



La Crosse Area Planning Committee

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Minutes of Technical Advisory Committee Meeting, September 16, 2009

Minutes of the meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee held on Wednesday, September 16, 2009 at 2:30 p.m. at the La Crosse County Administrative Center, Room 3220, 400 4th St N, La Crosse.

Members Present: Scott Halbrucker, Bob Haines, Dennis Osgood, Dick Granchalek, Andrea Finch (conference call), John Boland, Paul Wydeven, Mike Weibel, Jason Gilman, Mike Weibel, Ryan Gaug, Keith Carlson, Travis Parish. **Members Excused:** Jeff Brudos, David Jolicoeur. **Others Present:** Marc Schultz, Christina Peterson, Jackie Eastwood, Tom Faella.

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

1) Approval of Minutes of the July 15, 2009 TAC Meeting:

Mike Weibel motioned to approve the minutes of the July 15, 2009 meeting. Dennis Osgood seconded. All were in favor.

2) LAPC 2010 – 2013 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP):

Tom Faella highlighted the changes to the TIP which included the addition of five projects, the removal of five projects, and some minor changes to the information of three projects.

Dennis Osgood motioned to recommend approval of the 2010-2013 TIP to the LAPC Policy Board. Mike Weibel seconded. All were in favor.

3) TAC involvement in LAPC regional bike plan:

Jackie Eastwood began discussion of a list of bicycle-friendly engineering policies. She stated that the goal of the policies is to encourage local communities to consider bicycle accommodations when projects are first considered, and to encourage accommodations for safe bicycling in project construction. She stated that she referenced the AASHTO Green Book and the FDM to ensure consistency. She asked what the best avenue(s) would be to ensure the recommendations of the bike plan are considered during project development.

Jason Gilman suggested working towards a Complete Streets ordinance so the locals have one document to turn to instead of referencing several plans. He also suggested putting the pertinent information in the implementation chapter of the plan as a quick reference and presenting to the communities in August/September when their capital improvement programs are being approved.

Bob Haines stated the best time to consider bicycle facilities is during the development of the concept definition of a project. The total cost of the project would then be known for the capital budget.

Travis Parish suggested presenting to the elected officials prior to adoption of the capital budget.

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

The next meeting will take place on November 18, 2009.

Dennis Osgood motioned to adjourn at 3:30 p.m. Bob Haines seconded. All were in favor.