

**OMAHA–COUNCIL BLUFFS METROPOLITAN AREA PLANNING AGENCY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

March 23, 2023

The Board of Directors met at the MAPA offices, 2222 Cuming Street, Omaha. Chair Kindig called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m.

A. ROLL CALL/INTRODUCTIONS

Members/Officers Present

Patrick Bloomingdale – Secretary/Treasurer	Chief Administrative Officer, Douglas County
Rusty Hike	Mayor, City of Bellevue
Douglas Kindig – Chair	NE Small Communities/Counties Representative (Mayor, City of La Vista)
Jacquelyn Morrison (rep. Mayor Jean Stothert)	Deputy Chief of Staff, City of Omaha
Chris Rodgers	Douglas County Commissioner
Carol Vinton – Vice Chair	IA Small Communities/Counties Representative (Mills County Board of Supervisors)
Matt Walsh @ 1:47 pm	Mayor, City of Council Bluffs

Members/Officers Absent

Scott Belt	Pottawattamie County Board of Supervisors
Pete Festersen	Omaha City Council
David Klug	Sarpy County Commissioners

Guest

Darren Osten	Eide Bailly, LLP
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MAPA Staff

Grant Anderson	Court Barber	Christina Brownell	Josh Corrigan	Sue Cutsforth	Matt Eash
Isabelle Fleming	Rachel Goettsch	Michael Helgerson	Laura Heilman	Amanda Morales	Carlos Morales
Shawna Sivius	Elizabeth Zeller				

B. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA of the March 23, 2023 meeting agenda – (Action)

MOTION by Rodgers, SECOND by Hike to approve the agenda of the March 23, 2023 meeting of the Board of Directors with the removal of action for agenda item H.3.b – Community Development Work Program (CDWP).

AYES: Hike, Kindig, Morrison, Rodgers, Vinton

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

C. APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES of the February 23, 2023 meeting – (Action)

MOTION by Vinton, SECOND by Rodgers to approve the minutes of the February 23, 2023 meeting of the Board of Directors.

AYES: Hike, Kindig, Morrison, Rodgers, Vinton

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None

MOTION CARRIED.

D. AGENCY REPORTS & PRESENTATIONS – (Information)

1. AGENCY REPORTS

a. Executive Director’s Report - Mike Helgerson, Executive Director

Mr. Helgerson provided an update to the Board on MAPA projects, activities and events including: Ribbon Cutting for the Vireo Facility, final reports for the Highway 75 Corridor & Freight Study, Western Sarpy County PEL, MAPA in the news, NIROC aerial photography, and MAPA’s upcoming Brownfields workshop.

- b. Staff Update –Intern Presentation: Rachel Goettsch, GIS Intern and Isabelle Fleming, Communications & Outreach Intern
Ms. Goettsch & Ms. Fleming presented to the Board on their MAPA internship experience and project activities.

2. STAFF RECOGNITION

- a. Michael Helgerson was recognized for 10 years of Service to MAPA

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS – NONE

F. CONSENT AGENDA – (Action)

- 1. FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES of the March 15, 2023 meeting.
- 2. FINAL CONTRACT PAYMENTS
 - a. Benesch - PEL Study – \$1,055.57
 - b. Black Hills Works – 5310 – \$9,273.45
 - c. HDR – HWY 75 – 43,062.50

MOTION by Walsh, SECOND by Rodgers, to approve all items on the Consent Agenda.

AYES: Hike, Kindig, Morrison, Rodgers, Vinton, Walsh

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

G. OLD BUSINESS

- 1. RESOLUTION 2023–17: FY 2023 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) AMENDMENT # 6 – (ACTION)
Mr. Barber presented to the board for approval Resolution 2023–17: TIP Amendment #6; changes include updates to projects sponsored by the Nebraska Department of Transportation.

MOTION by Rodgers, SECOND by Vinton to approve Resolution 2023–17: FY 2023 TIP Amendment #6.

AYES: Hike, Kindig, Morrison, Rodgers, Vinton, Walsh

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

H. NEW BUSINESS

- 1. FY 2022 AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – (ACTION)
Darren Osten, Partner - Eide Be & Matt Eash presented to the Board a draft of the FY 2022 Audited Financial Statements.

MOTION by Walsh, SECOND by Vinton, to approve the MAPA Draft FY 2022 Financial statements and auditors report as presented, allowing for Executive Director to approve subsequent revisions resulting from the auditor’s internal quality review.

AYES: Hike, Kindig, Morrison, Rodgers, Vinton, Walsh

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

- 2. TRAVEL – (ACTION)

Mr. Helgerson presented to the board for approval the travel listed below.

- a. NACTO Designing Cities 2023 Conference – 3 Staff; Denver, Co – May 15-18, 2023 – \$6,932.70
- b. NARC Annual Conference & Exhibition – 2 Staff & 1 Board Member; Detroit, MI – June 4-7, 2023 – \$7,204.80

MOTION by Rodgers SECOND by Hike to approve the travel as presented for the NACTO Conference in Denver CO. and NARC Conference in Detroit MI.

AYES: Hike, Kindig, Morrison, Rodgers, Vinton, Walsh

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

3. FY 2024 DRAFT WORK PROGRAM –

Mr. Helgerson presented to the board approval of FY 2024 Draft Work Program to go to a 30 day Public Comment Period.

- a. Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) – (ACTION)
- b. Community Development Work Program (CDWP) – (NO ACTION - See Item B)

MOTION by Walsh SECOND by Vinton to approve the FY 2024 Draft Work Program to go to a 30 day Public Comment Period.

AYES: Hike, Kindig, Morrison, Rodgers, Vinton, Walsh

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

I. DISCUSSION –

1. NEBRASKA STATEWIDE TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM (TAP) – (INFORMATION)

Mr. Helgerson provided the Board with an update on the guidelines for the Statewide Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP).

J. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS – None.

K. ADJOURNMENT – Chairperson Kindig adjourned the meeting at 2:47 p.m.