentucky to access federal funds for additional project development. The two states would then seek funding opportunities, whether it is traditional funding, tolling, or a combination. A project of this type would normally have two to three years of design, permits, right of way, and utility relocations before major construction could start.

Mayor Lloyd Winnecke commented to compliment the team, both states and the consulting teams, on the flow of information and the impressive level of outreach for the project, citing the project offices in each city as speaking to the commitment to outreach.

# 4. OTHER BUSINESS

## A. Approval of Bills

William Hubiak made a motion for approval and Bruce Ungethiem seconded the motion; motion carried.

# 5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

Meeting adjourned.