

**MINUTES**

Robert Warren called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

**THOSE MEMBERS PRESENT WERE:**

Bob Bender	Nancy Brown	Kathy Estep	Jim Campbell
Herb Greer	Tom Junk	Brad Lightle	David Locke
Jim Mann	Bruce Smith	Geoff Steele	Alan Thompson
Marjorie Travis	Clifford Vernon	Sarah Wildman	David Hartley
John Detrick	Leo Shanayda		

**THOSE ALTERNATES PRESENT WERE:**

Glen Massie	Pat Sullivan	Bill Carey	Donald Lucas
Mike McDorman	Lowell McGlothin	David Zak	

**ALSO PRESENT WERE:**

Thea Walsh	Joyce Davis	Brian Mercer	Eric Ottoson
Scott Schmid	Lamar Daniel	Paul Hazlett	Libby Rushley
Frank Burkett			

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Motion by Herb Greer, seconded by Bob Bender, to approve the minutes of the September 12, 2008 meeting.

Vote: Motion approved unanimously.

**FINANCIAL REPORTING**

**Budget Status & Cash on Hand Report**

Motion by Herb Greer, seconded by David Hartley, to approve the Budget Status and Cash on Hand Report.

Vote: Motion approved unanimously.

**Summary of Expenses**

Motion by Herb Greer, seconded by David Hartley, to approve the expenditures in the amount \$74,322.83.

Vote: Motion approved unanimously.

**Resolution 2008 – S (Assets Inventory Policy)**

Thea Walsh stated that all purchases valued at \$500.00 or greater will be included in the Capitalized Assets Inventory. Equipment would fully depreciate in 5 years, software would fully depreciate in 3 years and furniture and fixtures would fully depreciate in 10 years. Any purchases less than \$500.00 would not be listed on the inventory.

Motion by Herb Greer, seconded by Alan Thompson, to approve Resolution 2008 – S.

Vote: Motion approved unanimously.

**TRANSPORTATION PLANNING UPDATE****Coordinated Public Transit Plan-Amendment Resolution 2008-T  
Oakwood Village & Petticrew Adult Day Center**

Lamar Daniel explained that this is the amendment to include two agencies in the Coordinated Public Transportation Program. These agencies must be listed in the plan in order to qualify for the Specialized Transportation Program. They will need to file a letter of intent with ODOT by October 30, 2008. The application process will start right after that. The two agencies that are added by this amendment are Oakwood Village and Petticrew Adult Day Center who is part of the Community Mercy Health Partners.

Motion by David Hartley, seconded by Jim Campbell, to amend Resolution 2008 – T.

Vote: Motion approved unanimously.

**FY2008-FY2011 Transportation Improvement Program  
Amendment Resolution 2008 - U, SCAT Transit Program**

Thea Walsh stated that this TIP amendment is at the request of ODOT Administration and Governor Strickland they are asking all MPO's to assist in a situation that has come out of a report called "Transit in Crisis". Due to rising fuel prices and rising Ridership many transit agencies are really struggling. In some larger cities there having to close off certain routes. The demand does not match up with the cost of the fuel. With this request about \$21 million in assistance from MPO's in Ohio will be going to their respective transit providers for assistance. To assist local transit agencies as a means of offsetting their fuel expenses as many are over budget. This is considering a short term fix to prevent transit shortages. Through this she proposed that CMAQ funding will pay 100%

of a project that would have only been covered by the FTA grant at the rate of 80% where the City would have to pay 20% of local match. That 20% local match they can use an unrestricted funds towards fuel or other expenses.

Eric Ottoson stated what SCAT is going to be doing is purchasing two light transit vehicle wide-body vans. SCAT will be replacing two fix route busses. The caring capacity of these vehicles is about the same as the low floor busses and they are fully ADA compliant. They get better fuel mileage, in fact, about twice as good.

Thea Walsh stated that this funding has to be used before July 1, 2009 in order for the project to be 100% federally funded.

Motion by Jim Campbell, second by Tom Junk, to amend the Transportation Improvement Program and Resolution 2008 – U.

Vote: Motion approved unanimously.

### **FY2010-FY2013 Transportation Improvement Program Development**

Scott Schmid stated that TCC did have a Public Involvement Meeting at Springview on September 16, 2008. We did not have a good turn out and had only two comments. TCC had their Technical Advisory Committee Meeting this morning. Staff made recommendations to fund all projects except three.

### **Other**

Thea Walsh stated that in our packet you have received a TCC Newsletter. TCC Newsletters are produced bi-annually. This is good advertisement for TCC. It is also on our website. The Ohio National Road Association Newsletter was distributed at the meeting.

### **TRANSPORTATION POLICY BOARD UPDATE**

#### **Highway**

Brad Lightle stated that ODOT has already switched over to the new pavement last week on I-70. Originally ODOT thought that it would not happen until December 2008, but had good weather instead.

Bruce Smith stated that the concrete deck was cast on St. Paris Pike Bridge Monday.

Leo Shanayda stated that the contractors are working out at Lagonda Avenue. They hope to be finished this year. The City is finishing up the Neighborhood Street Program.

**Transit**

Glen Massie reported that Ridership, Paratransit and Dial-A-Ride are doing well. The bikes on the Bus Program have been proven to be successful. There were 220 bike trips last month. The bike trips went down this month. The free Bikes on Bus Program has ended in October 2008.

Eric Ottoson stated that the merger of the High Schools on the north side of town had very little impact.

Glen Massie stated that since the new High School has staggered times SCAT has seen the same amount of students. They are just broken up in two waves. Nothing has change for SCAT. Eric Ottoson and I will be attending a High School Transportation Meeting next week.

**Railroad**

Alan Thompson stated that WESTCO had their last meeting on September 17, 2008. With the retirement of Larry Himes on October 3, 2008 we put in motion a contract to hire TCC to provide administrative services in the interim until we figure out what to do. WESTCO will have our next meeting in November 5, 2008. Thea Walsh is named our new Secretary and Treasurer. At the September 17, 2008 meeting we increased our maintenance fee by 50%. The last maintenance fee increase was in 2001. There are a couple of things TCC Newsletter about WESTCO. WESTCO has been involved with two projects, the completion of the \$615,000 in Bridge Fayette County and a contract to improve the South Charleston lines at approximately \$628,000.

Thea Walsh stated that she had been working with WESTCO's Real Estate Company, Attorney and CPA. She had met with the Simon Kenton Path Finders about the project intention on the Port Authorities property. For the South Charleston Project, WESTCO does have the signed agreement with the lowest qualified bidding construction company.

John Detrick stated that there is 94 miles of WESTCO track that is maintained between Washington C.H and Bellefontaine. I am very excited about this railroad.

**Trail**

Jim Campbell stated that he was excited about bike on the buses. Early in the year the bike path were not being uses as much. As of this last Tuesday the trail had 9.8 % higher usage than last year. The NTPRD would like to thank Springfield Township for coming to their rescue with the Little Miami Scenic Trail. It has been seal and coated in that Township and it looks very nice. We are still looking to find ways to at least fill the large cracks on the Little Miami Scenic Trail before the heavy winter sets in.

**Officials and Others**

John Detrick stated that the County is working with Tom Franzen from the City, Mike McDorman from the Chamber of Commerce they are working together to get jobs into Springfield. We have added 1,500 new jobs in the last two years. We hope to have some major announcements in the next 30 or 45 days for additional jobs for Springfield. There are 500 people are down at North Street and Plum Street right now having a ground breaking for the new hospital. This past week Neva a German company put up a four million dollar building in Air Park and had a grand opening. They are going to supply all of United States with concrete forms for big buildings.

Bob Bender reported that we should have our decorative lighting to be completed by the end of this month. Our curb side leaf pick up was later this month. The Air Plane Parade had a good turn out. There were 767 cars at their automobile show.

Clifford Vernon reminded everyone about the Apple Butter Festival.

Sarah Wildman stated that they are delighted to get the money for S. R. 42 project.

Pat Sullivan stated that they had their Corn Festival last month and it was one of the best that they ever had.

Nancy Brown stated that they are doing improvements at Crystal Lake Park this month. It needs a new parking area.

Herb Greer stated that they painted new lines on the bike trails. The township has been working overtime on the leaves and trees pick up. There still be another two weeks before we are done with the clean up. The township gave away \$8,000 of water after the wind storm on September 14, 2008.

**Adjournment**

Motion by Herb Greer, second by Alan Thompson, to adjourn the TCC meeting.

Vote: Motion approved unanimously.

The TCC meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Sincerely,

Robert Warren  
Chairman