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EVANSVILLE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MINUTES

Regular meeting held at 10:00 a.m. in Room 318
Civic Center Complex – Administration Building
Evansville, Indiana

December 6, 2008

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Richard Meyer, Nick Hall, John Stoll, Emmanuel Nsonwu (via teleconference), Gina Boaz, Mike O'Daniel

Evansville MPO Staff Present:

Brad Mills, Vishu Lingala, Kari Akin, Laura Lamb, Dave Stensaas, Rob Schaefer

Others Present:

Mr. Mills: Pat Keepes wasn't able to make it due to other commitments he has with the city, so I will be running the meeting today.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Mills: The first item on the agenda is approval of minutes for the November meeting. Is there a motion for approval? (Motion was made by Mr. Meyer and seconded by Mr. Hall.) SO ORDERED.

Mr. Mills: Before we start, Emmanuel is on the phone for this meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

PROJECT UPDATE

CITY OF EVANSVILLE

Oak Hill Road (STP-U/local funded):

Ms. Lamb: Right-of-way acquisition is progressing with 43 out of 57 parcels currently secured and/or cleared.

Ohio Street ITS Project (CMAQ/local funded):

Ms. Lamb: Final installation of the advance warning equipment has been pushed back to mid December in order for the railroad to finalize testing of the equipment controls and interface. Construction, including installation of this equipment is expected to take approximately one week to complete.

Pigeon Creek Greenway Passage Project-Phase 3 (TE/local funded):

Phase 3C (Casino Aztar to the Animal Control Shelter on Uhlhorn Avenue)

Ms. Lamb: This is the Joan Marchand Bridge Rehabilitation. This project was let for construction on November 19, 2008 to Deig Brothers Lumber & Construction of Evansville for a low bid of \$811,381.00. Though all bids came in over the engineer's estimate, the city has decided to apply the additional funds necessary to allow the contract to be finalized.

VANDERBURGH COUNTY

Burkhardt Road – Virginia Street intersection improvement (CMAQ/local funded):

Ms. Lamb: A public comment period has been opened for the review of the proposed Section 106 “finding of no historic properties affected” determination. Any comments from the public should be directed to the MPO office by December 21, 2008.

Green River Road – Millersburg Road intersection improvement (CMAQ/local funded):

Ms. Lamb: This project was let for construction on November 19, 2008 to Ragle, Inc. of Newburgh for a low bid of \$2,167,149.41. This project will be closely coordinated with the Green River Road widening project.

Baseline Road, CSX Overpass (locally funded):

Ms. Lamb: Utility relocations are underway. Contractor preparations for the construction of the overpass will begin within the next couple weeks, though the roadway will remain open to traffic until December 15th.

TOWN OF NEWBURGH

Rivertown Trail- Yorkshire Trailhead to the old Lock & Dam (TE/local funded):

Ms. Lamb: This project was let for construction on November 19, 2008 to Deig Brothers Lumber & Construction of Evansville for a low bid of \$1,050,756.00.

INDOT PROJEC TS

SR 261 at Hunter Road (STP/INDOT funded):

Ms. Lamb: This improvement included the realignment of the intersection to a near 90 degree angle to increase visibility. This project is now complete and open to traffic. That is all the updates I have. Does anybody have any questions about those or any discussion about any of the other projects?

Mr. Mills: Okay, thank you Laura.

Certification Review

Mr. Stensaas: Everybody should have gotten an email notification of this. But we would like to remind you again and encourage you to attend this meeting. The Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration are going to have representatives here in Evansville this coming Monday night. It will be an open public meeting, which you can express your views on the transportation planning process in the Evansville region. That meeting is from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. December 8th at the Evansville Central Library at 200 S.E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd in Browning Room A.

Mr. Mills: Okay, thank you.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Mills: Is there any new business to bring before the Committee? (None.)

OTHER BUSINESS

Evansville MPO 2009 Meeting Schedule

Ms. Akin: In your packets, you have your meeting schedule for 2009. As you can see, the January meeting is January 1st and the building is closed and it is a holiday. We are planning on cancelling that meeting. If it is rescheduled we will send you an e-mail. It is dependent upon what our Policy Board wants.

Mr. Mills: Any questions on the schedule? (None.)

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Mills: Are there any comments? (None.)

Meeting adjourned.