

GENESEE COUNTY METROPOLITAN ALLIANCE
Regular Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, June 16, 2021, 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES

The Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance Committee met at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 16, 2021, in a Zoom meeting conference call format due to Coronavirus concerns.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Members present and absent were noted as follows:

<u>UNIT REPRESENTED</u>	<u>MEMBERS PRESENT</u>	<u>MEMBERS ABSENT</u>
Genesee County		Commissioner Meredith Davis Commissioner Debra Newman
City of Burton		Danny Wells
City of Clio		Gregory Fenner Duane Mosher Eric Wiederhold Bonnie Bare Mayor Tim Bishop
City of Davison		
City of Fenton	Patricia Lockwood (City of Fenton, Genesee County)	
City of Flint		Sean Sage Mayor Sheldon Neeley John Daly
City of Flushing	Mark Adas (Grand Blanc, Genesee County)	
City of Grand Blanc		Brooke Good Tony Nowiski Chris Douglas Mayor Susan Soderstrom Don Becker Ray Culbert Ellen Glass
City of Linden		
City of Montrose	Mark Richard (City of Montrose, Genesee County)	
City of Mt. Morris		Dennis Heidenfeldt
City of Swartz Creek	John Gilbert (City of Swartz Creek, Genesee County) Robert Plumb (City of Swartz Creek, Genesee County)	
Argentine Township		Nate Henry Brian Saad Leslie Renckly Shirley Kautman-Jones
Atlas Township		

Clayton Township	Shelley Thompson (Clayton Twp, Genesee County)	Paulette Johnson Katie Vick
Davison Township	Travis Howell (Davison Twp, Genesee County)	Tom Spillane Matthew Karr
Fenton Township		Kade Katrak Andrew Marko Robert Kesler Karyn Miller
Flint Township	John Whiteside (St. Clair County, Michigan)	
Flushing Township		Bill Bain Frederick Thorsby Mary Ann Price Rocky Fowler Lee Purdy Diane Hyrman
Forest Township Gaines Township		
Genesee Township	Tod Sorensen (Genesee Twp, Genesee County)	
Grand Blanc Township	Monica Shapiro (Grand Blanc Twp, Genesee County)	Robin Ackerman Joel Feick
Montrose Township		Tom Tithof Mark Emmendorfer Michele Loper
Mt. Morris Township	Robert Johnson (City of Flint, Genesee County)	
Mundy Township	Kimberly Jimenez (Mundy Twp, Genesee County)	Elmer Wilson
Richfield Township	Gerry Masters (Richfield Twp, Genesee County)	Shane Towne Debra Ridley
Thetford Township		
Vienna Township Goodrich Village	Angie Adamec (Goodrich, Genesee County)	Pam Faris Sherry Moore
Otisville Village Otter Lake Village Lennon Village Gaines Village		Melissa Schluentz Joan Skias
Federal Highway Admin		Samuel Stiff Bruce Ferris Valerie Delauty Andrea Dewey Aaron Dawson

Gen Cty Drain Comm		Jeff Wright
Gen Cty Road Comm	Alex Patsy (City of Flushing, Genesee County)	
GCMPC	Derek Bradshaw (Atlas Twp, Genesee County)	
Mass Trans Authority	Shawnice Dorsey (City of Flint, Genesee County)	Ed Benning
Mich Dept of Trans	Jay Reithel (Saginaw Twp, Saginaw County)	Anita Boughner
		Steven Katenhus Trevor Block Carissa McQuiston

OTHERS PRESENT: Jason Nordberg, Sharon Gregory, and Nichole Odette.

III. MINUTES OF THE MAY 19, 2021 REGULAR MEETING

Motion: Action: Approve, **Moved by** Gerald Masters, **Supported by** Patricia Lockwood, to approve the minutes of the May 19, 2021 regular meeting as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

A. Genesee County Roundabout Implementation Study Update

Sharon Gregory stated that Rowe Engineering is following the schedule closely and the Study is on track for completion in August. Rowe will present a draft report to stakeholders for review prior to the stakeholder meeting scheduled for June 24th. The draft report will include all data collected regarding each of the 14 intersections, as well as operational analysis, future build/no build conditions, links to aerial drone videos, and concept drawings of the proposed roundabouts. Discussion ensued.

