

**GENESEE COUNTY METROPOLITAN ALLIANCE**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**January 18, 2017**

The Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance Committee met at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 18, 2017, in the Harris Auditorium of the Genesee County Administration Building, 1101 Beach Street, Third Floor, Flint, Michigan.

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Johnson was unable to attend the meeting. Treasurer Marian Michalik acted as Chairperson for this meeting.

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

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Acting Chairperson Michalik led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**III. ROLL CALL**

Members present and absent were noted as follows:

<b><u>UNIT REPRESENTED</u></b>	<b><u>MEMBERS PRESENT</u></b>	<b><u>MEMBERS ABSENT</u></b>
Genesee County City of Burton		Thomas Martinbianco Vaughn Smith Eric Wiederhold
City of Clio	Duane Mosher	
City of Davison City of Fenton		Reuben Garcia Joan Snyder Patricia Lockwood
City of Flint City of Flushing	George Gray	
City of Grand Blanc	Chris Douglas Esther Galuszka	Kevin Keane
City of Linden		
City of Montrose	Mark Richard	

City of Mt. Morris	Duane Dunckel	Dan Davis
City of Swartz Creek	John Gilbert Robert Plumb	
Argentine Township		James Florence Brian Saad Jane Lefler Denise Graves
Atlas Township	Katie Vick Paulette Johnson	
Clayton Township	Shelley Thompson Robert Widigan	Tere Onica
Davison Township		Chris Gehringer Matthew Karr
Fenton Township	Rhonda Clark Andrew Marko	Robert Kesler
Flint Township		Robert Krug Karyn Miller
Flushing Township	John Whiteside	Tracey Tucker
Forest Township	Jenifer Almassy Bill Bain	Frederick Thorsby Mark Martin Linda Smoke Lee Purdy Kenneth Draper Diane Hyrman
Gaines Township		
Genesee Township	Tod Sorensen Marian Michalik	
Grand Blanc Township		Al Mansour Monica Shapiro
Montrose Township	Tom Tithof	Mark Emmendorfer
Mt. Morris Township	Jacky King	Robert Johnson Brian Baxter
Mundy Township	Kay Doerr Matt Bach	
Richfield Township		Dan Morey Gerry Masters Gary Stevens
Thetford Township		
Vienna Township	David Cain	Kerry Paulson

Goodrich Village

Mark Baldwin  
Doug McAbee

Otisville Village  
Otter Lake Village  
Lennon Village  
Gaines Village

Raymond Benson

Melissa Neal  
Valerie Delauter  
Emily Alexander  
Andrea Dewey  
Jeff Wright

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

Derek Bradshaw  
Ed Benning

Mary Ann Ketels

Mich Dept of Trans

Jay Reithel  
Pamela Boyd  
Larry Doyle  
Ryan Doyle

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Commissioner David Martin, Jason Nordberg, Sharon Gregory, Debby Compton.

**IV. Minutes**

**\*\*\*A. Minutes of the November 16, 2016 Regular Meeting**

**Motion: Action:** Approved, **moved by** Bill Bain, **seconded by** Robert Widigan, to approve the minutes of the November 16, 2016 regular meeting as presented.

Motion passed unanimously.

**V. Introduction of Guests**

9<sup>th</sup> District Genesee County Commissioner David Martin introduced himself to the committee.

**VI. Public Comment**

It was mentioned that there is positive feedback being heard about the pavement markings on the highway at the I-75 and US-23 split.

**VII. Public Hearing**

**A. FY 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #2**

ACTING CHAIRPERSON MICHALIK OPENED THE PUBLIC HEARING AT 7:02 P.M.

Acting Chairperson Michalik provided the public an opportunity to comment on the FY 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment

#2. Acting Chairperson Michalik repeated this opportunity for comments twice more with no comments at this time.

ACTING CHAIRPERSON MICHALIK CLOSED THE PUBLIC HEARING AT 7:04 pm

**VIII. Finances**

Marian Michalik stated that all but three (3) Local Units of Government have paid their 2017 Metropolitan Alliance dues. They are the City of Flint, City of Grand Blanc and City of Linden. Second notices went out to them on January 12, 2017. Chris Douglas, City of Grand Blanc, stated that the City of Grand Blanc just approved payment of the Metropolitan Alliance dues so we should be receiving the check soon.

Marian Michalik stated that the total deposits in the bank account were \$3,400.09 and total withdrawals were \$1.00. The ending balance as of December 31, 2016 is \$3,670.06.

**Motion: Action:** Approved, **moved by** Robert Widigan, **seconded by** Dave Cain, to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

**IX. Committee Reports**

There were no Committee Reports at this time.

**X. Old Business**

**A. GLS Region V Traffic Safety Plan Update**

Sharon Gregory stated that meetings were held throughout 2016 with stakeholders to discuss safety issues. The final draft of the plan is nearly complete. Staff has requested some revisions so once the plan is complete a copy will be provided to this committee. If you have any questions you can contact Damon at the GCMPC office. Discussion ensued.

**B. MPO Coordination Rulemaking Update**

Jason Nordberg stated that in December the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) published the final rulemaking regarding Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Coordination and Planning Area Reform. The majority of the requirements stayed the same from the proposed rulemaking, however, there are two (2) major differences: The first change pushes back MPO implementation until 2024 or two (2) years after the Census establishes the new urbanized area boundaries as adjusted by the 2020 Census. The second major change is that FHWA and FTA inserted regulatory language giving governors and MPOs an opportunity to request permanent exceptions from the requirement that there be only one (1) metropolitan transportation plan, one (1) TIP, and one (1) set of performance targets for an individual Urbanized Area and its planning area, regardless of the size or complexity of that area, and regardless of the number of MPOs in that planning area. Staff will keep a close watch on this issue and will be working with the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG), our

neighboring MPO that shares a small portion of our urbanized area, to make sure our entire region is served and compliant with federal transportation regulations.

**XI. New Business**

**A. Michigan's 21<sup>st</sup> Century Infrastructure Commission Report**

Sharon Gregory stated that in November the Michigan 21<sup>st</sup> Century Infrastructure published their long-term infrastructure strategy to address Michigan's needs for the next 30-50 years in the areas of transportation, water, sewer, storm water, wastewater treatment and drainage, energy, and communications. The report addresses each issue individually, and identifies current deficiencies and proposed actions needed in the future. To begin implementation of this strategy, the State of Michigan will establish a regional infrastructure pilot in 2017 to identify existing infrastructure data and gaps, determine an appropriate comprehensive database system to house this data, and begin to coordinate amongst asset management data and planning across infrastructure sectors. Staff will closely monitor this initiative as it progresses. If you have any questions you can contact Jacob Maurer at the GCMPC office. Discussion ensued.

**\*\*\*B. FY 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #2**

**Motion: Action:** Approved, **moved by** Robert Widigan, **seconded by** Dave Cain, to approve the FY 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #2.

Motion passed unanimously.

**XII. Other Business**

**A. 2017 Walkability Action Institute Project Update**

Sharon Gregory stated that GCMPC was selected as one (1) of only ten (10) MPO regions nationally to participate in the 2017 Walkability Action Institute. The purpose of this project is to provide MPO regional teams with skill-building instruction to increase walking and walkability. Discussion ensued.

**XIII. Announcements**

Marian Michalik stated that in February we start collecting names for officers and trustees. A committee will be set up to run the election for Chair, Vice-Chair, Treasurer and four (4) Trustees.

Bill Bain and Robert Widigan volunteered for the election committee.

**XIV. Adjournment**

Acting Chairperson Michalik adjourned the meeting at 7:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
Debby Compton, Secretary  
Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission