

GENESEE COUNTY METROPOLITAN ALLIANCE

Regular Meeting Minutes

February 19, 2014

The Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance Committee met at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 19, 2014, in the Harris Auditorium of the Genesee County Administration Building, 1101 Beach Street, Third Floor, Flint, Michigan.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairperson Johnson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. ROLL CALL

Members present and absent were noted as follows:

<u>UNIT REPRESENTED</u>	<u>MEMBERS PRESENT</u>	<u>MEMBERS ABSENT</u>
Genesee County City of Burton		Ellen Ellenburg Vaughn Smith
City of Clio	William Kovl	Eric Wiederhold Duane Mosher (A) David Martin
City of Davison City of Fenton	Patricia Lockwood	Les Bland Dayne Walling Megan Hunter Kay Muhammad (A) Kevin Keane Dennis Bow Matt Telliga
City of Flint		
City of Flushing		
City of Grand Blanc	Ester Galuska	
City of Linden		Susan Soderstrom (A) Ray Culbert Paul Zelenak Colleen Brown Paul Wixson (A)
City of Montrose		

City of Mt. Morris	Dennis Heidenfeldt	Dan Davis Mark Middleton (A)
City of Swartz Creek	John Gilbert Ronald Schultz	
Argentine Township		Robert Cole Denise Graves (A)
Atlas Township	Shirley Kautman-Jones Paulette Johnson	
Clayton Township		Tere Onica (A) Chris Gehringer
Davison Township	Robert Widigan	Rick Caruso (A) Matthew Karr Robert Cotrell Vince Lorraine
Fenton Township	Andy Marko	
Flint Township		Robert Krug (A) Karyn Miller
Flushing Township	David Arceo	Tracey Tucker (A) Rian Birchmeier
Forest Township	Bill Bain	
Gaines Township		Shirley Gage (A) Mary Ann Price Burt Banks Mark Martin (A) Chuck Timmons Kenneth Draper Diane Hyrman (A)
Genesee Township	Patricia Witte	
Grand Blanc Township	Scott Bennett	Marian Michalik
Montrose Township Mt. Morris Township	Jerry Deloney Robert Johnson	Dennis Chinonis Tom Tithof
Mundy Township	Kay Doerr Deidre Zettel	Brian Baxter (A)
Richfield Township Thetford Township Vienna Township		Bill Morey (A) Gerry Masters
Goodrich Village	Doug McAbee	David Cain Randy Taylor (A)

Otisville Village
Otter Lake Village
Lennon Village
Gaines Village

Joan Skias

Sam Stiff
Dave Lobdell
Kathy Volkening (A)
Andrea Dewey
Jeff Wright

Federal Highway Admin
Gen Cty Drain Comm
Gen Cty Road Comm
GCMPC
Mass Trans Authority
Mich Dept of Trans

Derek Bradshaw

Ed Benning
Jay Reithel
Pamela Boyd

Linda Burchell

OTHERS PRESENT: Zach Bradshaw, Mary Ann Ketels, Matt Hoover, Jason Nordberg, Sharon Gregory and Alberta Gunsell.

IV. MINUTES

A. Minutes of the January 15, 2014 Regular Meeting

Chairperson Johnson requested corrections and/or additions to the minutes of the January 15, 2014, regular meeting.

Action Taken: Motion by Mr. Schultz, supported by Ms. Witte, to approve the minutes of the January 15, 2014, regular meeting as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

V. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Mr. Bradshaw introduced his son, Zachery Bradshaw, who was attending the meeting as part of his communication badge for Boy Scouts.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

Dave Arceo stated that he read an article in the newspaper regarding the I-69 corridor. He asked if staff could advise him on how or who to contact in regards to pursuing this topic on getting I-69 listed in the Primary Freight Network. Mr. Nordberg asked if this could be addressed later in the meeting when discussing the Primary Freight Network. Mr. Arceo stated that would be fine.

VII. PUBLIC HEARING

A. FY 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #2

CHAIRPERSON JOHNSON OPENED THE PUBLIC HEARING AT 7:08 p.m.

