

GENESEE COUNTY METROPOLITAN ALLIANCE

Regular Meeting Minutes

April 16, 2014

The Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance Committee met at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 16, 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> |
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| Genesee County City of Burton | | Ellen Ellenburg Vaughn Smith |
| City of Clio | William Kovl | Eric Wiederhold Duane Mosher (A) |
| City of Davison City of Fenton | Joan Snyder Patricia Lockwood | Les Blanc Dayne Walling |
| City of Flint | Megan Hunter | Kay Muhammad (A) Kevin Keane Dennis Bow Matt Telliga Ester Galuska Susan Soderstrom (A) Ray Culbert Paul Zelenak Colleen Brown Paul Wixson (A) |
| City of Flushing City of Grand Blanc | | |
| City of Linden | | |
| City of Montrose | | |

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

Christine Durgan

Mass Trans Authority
Mich Dept of Trans

Jay Reithel

Ed Benning

Pamela Boyd
Linda Burchell

OTHERS PRESENT: Jason Nordberg, Sharon Gregory and Alberta Gunsell.

IV. MINUTES

A. Minutes of the March 19, 2014 Regular Meeting

Chairperson Johnson requested corrections and/or additions to the minutes of the March 19, 2014, regular meeting.

Action Taken: Motion by Mr. Cole, supported by Mr. Schultz, to approve the minutes of the March 19, 2014, regular meeting as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

V. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

No Introductions were done at this time.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

No Public Comments at this time.

VII. PUBLIC HEARING

No Public Hearing scheduled for tonight.

VIII. FINANCES

Marian Michalik stated that Metro dues for FY 2014 are paid. Jason Nordberg will check to see when the last time was that secretarial was paid. There may be a request to do this next month. The back balance as of March 31, 2014 was \$9,362.24.

Action Taken: Motion by Mr. Kovi, supported by Mr. Heidenfeldt, to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no Committee Reports.

X. OLD BUSINESS

A. Safety Technical Report

Sharon Gregory stated that the Safety Technical Report has been through TAC and Metro for review and comment in March. No comments were received. In April, FHWA provided staff with comments and those comments have been incorporated into the document. The comments from FHWA were reviewed. The Technical Advisory Committee recommends approval to the Metropolitan Alliance for the Safety Technical Report.

Action Taken: Motion by Mr. Cole, supported by Ms. Michalik to approve the Safety Technical Report as presented with the comments from FHWA incorporated into the document.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B. 2014 PASER Survey of Genesee County

Sharon Gregory stated the PASER system is a visual survey method for evaluating the condition of roads. The dates for surveying Genesee County roads are Monday, July 7, 2014 – Friday, August 1, 2014. The Transportation Asset Management Council will reimburse the participating agencies for time spent surveying federal aid roads. In order to qualify for reimbursement, the council requires that all participants have taken part in a day-long training session. If you are interested in participating in the survey or have any questions, contact Damon Fortney.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Project Applications – TIGER FY 2014

Sharon Gregory stated that the United States Department of Transportation has released a notice of funding availability and request for proposals for the TIGER FY 2014 program. Applications for the TIGER FY 2014 program are due to the Grants.gov website by Monday, April 28, 2014. Staff requested that members of TAC send information regarding any projects that will be submitted for the TIGER grant consideration. Three applications are being considered for submission. The applications are from the Genesee County Road Commission, the Mass Transportation Authority and the City of Flint. The Technical Advisory Committee is recommending support to the Metropolitan Alliance for the Local Transportation Projects to be funded through TIGER FY 2014 by a Resolution.

Action Taken: Motion by Mr. Cole, supported by Mr. Heidenfeldt, to approve supporting three projects for funding through the TIGER FY 2014 grant by a Resolution of Support and to have the Resolution signed by the proper authority.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B. 2014 Local Traffic Counts

Sharon Gregory stated that staff is requesting local units or government in Genesee County to update traffic count information on roads under their jurisdiction. Letters have been mailed with traffic count locations. The traffic counts should be 48-hour counts. The list of locations has been updated so the local units may notice some changes. If the local unit would like to count additional locations that may also be done. GCMPC has traffic counters for rent and arrangements may be made through our office. For any questions or rental information on traffic counts, contact Damon Fortney.

C. Draft 2040 Employment Projections

Sharon Gregory stated that the Long Range Transportation Plan Steering Committee reviewed the draft 2040 Employment Projections and provided staff with comments, which have been incorporated into the draft report. The committee's approval was received for the report to move onto TAC and Metro. Staff is requesting the Metropolitan Alliance to review the draft 2040 Employment Projections and to provide comments to Jacob Maurer by Monday, April 28, 2014. Approval of this report will be requested at the next meeting. Discussion ensued.

D. MDOT HPMS Classification Counts

Sharon Gregory stated to meet requirements of the Highway Performance Monitoring System (HPMS), MDOT is required to collect classification counts on select local road segments as a part of the Non-Trunkline Federal Aid Road Program. MDOT will be contacting local road agencies to notify them of when road segments in their jurisdictions will be done. Staff will provide more information as it becomes available. Any questions can be directed to Melissa Carswell of MDOT.

XII. OTHER BUSINESS

A. FY 2015 General Program Accounts

Sharon Gregory stated that starting in 2015 Genesee County will have the option of using General Program Accounts (GPAs) in our Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). This would be grouping projects in one account, instead of each project listed as a separate line item. GPAs provide more local flexibility for project changes and should decrease the number of amendments each year. This may require a revision to our TIP guidelines. GPA guidelines were reviewed.

XIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no Announcements.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Johnson adjourned the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

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