I. Welcome, review agenda and April Minutes

Ed convened the meeting. Ron Myers moved to approve the April minutes, and Jon Zvanovec second the motion. The motion passed.

II. Status of TAP Program

Lance Dasher, Ed O’Reilly

Lance presented the active TIP spreadsheet that shows the current fiscal standing in the TAP. Lance stated to the group that the program as a whole was losing money due to the annual ODOT true-up. Lance explained that each year ODOT reviews their previous fiscal year with what was actually received from FHWA and what was promised by FHWA. The actual amount was lower than the promised, so to adjust for each of the MPOs lost funding. The TAP program stands to lose $4,700 annually through the TIP. The TAP standing is looking good as of right now. The City of Perrysburg was unable to complete all remaining phases in the Maumee River Multiuse Path. They are constructing phase 2 this fiscal year and phases 3&4 will be completed in FY2019.

The Toledo Harbor Lighthouse Society attended the meeting to provide an update on the project. The project sponsor was said to be Lucas County, however the Lucas County Engineers office will not be the LPA. Someone from the Lucas County Commissioners office will have to be the LPA. The Lighthouse Society has contacted Genoa Bank for a loan for the money upfront to pay for the project and then the project will be reimbursed via TAP funds. Ed strongly encouraged the Lighthouse Society and the Lucas County Commissioners attend the quarterly monitoring meetings to provide updates to assure that the project is moving forward.

III. Project Requests

Lucas County – Sylvania-Metamora Bike Path

Ron Myers discussed the needs of the project. There was an increase in R/W costs as well as construction costs. Lucas County requested to add funding to FY2016 for RW and add funding to the construction phase in FY2017. The new TAP funds needed for the RW is $159,680. The additional TAP funding needed for construction is $76,800. There was discussion about alternative funding being utilized. Ron mentioned that if the RW funding does not get funding the project will be pulled, and if this project goes then the Kilburn Rd project in FY2020 will no longer be relevant.

A motion was made by Jon Zvanovec to add the funding for the RW and add the additional funding needed to cover the additional construction costs with the anticipation that Lucas County will seek alternative funds (Clean Ohio) for the construction to alleviate the TAP funds being utilized. Dave Dysard seconded the motion. The motion passed.
City of Toledo – Summit Street Bike Path
Dave Dysard discussed the issues with the Summit St Bike Path project scheduled for FY2018. Summit Street needs a road diet in order for the bike path to be built. The funding has not been solidified for the road diet of Summit Street. The City of Toledo proposed that the Summit St Bike Path be dropped from the TIP and add the next highest scoring project from the last TAP funding round. The next project was the Chessie Circle Trail Connector to the Overland Trail. The City of Toledo does not see that project as cost effective now due to a pipeline relocation. The City of Toledo proposed to go to the west of the Chessie Circle Trail and construct a sidepath along University Hills Blvd to meet the bike lanes on Bancroft St that will be constructed in FY2017. The City of Toledo stated that they will work within the awarded $427,212.

A motion was made by Ron Myers to add the proposed project of the University Hills Blvd Sidepath to the TIP and remove the Summit St Bike Path from the TIP. Rodney Shultz seconded the motion. The motion passed.

IV. Other Business; Announcements

Committee Members

Ed mentioned that the Ohio Rec Trails committee made a recommendation to Ohio Department of Natural Resources for projects to be funded. Two projects were applied for from the TMACOG area. Ed said that the final approval should come by the end of October.

Dave Gedeon mentioned that there are two federal transportation bills in congress. The two are similar, but the funding has not been established in either bill.

V. Adjourn – next meeting will be January 20.

Committee Meeting Schedule
Third Tuesday, first month of each quarter, 10:00 a.m. (at TMACOG)
2015: Jan 20, Apr 21, July 21, Oct 20