Chairperson Johnson provided the public an opportunity to comment on the FY 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment #2. Chairperson Johnson repeated this opportunity for comments twice more with no comments at this time.

CHAIRPERSON JOHNSON CLOSED THE PUBLIC HEARING AT 7:09 p.m.

VIII. FINANCES

Ms. Michalik was absent and there was no report given.

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no Committee Reports.

X. OLD BUSINESS

A. Primary Freight Network Comment Period Reminder

Ms. Gregory stated that the deadline for comment on the Primary Freight Network (PFN) was February 15th. At the last Metropolitan Alliance meeting, staff received approval to submit comments regarding the PRN. Comments were submitted before the deadline. All the local entities were encouraged to submit a response regarding I-69 (between Lansing and the Blue Water Bridge) and I-75 (between Flint and Detroit) segments to the PFN. It was also noted that there was a request to send copies of the letters to Congressman Kildee to include with his request. Bill Bain suggested using social media such as Facebook to get the word out and to write letters to your Congressman. Discussion ensued.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

A. FY 2014-2017 Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ)

Ms. Gregory stated that during the initial CMAQ Call for Projects for the development of the FY 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) in February 2013, the Transportation System Management Subcommittee set aside certain amounts of funding as placeholders for transit projects. The MTA is allotted a certain percentage of CMAQ funding based on our local CMAQ policies. These transit projects were to be identified at a later date. The transit projects have now been identified and the requested project amounts add up to the previously-designated CMAQ amounts. The Technical Advisory Committee recommends approval to the Metropolitan Alliance so the following projects can be submitted to MDOT for CMAQ eligibility determination. Discussion ensued regarding shelters at the bus stops.

Action Taken: Motion by Mr. Heidenfeldt, supported by Ms. Witte, to approve the MTA transit projects and to be submitted to MDOT for CMAQ eligibility determination.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B. 2014 Statewide Transportation Asset Management PASER Training

Ms. Gregory stated that the State of Michigan Transportation Asset Management (TSM) Council will begin implementing their Statewide Asset Management Program in February. The program will consist of inventorying the pavement condition of all federal aid roads in the State of Michigan using the PASER Road Rating System. Road rating crews will consist of a MDOT representative, a Region V representative and a County Road Commission Representative. Local road agencies will be able to participate in the surveying of the roads within their boundaries. The Transportation Asset Management Council will reimburse the participating agencies for time spent surveying federal aid roads if they attend training. Dates and places for classroom and webinar training were provided.

C. FY 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #2

Ms. Gregory stated the FY 2014-2017 TIP Amendment #2 changes the limits of one project. The project is listed twice because it is a mix of local and state allocated funding. This amendment meets the financial constraints of the TIP and will have no disproportionately high or adverse impacts to any of the identified Environmental Justice populations in Genesee County. The Technical Advisory Committee recommends approval to the Metropolitan Alliance for the FY 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment #2.

Action Taken: Motion by Mr. Heidenfeldt, supported by Ms. Lockwood, to approve the FY 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment #2 as it meets the financial constraints of the TIP as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

D. MDOT Presentation – Linda Burchell

Linda Burchell from MDOT – TSC Davison did a PowerPoint presentation on MDOT's 2014 projects. A question and answer period was provided.

XII. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Appointment of the Nominating Committee to prepare a slate of Officers for Elections in March

Chairperson Johnson appointed the Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee will prepare a slate of officers for the Election to be held at the March meeting. The Nominating Committee Chairperson is Dave Arceo. If anyone is interested in a being an Officer or Trustee, please contact the Nominating Committee.

XIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Bradshaw stated that GLS Region V submitted a grant for Regional Prosperity – Region VI the first part of February. The grant amount was for \$250,000. Mr.

Bradshaw was notified yesterday that the \$250,000 grant was awarded to GLS Region V on behalf of the Regional Prosperity – Region VI.

Ms. Kautman-Jones introduced Paulette Johnson as the Citizen Representative for Atlas Township. Atlas Township is going to be doing a walking and bicycle study for their area.

Mr. Nordberg stated that the GCMPC 2013 Annual Report is available.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Johnson adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Alberta Gunsell, Secretary
Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission