



La Crosse Area Planning Committee

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Minutes of LAPC Meeting, March 17, 2010

Minutes of the meeting of the La Crosse Area Planning Committee held on Wednesday, March 17, 2010 at 4:30 p.m. in Room 3220 of the La Crosse County Administrative Center, 400 4th St N, La Crosse.

Members Present: Lynnetta Kopp, Town of Shelby; Marc Schultz, Town of Onalaska Alternate; Charles Spiker, La Crosse County Alternate; Nancy Proctor, Village of Holmen; Mike Giese, City of Onalaska; Dennis Manthei, Village of West Salem; Matt Harter, City of La Crosse; Scott Johnson, Town of Campbell; Linda Seidel, Town of Medary. **Members Absent:** Mike Poellinger, City of La Crescent. **Members Excused:** Dave Paudler, Town of Onalaska; Steve Doyle, La Crosse County. **Others Present:** John Boland, Paul Wydeven, Jason Gilman, Jarrod Holter, Bev Mach, Ryan Gaug, Dennis Egan, Dale Hexom, Mark Johnson, Steven Kopp, Tom Faella, and Jackie Eastwood.

Call to Order: Lynnetta Kopp called the meeting to order at 4:42 p.m.

1) Approval of Minutes of the January 20, 2010 LAPC Meeting:

Mike Giese motioned to approve the minutes of the January 20, 2010 meeting. Nancy Proctor seconded. All were in favor.

2) Public comment relative to agenda items, with a 5-minute time limit per comment:

None.

3) Initiation of the 2010 Metropolitan Transportation Plan update:

Tom Faella gave an overview of the schedule and tasks for the update of the 2030 Metropolitan Transportation Plan. This will be an interim plan, without major demographic and land use/transportation scenario updates since new data from the Census will not be available until 2012. The update will include incorporating new goals and objectives (adopted by the TAC), incorporating plans completed since 2005 (Transit Development Plan, MTP Supplement, Regional Bicycle Plan), updating the performance measures, updating the Coulee Connections action plan, and establishing the scope of the "future of transportation" planning for the full update in 2015.

4) Discussion of Sewer Service Area (SSA) planning:

Tom Faella began by identifying some of the procedural issues with the existing Sewer Service Area Plan. The plan does not identify a meeting structure for the La Crosse Area Sewer Committee or a clear process for amending the plan, or how the existing weighted voting structure operates. Nor does it provide a procedure for updating the plan. TAC and LAPC members have agreed that demographic, mapping and capacity data need to be updated. Mr. Faella suggested two options: 1) staff updates the data and maps as Census data become available; or 2) the La Crosse Area Sewer Committee approaches the Department of Natural Resources and the Mississippi River Regional Planning Commission (MRRPC) for a full update.

Nancy Proctor motioned to have LAPC staff update the SSA Plan with maps and data when Census data are available. Matt Harter seconded. All were in favor.

5) Resolution 3-2010 Supporting Assembly Bill 791:

Tom Faella stated that Representative Jennifer Shilling has submitted AB 791, which authorizes La Crosse County to form a regional transit authority (RTA). Support of the bill does not obligate the County to form an RTA.

Mike Giese motioned to adopt Resolution 3-2010 Supporting Wisconsin Legislation to Authorize a Regional Transit Authority in La Crosse County. Matt Harter seconded. Charles Spiker opposed. All others were in favor.

6) On Board Midwest presentation:

Dennis Egan from On Board Midwest presented on his organization's work in advocating for the River Route through La Crosse for the proposed high speed rail service Between Chicago and the Twin Cities.

7) Other business; Director's report; Adjourn; Next meeting to be announced:

Tom Faella updated the board on staff activities.

Scott Johnson motioned to adjourn at 5:52 p.m. Nancy Proctor seconded. All were in favor.