

MINUTES

John Sessler called the Meeting to order at 10:35 a.m.

Those Members Present

Bruce Smith	Tim Gothard	John Krabacher	Kevin O'Neil
Elmer Beard	Sarah Wildman	Kent Sherry	Leo Shanayda
Kathy Estep	Marjorie Travis	Jim Campbell	Paul Wilson
David Hartley	John Detrick	Roger Tackett	Geoff Steele
Matt Parrill	Bob Bender	Alan Thompson	Toni Keller
Nancy Brown			

THOSE ALTERNATES PRESENT WERE:

Don Lucas	Dana Bumgardener	Jeff Briner	Karen Duncan
Jim Carey	Glenn Massie		

ALSO PRESENT WERE:

Joyce Davis	Lamar Daniel	Thea Walsh	Eric Ottoson
Scott Schmid	Shane Farnsworth		

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Motion by David Hartley, seconded by Tim Gothard, to approve the minutes of the March 9, 2007 meeting.

Vote: Motion approved unanimously.

EXPENDITURES

Motion by John Krabacher, seconded by Leo Shanayda, to approve the expenditures in the amount of \$53,967.85.

Vote: Motion approved unanimously.

BUDGET STATUS & CASH ON HAND REPORT

Thea Walsh explained that the FY06 Audit Management Letter had no findings and did have recommendations. The recommendations requested that the policy board review a monthly Budget Status and Cash On Hand report to improve monitoring

controls over the CCSTCC's financial activity. The Board should document receipt and review of these reports within the minutes. Also, a designated Board Member should sign and date these reports as evidence of review.

Thea Walsh stated that the Cash on Hand and Budget Status reports are always a month behind the Summary of Expenses Report. Information used to verify reports, is not received from the County Auditor until 15 days after the end of a given month.

Cash on Hand & Budget status for January 2007 ending balance \$132,562.76; budget balance \$545,270.00 and budget expended YTD 43%. Cash on Hand & Budget status for February 2007 ending balance \$135,455.20; budget balance \$509,184.00 and budget expended YTD 46%.

Motion by Allen Thompson, seconded by Jim Campbell, to approve the Cash On Hand Report.

Vote: Motion approved unanimously.

PRIOR APPROVAL

Motion by Tim Gothard, seconded by John Krabacher, to approve an amount not to exceed \$260.00 for one staff member to attend the Spring National Road Alliance Meeting in Cambridge City, Indiana on April 26 & 27, 2007.

Vote Motion approved unanimously.

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING UPDATE

2008 – 2011 Transportation Planning Program Update

Scott Schmid discussed the Draft 2008 – 2011 Transportation Improvement Program and the public involvement review. There were three Public Involvement meetings held. There were 19 people at the meetings. There were 12 public comments and 1 comment on I- 675. The final draft will be on the TCC website.

Locally Developed Coordinated Public Transit Human Services Transportation Plan update

Thea Walsh presented the Coordinated Public Transportation Plan goals and objectives included services, coordination, marking and funding resources.

Thea Walsh briefly reviewed the information. She explained that there is desire to expand SCAT services days, hour, coverage region and type of service. Other service related objectives included coordinating SCAT service with school routes and times, expanding Workplus services and combining county and city service. For coordination she explained that the planning group expressed interest in forming mobility committee, acquiring a mobility manger/agency, coordinating unified staff training criteria for provider services, efficient utilization of existing resources, addressing barriers and agencies legal requirements. For marketing she explained the planning group was interested in making information available on the city website, SCAT having its own website and working with Human Resource Departments. For funding resources she explained that the planning group was interested in the Elderly & Disabled Specialized Program, the Job Access Reverse Commute Grant Program, New Freedom Grant Program, funding from the Administration on Aging, private partnerships, employer subsidy programs and county un-voted sale taxes.

Thea Walsh reported that the Draft Coordinated Public Transportation Plan timeline for completion includes a Coordinated Plan Committee meeting on April 30, 2007 at City Hall 4th floor conference room and a Public Involvement Open House Session held on May 17, 2007 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.. The TCC should accept the Final Plan on June 8, 2007.

SCAT Proposed Route Changes

Eric Ottoson reported on the SCAT proposed route changes. He went into detail and showed maps of where the new routes would be located and the old route would be dropped. Eric Ottoson announced that there will be an open house on Monday April 16, 2007 in City Hall Forum at 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

SAFETA-LU Gap Analysis Update

Thea Walsh explained the gap analysis of planning regulations between TEA-21 and SAFETEA-LU for the 2030 Long Range Transportation Plan. It is required in an amendment of the plan before July 1, 2007. The Update of the Long Range Plan and Air Quality Conformity Determination cycle will go from every 3 years to every 4 years. The TCC staff will produce an annual list for federally funded project every year in September. For safety reasons, hot spot analysis will continue biannually. The staff will work with the County Emergency Management Agency and transit providers to address increasing security of the transportation system. . There will be a 4 year plan update. The agency must maintain fiscal constraint. The staff has developed a discussion of environmental mitigation in Transportation Plan documents and will continue to maintain the information. The TCC Transportation Plans will have to be compared with other State and Local conservation plans, maps, and inventories. The staff has Consulted with local and state agencies on land use management, natural resources and historic and will need to continue doing so for future Transportation Plans.

will be submitted to ODOT and FHWA next week. The final will be proposed at the May 2007 TCC meeting.

