



La Crosse Area Planning Committee

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Minutes of Technical Advisory Committee Meeting, March 4, 2009

Minutes of the meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee held on Wednesday, March 4, 2009 at 2:30 p.m. at the La Crosse County Administrative Center, Room 3220, 400 4th St N, La Crosse.

Members Present: Jeff Brudos, Bob Fisher, David Jolicoeur, Matt Firehelm for Jarrod Holter, Bob Haines, Mike Weibel, Arun Rao, Dennis Osgood, Paul Kitzmann, Jason Gilman, Keith Carlson, Dale Hexom, Travis Parish, Matt Gallagher, John Boland. **Members Excused:** Dick Granchalek. **Others Present:** Jackie Eastwood, Tom Faella.

Tom Faella called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

1) Approval of Minutes of the January 21, 2009 TAC Meeting:

Dale Hexom motioned to approve the minutes of the January 21, 2009 meeting. Paul Kitzmann seconded. All were in favor.

2) Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment for Stimulus Funding:

Tom Faella presented an overview of the projects to be amended into the TIP that were submitted for the first round of stimulus funding. Projects included transit capital projects in Onalaska, La Crosse, and La Crescent and roadway projects in Onalaska and La Crescent. The projects submitted for the first round of stimulus dollars need to be in the TIP by March 17.

Mr. Faella stated that WisDOT has provided a second opportunity to apply for stimulus dollars. The applications need to be in to the state by April 1. The eligible projects will have two Plans, Specifications, and Estimates (PS&E) deadlines: May 1 for construction projects and December 1 for construction and design projects. Additional information and the applications can be found on the [Local Recovery Project Applications](#) page of the WisDOT Web site. A meeting will be scheduled on April 15 to approve an amendment of the TIP for projects submitted in the second round.

Paul Kitzmann motioned to approve the TIP amendment with the projects as presented. Dale Hexom seconded. All were in favor.

3) Status of 2011 – 2014 STP-Urban (STP-U) Solicitation:

Tom Faella stated he has not heard anything as of yet regarding the biennial solicitation for STP-U applications.

4) Functional Classification System Update:

Tom Faella stated that the submitted request to WisDOT for functional classification updates was forwarded to FHWA in February. FHWA has not yet approved the changes. Additional functional classification updates will be considered at the April TAC meeting in light of the stimulus program requirements.

5) Snow Removal Policies in LAPC Communities:

Tom Faella stated that Charley Weeth had requested this item be put on the agenda. Charley was not in attendance. John Boland suggested this item be forwarded to a future meeting.

6) Other Business, Adjourn, Next meeting to be announced:

Tom Faella announced that LAPC staff would be holding a workgroup meeting for the update of the regional bicycle plan at Irving Pertsch Elementary School in Onalaska on Wednesday, March 11. The workgroup meetings provide the public input to refine recommendations, which are then posted to the Web site. The TAC will become involved when we begin discussing development regulations and ordinances for accommodating bicycle travel.

Paul Kitzmann motioned to adjourn at 3:00 p.m. Dale Hexom seconded. All were in favor.