

# GENESEE COUNTY METROPOLITAN ALLIANCE

## Regular Meeting Minutes

October 16, 2019

The Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance Committee met at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 16, 2019, 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 7:01 p.m.

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairperson Johnson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**III. ROLL CALL**

Members present and absent were noted as follows:

**UNIT REPRESENTED**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Genesee County  
City of Burton

City of Clio

City of Davison  
City of Fenton  
City of Flint

City of Flushing

City of Grand Blanc

City of Linden

City of Montrose  
City of Mt. Morris  
City of Swartz Creek

George Gray

Robert Plumb

Commissioner Ted Henry  
Thomas Martinbianco  
Danny Wells  
Duane Mosher  
Eric Wiederhold  
Reuben Garcia  
Leigh LaForest  
Patricia Lockwood  
Mayor Karen Weaver  
Robert Bincsik  
Betty Wideman

Chris Douglas  
Mayor Susan Soderstrom  
Ray Culbert  
Paul Zelenak  
Mark Richard  
William Daniels  
John Gilbert

|                      |                  |   |
|----------------------|------------------|---|
| Argentine Township   | Dennis Cramer    | Brian Saad<br>Leslie Renckly  |
| Atlas Township       | Paulette Johnson |   |
| Clayton Township     |                  | Tere Onica<br>Shelley Thompson<br>Chris Gehringer<br>Matthew Karr<br>Rhonda Clark<br>Vince Lorraine |
| Davison Township     |                  |   |
| Fenton Township      | Andrew Marko     |   |
| Flint Township       |                  | Robert Kesler<br>Karyn Miller   |
|                      | John Whiteside   |   |
| Flushing Township    |                  | Tracey Tucker<br>Jenifer Almassy  |
|                      | Bill Bain        |   |
| Forest Township      |                  | Fredrick Thorsby<br>Mary Ann Price  |
| Gaines Township      | Lee Purdy        |   |
|                      |                  | Matt Davis<br>Diane Hyrman  |
| Genesee Township     | Tod Sorensen     |   |
| Grand Blanc Township | Al Mansour       | Cheryl Woughter   |
| Montrose Township    |                  | Monica Shapiro<br>Tom Tithof<br>Mark Emmendorfer<br>Michael Dunklee                                 |
| Mt. Morris Township  | Robert Johnson   |   |
| Mundy Township       |                  | Brian Baxter<br>Kay Doerr<br>Mark Gorton  |
|                      | Dan Morey        |   |
| Richfield Township   |                  | Gerry Masters<br>Gary Stevens<br>Mike LaPointe<br>Pam Faris<br>Kerry Paulson<br>Doug McAbee         |
| Theftord Township    |                  |   |
| Vienna Township      |                  |   |
| Goodrich Village     |                  |   |
|                      | Angie Adamec     |   |
| Otisville Village    |                  | Tim Light<br>Joan Skias   |
| Otter Lake Village   |                  |   |

Lennon Village  
Gaines Village

Emily Alexander  
Valerie Delauter  
Melissa Neal  
Andrea Dewey  
Aaron Dawson  
Jeff Wright

Federal Highway Admin

Gen Cty Drain Comm  
Gen Cty Road Comm  
GCMPC

Alex Patsy  
Derek Bradshaw

Mass Trans Authority

Shawnice Dorsey

Ed Benning

Mich Dept of Trans

Jay Reithel

Anita Boughner

Steven Katenhus  
Trevor Block

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Robert Slattery, Royal Brooks, Willie Turner, Veronica Dowdell, Tamara H, Marcus Garvey, Jason Nordberg, Sharon Gregory, and Debby Compton.

**IV. Minutes**

**\*\*\*A. Minutes of the September 18, 2019 Regular Meeting**

**Motion: Action:** Approve, **moved by** Robert Plumb, **supported by** John Whiteside, to approve the minutes of the September 18, 2019 regular meeting as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

**V. Introduction of Guests**

Royal Brooks, Flint Township.  
Bob Slattery, City of Burton.  
Willie Turner.

**VI. Public Comment**

Royal Brooks of Flint Township advised that he is concerned about Amendment #2 and the Traffic Signal Modification. Mr. Brooks stated that Genesee County is in a position to take advantage of the Autonomous Vehicle Program and referenced the grant that Detroit was just awarded from the federal government. He suggested that some of the award that went to Detroit could have come to Flint.

**VII. Public Hearing**

None

**VIII. Finances**

**A. FY 2020 Dues for Local Units and to Pay Secretarial**

Tod Sorensen reviewed the financial report ending 9/30/19. After withdrawing the FY 2019 secretarial costs the balance is \$335.52.

Mr. Sorensen stated that prior to this meeting the officers and trustees met to discuss FY 2020 dues for local units. The officers recommend continuing the \$150.00 dues assessment for the Local Units, which will total \$4,650.00. Once all dues are collected, \$4,350.00 will be transferred for the FY 2020 secretarial costs.

**Motion: Action:** Approve, **moved by** Paulette Johnson, **supported by** John Whiteside, to approve the Financial Report as presented and to approve the recommendation of the offices for FY 2020 dues for local units to remain at \$150.00 and to pay secretarial cost of \$4,350.00 once dues are collected.

Motion carried unanimously.

**IX. Committee Reports**

None

**X. Old Business**

**A. National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Information Session**

Sharon Gregory advised that on Tuesday, October 29<sup>th</sup> the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) will be here to do a short presentation on the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements for the TIP projects and then it will be a question and answer session. Local road agencies and their engineers are invited to attend. The meeting has been moved from the GCMPC conference room to the Harris Auditorium because staff has received a good response and there are about thirty people attending. This is to give the people with TIP projects an opportunity to ask questions about the extra NEPA documentation. MDOT indicated that even simple paving projects could have an extra two months added to their planning schedule.

**B. Roundabout Implementation Study for Genesee County Intersections Update**

Sharon Gregory stated that Rowe Professional Engineering Services was awarded the bid to do the Roundabout Implementation Study. At this time staff is waiting for a notice to proceed from MDOT. Once staff receives the notice to proceed, the Roundabout Study will begin. Discussion ensued.

**XI. New Business**

**A. 2020 Safety Performance Measure Targets**

Sharon Gregory advised that the State of Michigan has provided their 2020 Safety Performance Measure Targets. GCMPC now has six months to adopt the states targets or set its own. Ms. Gregory reviewed the targets with the committee. Staff will be reviewing local safety crash data and looking at MDOT's targets and then coming back to this committee next month with a recommendation.

**\*\*\*B. FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #2**

Sharon Gregory advised that this is amendment #2 to the new TIP. It is mostly MDOT projects and the ones that are being added are mostly MDOT's and the new funding is for MTA. There are a couple of changes and the deletions are not really deletions, those projects are just getting different numbers in Jobnet. This is part of the cleanup from the old TIP to the new TIP. 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 (EJ) populations in Genesee County. The projects that are being amended are eligible for the funding programmed and meet the intended state (including State TEDF Category C) and federal goals and objectives identified for the funding. At this time the Technical Advisory Committee is recommending endorsement of Amendment #2 to the FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program to the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance. Discussion ensued.

**Motion: Action:** Approve, **moved by** Dennis Cramer, **supported by** George Gray, to approve the FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #2 as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

**XII. Other Business**

None

**XIII. Announcements**

Jason Nordberg announced that the second meeting on Improving Michigan's Infrastructure Asset Management Summit is being held on Friday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at the Lapeer Country Club. Anyone interested can let Debby know tonight. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. and includes breakfast. The session will be 9:00 a. m. until 11:30 a.m.

Derek Bradshaw thanked everyone for getting the word out about the Household Hazardous Waste events. The last event for this year was held on Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup> at Clio High School. There were about 650 vehicles that attended the event with very little to no wait time. Staff is planning to post FY 2020 event dates in February. Staff is looking into having a permanent drop off location.

Derek Bradshaw mentioned that the Genesee County Board of Commissioners are considering an ordinance to allow municipalities and townships to allow Off-Road Vehicles (ORV's) on the shoulders and sides of select public roads. The Genesee County Commissioners will first consult with the Genesee County Road Commission and then there will be a public hearing. Discussion ensued.

Dennis Cramer reminded the committee that on October 24<sup>th</sup> in Southfield there is a training seminar regarding the municipality 2020 census.

**XIV. Adjournment**

Chairperson Johnson adjourned the meeting at 7:27p.m.

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