Countywide Safety Program Update

Scott Schmid stated on the last page attached to your agenda is a Memorandum from Ohio Department of Transportation approving the Safety Program Work Plan. ODOT awarded nearly \$500,000 in safety and improvements funding. The City of Springfield will receive \$229,000 and the Clark County will receive \$291,000. Every project that was submitted was approved. Total projects costs \$320,100 and the total studies cost \$210,000.

Others

Electronic Billboards

Thea Walsh stated that the Traffic Safety, Electronic Billboards and Resolution (2007 –D) was tabled at the last meeting until more information could be presented. The Technical Advisory Committee met on March 15, 2007. All present TAC members agreed to withdraw Resolution 2007 – D from consideration.

Corridors of the Future Proposal

Thea Walsh explained the Corridors of the Future Program (CFP). She explained that the program is for the development of multi-state transportation corridors in need of investment for the purpose of reducing construction. State and private sector are encouraged to work together. CFP projects may augment an existing transportation corridor or may develop entirely new facilities. Up to 5 proposals will be chosen Nationwide. The US DOT has decided to advance 14 of 38 proposals received in the initials proposal round to submit more project information.

Thea Walsh stated that I-70 in Missouri, Illinois, Indiana and Ohio - an 800 mile section of I-70 has been the subject of a proposal submitted by the states. I would become a dedicated/separated truck lane, with increased speed, increased load limits and tolls should the proposal and funding be selected and awarded. The proposal is being developed by the states and the trucking industry.

Thea Walsh stated that ODOT has requested that each of the MPOs on I-70 take action and write a letter of support to submit with second round application for this proposal. The letter of support would state that the TCC supports the joint application and encourages the USDOT to select the application and to recognize that the separation of truck traffic from vehicular traffic is a viable strategy to reduce congestion and improve safety in our urban area. Further, that the TCC recognizes that providing a dedicated truck lane may encourage commerce and economic growth throughout the Midwest. If selected our MPO will actively support and participate in

the planning and public participation processes needed to analyze and advance the concept of dedicated truck lanes through our urban area.

Motion by David Hartley, seconded Nancy Brown, to support the Corridors of the Future Proposal by sending letter to all the MPO in our area to support the Truck Association on a third lane.

Vote: Motion approved unanimously.

Thea Walsh announced that the Chairman needs to select a Nominating Committee for taking nominations for the TCC Chairman seat and three new Vice-Chairman Seats. Chairman, John Sessler appointed the Nominating Committee as Sarah Wildman, Roger Tackett and Alan Thompson. the Nomination Committee will present a slate of officers at the next meeting.

Thea Walsh stated that she needed contact information for the alternates.

TRANSPORTATION POLICY BOARD UPDATE

A. Highways

Matt Parrill announced that they had a State Transportation Improvement Program public involvement session last week.

B. Transit

Glenn Massie reported that the fixed route Ridership for March 2007 is 39,945. SCAT ridership is down about 1,097 from 2006. Paratransit Ridership is 389 trips and Dial-A-Ride had 519 trips.

C. Railroad

Alan Thompson stated that WESTCO has 94 miles of track in Champaign, Fayette and Clark County. The Port Authority is awarding two contracts for construction and Engineering for two bridges that will be replaced this summer. One of the bridges is on Route 36 in Champaign County. The other bridge is over the Sugar Creek in Fayette County.

D. Trails

Jim Campbell reported that there will be construction on the Buck Creek Scenic Trail. There is a possibility that one of the railroad bridges will be worked on, near to the old Navistar body plant. The second potential construction that may impact the trails is parade ground at South Charleston. Today in New & Sun you might have notice that Simon Kenton Path Finders have been very successful in their project in Champaign County. The National Trails Parks and Recreation District Office has been working closely to help connect Simon Kenton Trail between Urbana and Springfield.

Lamar Daniel stated that the TCC is working on the 2007 Traffic Counts Program have started. He receives traffic count requests from the City and County. He

requested that if anyone has counts they would like done give them to him next week so he can finalize the 2007 Traffic Counts Program.

E. Officials and Other

Roger Tackett stated that things are moving well at Springview facility. He told the TCC about the WWII honor flight program and its partnership with the Small Business Administration of Auburn Avenue. He expressed his happiness about Richie Brothers opening their facility in Clark County.

Thea Walsh announced that the TCC office will be moving out to Springview in October 2007. She explained that the contract with the County Commissioners has been finalized. The TCC will be located on the second floor.

Kevin O'Neill thanked TCC for denying the Resolution on the electronic billboards.

Sarah Wildman stated that John Montgomery is her alternate.

Elmer Beard announced that Enon will have their Outstanding Citizen award on the first Sunday on May 6, 2007. It will be held at 2:00 p.m.

Kathy Estep introduced Pan Weaver as her alternate.

Adjournment

Motion by Elmer Beard, second by Jim Campbell, to adjourn the TCC meeting.

Vote: Motion approved unanimously.

The TCC meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

Sincerely,

John Sessler
Chairman