

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Elmer Beard.

Those Members Present: Mark Beckdahl, Bob Bender, Nancy Brown, Dana Baumgardner, John Burr, Jim Campbell, Leann Castillo, Joyce Chilton, John Detrick, Mike Groeber, Richard Henry, Tim Howard, Argeri Lagos, Rick Lohnes, Chris Moore, Joe Mosier, Kevin O'Neill, Kent Sherry, and Larry Tillman.

Those Alternates Present: Howard Kitko and Col. William Wolfarth.

Those Others Present: Tiffany Latta, Steve Schultz, Ben Wiltheiss, Scott Schmid, Zach Balassone, Brian Mercer, Louis Agresta, and Melanie Runkel.

Following roll call, Chairman Beard led the TCC in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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Motion by Kent Sherry, seconded by Dana Baumgardner to approve the minutes from the October 11, 2013 meeting.

Vote: Motion approved.

FINANCIAL REPORTING

Budget Status & Cash on Hand Report

Motion by Richard Henry, seconded by Bob Bender to approve the Budget Status & Cash on Hand Report.

Vote: Motion approved

Summary of Expenses

Expenditures were for the amount of \$52,486.26. Motion to approve was made by Larry Tillman, seconded by Bob Bender.

Vote: Motion approved

Blanket Request Approval

Motion by Rick Lohnes, seconded by Nancy Brown to issue one new Blanket Certificate for \$1,000 for Travel.

Vote: Motion approved

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING UPDATE

US40 Speed Limit Increase-South Vienna

Scott Schmid reported that since the last meeting a letter was sent to ODOT District 7 regarding the speed limit increase in South Vienna. Ben Wiltheiss reported that Craig Eley, ODOT District 7 Traffic Engineer, has been performing a speed study in the area and it is not yet completed. Ben stated that Craig discussed the issue with Randy Chevalley and Matt Parrill, and the District is in agreement to lower the speed limit to 55 mph before the completion of the speed study. Rick Lohnes stated he submitted a letter to District 7 and has also spoken with Matt Parrill and Randy Chevalley regarding the issue. He added that he did not feel the reduction was enough.

John Burr explained that although a speed study is being conducted, in order to lower the speed limit further it would have to be decided on at the legislative level. Scott stated he spoke to Matt Parrill and suggested adding some enhanced signage along US40 to draw more attention prior to entering the village.

Draft Access Ohio 2040

Scott Schmid reported the State does have the draft Plan posted to the Access Ohio 2040 website and encouraged board members to review the Plan and provide feedback. Scott briefly reviewed the Southwest Regional Profile distributed at the meeting. Scott noted that over the next 27 years ODOT has identified a \$14 billion shortfall in revenue and that is the ODOT asset side only, not local asset.

Other

- Scott Schmid reminded everyone in attendance that Lamar Daniel will be retiring at the end of November and an open house will be held following today's meeting.

TRANSPORTATION POLICY BOARD UPDATE

Highway

- ODOT District 7 – no updates to report
- County Engineer – John Burr reported that Selma Pike Bridge has been completed. John also reported on additional road/bridge projects.
- SCAT Contractor – no updates to report

Railroad

- WESTCO – Richard Henry reported there is a high expectation of a large 4th quarter harvest which should result in a large 4th quarter carloads. He reported to date there have been 3,232 carloads which have originated from WESTCO shippers. He also reported WESTCO is working on a project to add active warning devices to several crossings. The project will be completed in Spring 2014. Rick Lohnes asked about the crossing at Craig Road and SR41. Zach Balassone stated WESTCO is working on rehabilitating the next 14-miles of track of the South Charleston Line from South Solon to Springfield. That crossing will be included in the project next year.

Trails

- National Trails Park and Recreation – Leann Castillo reported there were 822 people in attendance at the new ice arena on Nov. 1-3. She also reported on the Champion City Kings coming to Springfield.
- Clark County Park District – Jim Campbell reported the Little Miami Trail project will be awarded Clean Ohio funds.

Officials and Others

- County Commission – John Detrick reported on upcoming community events.
- City of Springfield – Joyce Chilton reported on upcoming community events.
- City of New Carlisle – Howard Kitko reported that the SR235 widening project has been completed.
- Village of Enon – Tim Howard thanked the TCC and Clark County Sheriff's Office for the use of a speed trailer. Elmer Beard reported on upcoming community events.
- Village of South Charleston – Larry Tillman reported on upcoming community events.
- Bethel Township – no updates to report
- Pleasant Township – no updates to report
- Moorefield Township – no updates to report
- Chamber of Commerce – Horton Hobbs gave an update on economic development. Kent Sherry gave an update on the home building industry.
- Col. William Wolfarth thanked the County Engineer for the work done on the SR794 project.
- Jim Campbell reported on an upcoming community event.
- Chris Moore reported multiple bids have been received for the propane filling station and everything is on schedule for construction to be completed by early February 2014.
- On behalf of the TCC, Elmer Beard extended congratulations to all the officials who were re-elected to their respective terms.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Rick Lohnes, seconded by John Burr to adjourn the meeting.
Vote: Motion approved.

Sincerely,

Elmer M. Beard
Chairman