



La Crosse Area Planning Committee

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Minutes of Technical Advisory Committee Meeting, March 16, 2011

Minutes of the meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee held on Wednesday, March 16, 2011 at 2:30 p.m. in Room 3220 of the La Crosse County Administrative Center, 400 4th St N, La Crosse, WI.

Members Present: John Boland, Scott Halbrucker, Jarrod Holter, Dick Granchalek, Bob Haines, Dave Jolicoeur, Greg Pates, Paul Wydeven, Keith Back. **Others Present:** Jack Zabrowski, Paula Ramminger, Jeff Bluske, Jackie Eastwood, Tom Faella.

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

1) Approval of Minutes of the January 19, 2011 TAC Meeting:

John Boland motioned to approve the minutes of the January 19, 2011 meeting; Dick Granchalek seconded. All were in favor.

2) Amendment of the 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP):

Tom Faella provided an overview of the three projects added to the TIP. Jarrod Holter stated that Onalaska decided to move the trail portion of the Sand Lake Rd project out to 2013 to coordinate with the State project for the USH 53 interchange ramp. The trail alignment was changed to the west side of the road and will be installed between Redwood St and Rider's Club Rd. The trail will be locally funded. Paul Wydeven stated that Mormon Coulee Rd between Losey Blvd and Broadview PI will be resurfaced in 2011 to extend the life of the facility until 2019 when the state can do pavement replacement.

Jarrod Holter motioned to recommend approval of the changes to the TIP project list as presented; Keith Back seconded. All were in favor.

3) 2011 Local Studies Program:

Tom Faella stated that the LAPC has about \$100,000 available for local studies in 2011. Three projects were received to total the amount available. The projects include an Onalaska area transit study, a transportation study of the Theater Rd corridor, and a traffic impact analysis in Holmen. John Boland asked Jarrod Holter to make clear to the consultant of the Theater Rd project that they need to include consideration of the existing bike lanes and the safety of bicyclists at the busy intersections. Jarrod responded by saying the study would be conceptual, with one option looking at a two-way left turn lane. The City has projected a signal at Theater Rd and CTH PH for many years and now current traffic conditions at Midwest Dr. may indicate a need.

Dick Granchalek motioned to recommend to the LAPC to fund the three submitted projects with local studies planning funds; John Boland seconded. All were in favor.

4) Complete Streets Policy for LAPC:

Discussion of the policy readdressed some points discussed at the November meeting and introduced some new comments by Greg Pates. Jackie Eastwood will incorporate the comments as discussed and provide an amended version of the policy to the TAC for continued consideration at the May meeting.

5) STP-Urban Policies and Prioritization Criteria:

With time running short, this agenda item was postponed to the May meeting.

6) State of Wisconsin 2011-2013 Biennial Budget Bills:

Jackie Eastwood summarized the salient aspects of the governor's budget bill and its impacts on transportation, education, shared revenue, and the environment.

7) I-90 Dresbach Bridge Update:

Tom Faella stated that Mn/DOT will present updated plans at the May meetings.

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

Bob Haines motioned to adjourn at 4:15 p.m.; Greg Pates seconded. All were in favor.