

RPA-18 Policy/Technical Committee
Minutes of April 13, 2016 Meeting

11:00 a.m.

The RPA-18 Policy and Transportation Technical Committees met on Wednesday, April 13, 2016 in the Metro Building, 2222 Cuming Street, Omaha, Nebraska. Dan Ahart, Shelby County, called the meeting to order.

PRESENT

Policy Committee

Richard Crouch
Russell Kurth
Charles Parkhurst

Mills County Supervisor
Harrison County Supervisor
Shelby County Supervisor

Technical Committee

Daniel Ahart
Perry Cook
Kevin Mayberry
John Rasmussen
Steve Struble

Shelby County Engineer
City of Glenwood
Mills County Engineer
Pottawattamie County Engineer
Harrison County Engineer

Staff/Non-Voting Members

Mark Lander
Scott Suhr
Michael Felschow
Court Barber

SWIPCO/SWITA
Iowa Department of Transportation
Metropolitan Area Planning Agency
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1. Approval of the Agenda and of the Minutes: (Action)

MOTION by Parkhurst, SECOND by Kurth to approve the minutes from the March 16, 2016 meeting of the RPA-18 Policy and Technical Committees.

MOTION PASSED.

2. Transportation Planning Work Program Amendment (TPWP): (Action)

Felschow addressed changes to the Work Program which included changes with the Long Range Transportation Plan / Long Range Planning and the Pottawattamie County Transportation Master Plan where the narrative and the budget had been changed.

MOTION by Rasmussen, SECOND by Struble, to approve the Transportation Planning Work Program Amendment.

MOTION PASSED.

3. Draft FY 2017 Transportation Planning Work Program: (Action)

Felschow presented the Draft FY 2017 TPWP to the Committees. Added to this draft is 469 – Pottawattamie County Transportation Master Plan which will probably not be done during this fiscal year. He noted a change will be made with Pottawattamie County Master Plan Local Match amount before being sent to Iowa Department of Roads (IDOT).

MOTION by Mayberry, SECOND by Parkhurst, to approve the Draft FY 2017 Transportation Planning Work Program with an adjustment to the Pottawattamie County Master Plan Local Match.

MOTION PASSED.

4. Discussion of TAP Regional Fiscal Constraint: (Information)

Felschow directed the Committees' attention to the TAP Regional Fiscal Constraint. MAPA is recommending the SWITA project come from "off the top" funding for the region's STP. If TAP-Flex is reduced for the \$48,000 SWITA project and the remaining TAP-Flex funding is advanced to 2017, Mills County's second TAP project is delayed to 2020. The TAP program would be \$6,000 short of the funding required to fund the second Mills County project in 2019. MAPA is recommending flexing all of the TAP funding within the fiscally constrained program in FY 2017. By doing so, both of Mills County's projects are funded and programmed by 2019 which better reflects the schedule that was requested by Mills County as part of the application. Discussion continued with the possibility of moving and pulling projects in various fiscal years.

5. FY 2017 Transportation Improvement Program Schedule and Program Development: (Information)

Felschow said the draft TIP will be brought to the Committees in May so all adjustments are needed back to MAPA as soon as possible. There will be a comment period with May's draft TIP as well as for state and federal review. The final TIP will be approved in June with the FY 2017 TIP going into effect August 1, 2016.

6. Additional Business: (Information)

Felschow told the Committees the Heartland 2050 Vision Plan includes Harrison, Mills and Pottawattamie counties. Meetings will be scheduled in these counties to help with the vision plan by identifying the county's transportation systems vision for the next 25 to 30 years with present and future needs.

Suhr said Troy Jerman has resigned from the Iowa DOT and will be working with HDR in Des Moines.

7. Next Meeting: (Information)

The next meeting of the RPA-18 Policy and Technical Committees is May 11, 2016 at 11:00 a.m.

8. Adjournment: (Action)

The meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

MOTION by Parkhurst, SECOND by Struble to adjourn the meeting.

MOTION PASSED.