B. Genesee County Road Commission Update

Alex Patsy provided an update on the projects included in the Road Commission's 2021 Road Improvement Program, which total \$36,595,000. Federal-aid projects total \$10,368,000 and include roadway resurfacing, rehabilitation and/or reconstruction, bridge projects, signal projects, and trailway projects. Primary road projects total \$17,900,000 and will involve hot mix asphalt resurfacing, pavement repair, chip and fog sealing, bridge reconstruction, large culvert replacement, drainage structures, and the S. Dort Highway construction. Special assessment district roadway projects total \$4,800,000. Local roadway allocation projects total \$8,327,000 and range from local large culvert repairs to aggregate resurfacing.

C. PASER Data Collection Update

Sharon Gregory stated that staff will be working in two-person teams with the Road Commission to collect data on our county, city, and village roads, except for the City of Flint, Flushing, and Burton. PASER collection will take place in July. Please contact Alicia Williams with any questions regarding the PASER collection.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. FY 2022 Transportation Improvement Program

Sharon Gregory stated that Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 will start on October 1st. This summer staff will begin working with all road and transit agencies that have FY 2022 TIP projects to ensure that all projects are moving forward in a timely manner. Obligational authority ran out in May this year, which is the earliest that staff can recall. Agencies should follow the FY 2022 Local Agency Programs (LAP) project schedule; however, they should aim for early April as the deadline to get their projects obligated. Contact Alicia Williams with questions regarding the FY 2022 TIP.

B. FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program

Sharon Gregory explained that the FY 2023-2026 TIP Call for Projects will take place this fall. The Transportation System Management Subcommittee (TSM) will begin meeting in late summer to review the project applications, scoring sheets, and policy and procedures for the upcoming Call for Projects. Now is a good time for local road agencies to start thinking about what projects they will be submitting this fall and review the current TIP Policies and Procedures. For the current TIP, a new funding category for PASER 5 roads was added with the intention of preserving one of our largest categories of road conditions. Please provide staff with comments on how you think this new category worked out, or any comments regarding the TIP Policies and Procedures. Staff is monitoring the Transportation Reauthorization legislation and the FAST Act that will expire in September.

*****C. FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program Phase Delay Acknowledgement**

Sharon Gregory explained that the Federal Highway Administration has requested that MPOs formally acknowledge all projects moving out of the current TIP cycle that will be added back in during the next TIP cycle. This action is considered a Phase Delay Acknowledgement. Three (3) MDOT trunkline projects have been submitted for a Phase Delay. These projects will be removed from the current TIP and rescheduled for year 2025 of the upcoming TIP. At this time the Technical Advisory Committee is providing a formal recommendation to the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance to acknowledge the three MDOT trunkline projects moving out of the FY 2020-2023 TIP and will be added into the FY 2023-2026 TIP at a later date.

Motion: Action: Approve, **Moved by** Robert Plumb, **Supported by** John Gilbert, to approve the acknowledgement of the three MDOT projects moving out of the FY 2020-2023 TIP that will be added into the FY 2023-2026 TIP at later date.

Motion carried unanimously.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

None

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pat Lockwood stated that the new roundabout in Fenton is the best thing that has happened to alleviate traffic congestion on Torrey Road and North Road. It is a great example of how to correctly design a roundabout.

Mark Richard asked if meetings would be held in July and August. Jason Nordberg explained that staff does not anticipate that the July and August meetings will be necessary; however, they are kept on the calendar in case there are action items. Cancellations will be sent out a week prior to the meeting. The County is preparing to lift the Emergency Orders related to Covid-19, so the next meeting will most likely be an in-person meeting.

Derek Bradshaw stated that Jason, Sharon, and Jacob are unsung heroes that work hard all year hounding the local units to spend their funding and reminding them of deadlines. Thank you to Jason and his team for their hard work and continued persistence to secure transportation funding for Genesee County.

Monica Shapiro asked who had replaced Jacob Maurer. Jason Nordberg stated the position has not been filled yet. If there are any questions, please contact Jason or Sharon.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Johnson adjourned the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Nichole Odette, Program Services Specialist
Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission