

GENESEE COUNTY METROPOLITAN ALLIANCE
Regular Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, January 22, 2025, 6:00 p.m.

MINUTES

The Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance Committee met at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 22, 2025, in the Human Resources Training Room (G51) of the Genesee County Administration Building.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Johnson called the meeting to order 6:00 p.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairperson Johnson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. ROLL CALL

Members present and absent were noted as follows:

UNIT REPRESENTED

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

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ben Lindstrom

Patricia Lockwood

Pamela Howd

Mark Richard

La'Shaya Darisaw

John Gilbert

Nate Henry

MEMBERS ABSENT

Dr. Beverly Brown

Martin L. Cousineau

Greg Hull

Christina Hickson

Duane Mosher

Margaret (Peggy) Manser

Kirk Todd

Eric Daly

Sean Sage

Mayor Sheldon Neeley

Rodney McGaha

Joseph Karlichek

Chris Douglas

Don Becker

John Creasey

Tom Hicks

Jerry Link

John Vance

Charles Campbell

Argentine Township	Robert (Bob) Cole	Jason Kosofsky Ed Renckly
Atlas Township	Toni Yaklin Paulette Johnson	
Clayton Township Davison Township Fenton Township		Jim Busch Shelley Thompson Travis Howell William Clark Andrew Marko Robert Kesler Karyn Miller
Flint Township	John Whiteside	
Flushing Township Forest Township Gaines Township		Tracey Tucker Bill Bain Mary Ann Price Rocky Fowler Donna Baynai Robert Henderson Andrew Sorensen Joel Feick
Genesee Township Grand Blanc Township	Joanie Towarnicky	
Montrose Township		Coetta Adams Steven Schlight Michele Loper
Mt. Morris Township	Robert Johnson	
Mundy Township		Dewayn Allen Kimberly Jimenez Michael Simon Debra Ridley Leonard Marden Connie Chirich Joseph Madore Rachel Stanke Gregg Bryan
Richfield Township		
Thetford Township		
Vienna Township	Richard Johnson	
Gaines Village Goodrich Village		Sue Thomas Taunya Marek Shannon McCafferty Angie Adamec Chris Caverly
Lennon Village Otisville Village Otter Lake Village		
Federal Highway Admin Gen City Drain Comm Gen City Road Comm	Dylan Campbell	Terry Gill David Dorr Christina Nicholaides Jeff Wright Alex Patsy

GCMPC

Mass Trans Authority

Mich Dept of Trans

Shawnice Dorsey
David Savoie

Paige DeHate

Derek Bradshaw
Christine Durgan
Ed Benning

Jay Reithel
Brian C. Ulman
Trevor Vincke

OTHERS PRESENT: Donald Bancroft, Katie Curnow, Cody Roblyer, McKenna Dutkiewicz, and Theresa LeFavour

*****IV. MINUTES OF THE December 18th, 2024 MEETING**

Motion: Action: Approve, **Moved by** Robert Cole, **Supported by** Patricia Lockwood, to approve the minutes of the December 18th, 2024 meeting as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

V. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

New and existing members introduced themselves.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

NONE

VII. PUBLIC HEARING

A. Genesee County 2045 LRTP Reaffirmation Hearing

Chairperson Johnson opened the public hearing at 6:03 p.m. Mr. Cody Roblyer provided an overview for the Genesee County 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Reaffirmation which extends the existing LRTP set to expire in May, 2025. This reaffirmation will extend the LRTP to May, 2026.

Chairperson Johnson announced those wanting to provide comment during the public hearing may do so at this time.

Ms. Joanie Towarnicky inquired if the complete streets could be made more prominent in the LRTP. Mr. Roblyer responded staff could involve this in the process.

Chairperson Johnson closed the public hearing at 6:05 p.m.

VIII. FINANCES

NONE

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS

NONE

X. OLD BUSINESS

NONE

XI. NEW BUSINESS

*****A. FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #21**

Ms. McKenna Dutkiewicz stated the TIP Amendment #21 is proposing to change two projects to the FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program. The first project is Embury Rd., which required a technical correction to the project. The second project is a Genesee County Road Commission (GCRC) project on Van Slyke Rd. GCRC received new engineer estimates. The construction budget increased from \$285,084 to \$423,197. GCRC has updated their local contribution to cover the increase in cost.

Discussion ensued.

Motion: Action: Approve, **Moved by** Robert Cole, **Supported by** John Whiteside, to approve the FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #21.
Motion carried unanimously.

B. Genesee County 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Reaffirmation

Mr. Roblyer stated that staff is in the process of developing 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan as part of the county Master Plan process. The current 2045 LRTP expires in May of 2025 however we are required to have an LRTP in place at all times. The reaffirmation will extend the current LRTP to May of 2026. This will allow time for all required elements to be included in the new plan. The 2050 LRTP is anticipated to be completed by May, 2026.

Motion: Action: Approve, **Moved by** Mark Richard, **Supported by** Pamela Howd, to approve the Genesee County 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Reaffirmation.
Motion carried unanimously.

C. FY 2024 Annual Status Report of TIP Projects

Ms. Dutkiewicz stated the Genesee County Planning Commission has published the 2024 annual listing of Transportation Improvement Program projects. This report is part of the federal requirements for TIP. There was an approximate \$65 million investment into the Genesee County transportation network through the TIP. This includes \$11.6 million in Bridge Work, \$161,705 in Commuter Services, \$0 in Non-Motorized Facilities, \$12.4 million in Road Restoration/Resurfacing, \$1.4 million in Safety, \$34.5 million in Transit Equipment, Facilities, and Services, and \$4.5 million in other improvements. Also, at the end of the report are projects which are not included in the TIP but increased the overall investment in Genesee County. There is about \$19 million in projects which were part of either the federal aid buy-out program or had state funding attached but not part of the TIP.

D. Genesee County Master Plan 2025 update

Mr. Robyler stated staff is in the process of updating the Genesee County Master Plan. This document will serve as the 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) for our Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and will meet all federal requirements. This will also include other planning documents such as environmental programs and community development programs. Staff is currently updating technical reports which will be rolled out to the appropriate committees. Public involvement, interviewing key agencies, and a public survey have taken place. The information collected will be used to establish the visions and actions for the Master Plan update.

E. 2025 Michigan Transportation Asset Management Council (TAMC) PASER Training

Ms. Dutkiewicz stated that Michigan Transportation Asset Management Council (TAMC) has announced their PASER Program training dates and times. Through this program, the pavement condition of all federal aid roads in the State of Michigan are surveyed using the PASER Road Rating System. This program provides valuable information about the conditions of roads in communities for better asset management. This is also a key factor when reviewing TIP projects.

Comments were made that anyone can take the training and that the training is very informative.

F. CMAQ Interim Guidance

Ms. Dutkiewicz stated that on October 28, 2024, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) released the 2024 Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) interim guidance as revised by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL). This new guidance includes new eligibility for micromobility which refers to fleets of micromobility devices such as scooters or bikes that are available for the public to be shared between multiple users. This expands what is allowed to be done with funding.

G. Local Agency Advance Construction Opportunity

Ms. Dutkiewicz stated that MDOT released new guidance for their advance construction through local agencies. Agencies are now allowed to use August redistribution funds to cover their part of what they would have to put forward in order to receive reimbursement. This is a great benefit to smaller agencies that utilize the advance construct program.

XII. OTHER BUSINESS

NONE

XIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Mark Richard stated that Ms. Dutkiewicz did training for the small cities and did a really good job.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Johnson adjourned the meeting at 6:22 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Theresa LeFavour, Secretary

Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission