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**RPA-18 Policy/Technical Committee**

Minutes of February 10, 2021 Meeting

11:00 a.m.

The RPA-18 Policy and Transportation Technical Committees met on February 10, 2021 virtually due to the ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic. The meeting was held in compliance with the Iowa Open Meetings Act. Charles Parkhurst called the meeting to order at 11:00am.

**PRESENT**

**Policy Committee**

Charles Parkhurst  
John Rasmussen  
Steven Struble

Shelby County Supervisor  
Pottawattamie County  
Harrison County

**Technical Committee**

Brandon Burmeister  
John Rasmussen  
Steven Struble  
Cory Gaston  
Gene Gettys  
Ron Kohn

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

**Staff/Non-Voting Members**

Michael Helgerson  
Travis Halm  
James Boerner

Metropolitan Area Planning Agency  
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**1. Approval of Agenda**

MOTION by Kohn

SECOND by Burmeister

MOTION PASSES

**2. Approval of Minutes**

Travis Halm, MAPA, noted one correction in the minutes and asked for approval with that correction as a term of approval.

Parkhurst called for approval of the minutes from November 17, 2020.

MOTION by Rasmussen

SECOND by Gaston

MOTION PASSES

### **3. Call for Projects – Regional STBG and Regional TAP:**

Travis Halm, MAPA stated that one project was submitted in the STBG Call for Projects which was due on January 29<sup>th</sup>, by Harrison County for 950,000 on L-20 Highway south of Missouri Valley in 2025.

Halm added that the project was slightly larger than the fiscal constraint amount allotted.

Helgerson added that the item can be tabled to March since the RPA TIP will not be approved until May.

Steven Struble, Harrison County, stated that the project is on L-20 Highway for an overlay south of Missouri Valley. Struble added that the project is of significance because the road served as an I-29 detour during Missouri River flooding events, most recently in 2019.

Michael Helgerson added that Iowa DOT had sent new regional funding updates and the item should be tabled until March.

MOTION by Struble

SECOND by Rasmussen

MOTION PASSES

### **4. TPWP Discussion**

Michael Helgerson, MAPA, announced that staff is currently working on the next Transportation Planning Work Program (TPWP). Helgerson added that a draft goes to the RPA Board in March and a final is requested for approval in April.

Helgerson stated that this item was in the agenda this month to remind member jurisdictions of the services MAPA provides. Helgerson added that an example includes pavement data analysis for system preservation in Glenwood, and wanted to remind other jurisdictions of these services offered.

Helgerson also stated that MAPA has done a lot of new work tasks related to drone photography, which could be of use to jurisdictions in the RPA-18 region.

Helgerson added that other work program items including “Block Talks” have been done in rural communities including Avoca.

No action taken.

### **5. Additional Business**

No items.

### **6. Next Meeting: (Information)**

The next meeting of the RPA is scheduled for March 10, 2021. Exact details are pending due to the ongoing pandemic.

### **7. Adjournment:**

Meeting was adjourned at 11:17 am.