



**TMACOG TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2015**

Call to Order – Chair Keith Earley brought the meeting to order with introductions around the room.

Approval of Minutes – A motion was made by Mary Ellen Poturalski and seconded by Tom Kovacik to approve the November 12, 2015 meeting minutes; the motion passed unanimously.

Financial (Expense) Report – Dave Gedeon presented and briefly reviewed the expense report for the period July 1, 2015 through October 23, 2015. The financial report showed 31.80% of the budget has been completed with 31.87% expended. A motion was made by Ken Fallows and seconded by Andy Langenderfer to approve the expense report as presented; the motion passed unanimously.

Council Chair and Vice Chair for 2016 – Keith Earley and Jim Bagdonas were nominated to continue as chair and vice chair. Keith Early asked for any additional nominations. A motion was made by Neil Munger and seconded by Ed O'Reilly to approve the nominations as presented; the motion passed unanimously.

FY 2016-2019 TIP Amendment #4 – Ed O'Reilly explained that the amendment makes the following changes: adds \$950,000 of STP to the Anthony Wayne Trail Gateway (construction) in FY 2017; moves Bancroft St. from FY 2017 to FY 2018; moves South Ave. from FY 2018 to FY 2019; and moves both Douglas Rd. and Bennett Rd. from FY 2019 to FY 2020. All projects are sponsored by the City of Toledo. All projects utilize STP funds managed by TMACOG. A motion was made by Ed O'Reilly and seconded by Tom Kovacik to approve the amendment as presented; the motion passed unanimously.

FHWA/FTA Planning Certification Review – Dave Gedeon explained that on January 20 and 21, 2016, representatives from the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration will review TMACOG's transportation planning process for compliance with federal requirements. A desk review will take place on January 20th with TMACOG staff, FHWA, ODOT, and FTA representatives and a public meeting will take place that day at Noon in the Grand Lobby. The review team will reconvene on the 21st to resume discussion and present preliminary findings.

Standing and Ad Hoc Committee Reports

Transportation Council Standing Committee Reports:

Freight – Ray Huber reported that the committee discussed the national highway system update on road projects looking at regional freight connectors. They also looked at the Ohio Freight Plan, Michigan Freight Plan, and the National Freight Plan to compare and see any changes.

Planning – Ron Myers had nothing new to report.

Pedestrian & Bikeways – Ed O'Reilly reported the committee reviewed the Bike Users map.

TIP – Ed O'Reilly had nothing new to report.

System Performance and Monitoring – Andy Langenderfer reported the committee reviewed high crash intersections.

Public Transit and Passenger Rail – Patrick Miller was unable to attend. Rebekka Aparadian reported that the suggestion to split the committee into two separate committees was approved. The next step is to discuss the integration of the Transportation Advisory Committee into the Public Transit Committee at their next meeting which is January 13. It is expected to be approved. The new name of the committee will become the Public Transportation Committee. After approval of the changes, operating procedures will need to be developed and approved.

Major Project Updates/Other Committees:

Major Projects – Mike Gramza was unable to attend. Mike Stormer gave an update on projects in the area. All projects are in current winter configuration. US 6 northbound is set to be slid in the weekend of December 12.

Vice President's Report – Dave reported that on December 1, House and Senate approved the FAST Act (Fixing America's Surface Transportation). It is the combined bill between Drive and Starr acts. It still needs to be signed by the president.

Dave also reported that the FY 2017 Annual Work Program is under development and staff is working with each transportation committee to identify work items for the next fiscal year. Each fiscal year ends on June 30 but ODOT requires that the next work program is submitted in early March for review and comment with a final document due in early May.

Dave reported that the Transportation Review Advisory Council (TRAC) held a working session to review, evaluate and discuss the project applications submitted in June. The upcoming TRAC schedule is as follows:

- December 2015 – Final project discussions and voting session for the Draft 2016-2019 Major New Construction Program
- January 2016 – Open public comment period on the draft list
- February 2016 – Discussion of public comments and voting session for the final 2016-2019 Major New Construction Program

District 2 applications include the following projects: 1) replace and widen the deficient structures on I-475 over Hill Ave. and Dorr St. (construction) 2) Construct a new interchange on I-475 at Dorr St. (Detailed Design/Right-of-Way) 3) Construct a new interchange on I-475 at US 20A (Detailed Design/Right-of-Way).

Dave mentioned the upcoming events, the TMACOG General Assembly, Monday, January 25, 2016 at the Holiday Inn French Quarter and the TMACOG Transportation Summit, Friday, March 18, 2016 at the Parkway Place.

Roundtable – Nothing to report.

Next Meeting/Adjournment – A motion was made by and Keith Earley seconded by Mary Ellen Poturalski to adjourn the meeting; the motion was passed unanimously.