



# La Crosse Area Planning Committee

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## Minutes of LAPC Meeting, May 20, 2009

**Minutes of the meeting of the La Crosse Area Planning Committee** held on Wednesday, May 20, 2009 at 4:30 p.m. at the La Crosse County Administrative Center, Room 3220, 400 4<sup>th</sup> St N, La Crosse.

**Members Present:** Nancy Proctor, Village of Holmen; Dennis Manthei, Village of West Salem; Mike Giese, City of Onalaska; Matt Harter, City of La Crosse; Lynnetta Kopp, Town of Shelby; Scott Johnson, Town of Campbell; Dave Paudler, Town of Onalaska; Mike Poellinger, City of La Crescent; Linda Seidel, Town of Medary; Steve Doyle, La Crosse County. **Others Present:** John Boland, Arun Rao, Andrea Finch, Jason Gilman, David Jolicoeur, Matt Gallager, Tom Faella, and Jackie Eastwood.

**Call to Order:** Mike Poellinger called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

**1) Approval of Minutes of the April 15, 2009 LAPC Meeting:**

*Dennis Manthei motioned to approve the minutes of the April 15, 2009 meeting. Nancy Proctor seconded. All were in favor.*

**2) Public Comment:**

None.

**3) Welcome New Policy Board Members:**

Mike Poellinger welcomed the new board members.

**4) Amendment of Article IV – “Officers” of the Bylaws of LAPC:**

Steve Doyle introduced an amendment to the bylaws restricting successive terms for the Policy Board chairman. He stated that rotating the chairmanship would support the collaborative nature of the LAPC. Because any changes to the bylaws must be introduced at the meeting prior to the adoption of the change, this matter will be held over for a vote until the next meeting in July.

**5) Selection of Chairman and Vice-Chairman for 2009 – 2011:**

*Scott Johnson nominated Lynnetta Kopp as chairman of the LAPC. Mike Giese seconded. All were in favor.*

*Dave Paudler nominated Mike Poellinger as vice-chairman of the LAPC. Nancy Proctor seconded. All were in favor.*

**6) Prioritizing Round 2 Wisconsin ARRA (“Stimulus”) Transportation Enhancement applications:**

Tom Faella stated that only three of the eight enhancement applications and one of the two STP-U applications were deemed eligible by the Wisconsin DOT. The BPAC prioritized the three enhancement projects on Monday, May 18, with the USH 53/Rose St sidewalk installation project ranked first, the STH 35 sidepath reconstruction project ranked second, and the International Business Park sidewalk installation project ranked third. The BPAC ranks projects using a set of criteria adopted to advance the goals and objectives of the LAPC and the planning factors established in federal transportation law. The City of La Crosse ranked them slightly differently with the STH 35 project as number 1 and the USH 53 project as number 2.

Discussion ensued. Matt Gallager, City of La Crosse Traffic Engineer, agreed that the City’s priority for the STH 35 project was based on it being an older project and that the City is not opposed to the BPAC’s ranking.

*Mike Poellinger motioned to approve the ranking recommended by the BPAC. Scott Johnson seconded. All were in favor.*

**7) Electronic Distribution of LAPC agenda, minutes, and support documents:**

Nine of the 10 Policy Board members prefer to receive their materials electronically for future meetings. Exceptions will occur with TIP project lists and other large documents.

**8) Overview of LAPC Roles and Responsibilities and Major Projects in 2009 and 2010:**

Tom Faella gave an overview of LAPC roles and responsibilities, staff activities, and current plans and projects.

**9) Other business; Adjourn, Next meeting to be announced:**

*Mike Poellinger motioned to adjourn at 5:35 p.m. Dennis Manthei seconded. All were in favor.*