

AGENDA

- A. Call to order
- B. Introductions:
 - 1. Voting members & proxies: *Quorum = 6 (must include at least 3 elected officials)*
 - 2. Press and other guests
- C. Approve the agenda
- D. Approve the minutes of February 21, 2019
- E. Action (voting) Items**
 - 1. Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)**
Action: Approve the MPO's SFY 2020 UPWP.
 - 2. Bylaws Administrative Modification**
Action: Approve Bylaws Administrative Modifications.
- F. MPO Report/Announcements
 - 1. 061577 FLAP update
 - 2. MPO 2020 Calendar
 - 3. TAP Deadline: June 3, 2019
 - 4. BUILD Deadline: July 15, 2019
 - 5. FLAP Deadline: August 30, 2019
 - 6. FAST Act
 - 7. ARDOT Draft HSIP CY 2020 Targets
 - 8. 2045 MTP Draft:
 - a) Survey Summary;
 - b) Goals & Objectives;
 - c) Project Prioritization Reference;
 - d) Schedule.
- G. ARDOT Report/Announcements
 - 1. Upcoming Projects
 - 2. Construction Projects
- H. Other Agencies Reports/Announcements
- I. Public Comments
- J. Adjourn

MINUTES

- A. Call to order: Ray Owen called the meeting to order at approximately 10:00 am.
- B. Introductions:
1. The following voting members & proxies were present: *Quorum = 6 (must include at least 3 elected officials)*
 - I. Darryl Mahoney - Garland County - County Judge
 - II. David Whitlow - Hot Springs Village - Proxy for Mike Medica
 - III. Gary Troutman - Chamber of Commerce - Proxy for Mike Lipton
 - IV. Jack Fields - Town of Fountain Lake - Mayor
 - V. Mark Headley - Arkansas Department of Transportation (ARDOT) - D6 Engineer
 - VI. Pat McCabe - City of Hot Springs (CHS) - Mayor
 - VII. Paul Simms - MPO Coordinator - ARDOT
 - VIII. Ray Owen - Garland County - Justice of the Peace & MPO Vice-Chairman
 2. There were no members of the press present. The following guests were present:
 - I. Bill Burrough - CHS - City Manager
 - II. Emmily Tiampati - Tri-Lakes MPO - Study Director
 - III. Josh Walker - ARDOT - D6 R.E.
 - IV. Laura Miller - National Park Service (NPS) - Superintendent
 - V. Mark Scott - NPS
 - VI. Michael Watson - Halff & Marlar Consultants
- C. Darryl Mahoney made the motion to approve the agenda; Jack Fields seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
- D. Darryl Mahoney made the motion to approve the minutes of the February 21, 2019 Policy Board meeting; David Whitlow seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
- E. Action (voting) Items
1. Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)

Emmily presented the draft SFY 2020 UPWP. Jack Fields made the motion to approve the UPWP; Paul Simms seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
 2. Bylaws Administrative Modifications

Emmily presented the bylaws administrative modifications. The modifications pertain to: changing the language under Policy Board elections to allow the elections to take place at any meeting during odd numbered years; replacing "Genesee & Wyoming Railroad" to " Railroad Representative" in the TAC voting list; and removing the NPS as a voting member in the TAC (per the Superintendent's request) and moving it to the Ex-Officio (non-voting) list. Darryl Mahoney made the motion to approve the bylaws modifications; Jack Fields seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
- F. MPO Report/Announcements
1. Emmily gave a status update of the Hot Springs Area Wayfinding Signage Program (061577 FLAP). A kick-off meeting was held in January 2019 and the consultant, MERJE, presented three draft schematic designs in March 2019.
 2. Emmily presented the MPO's tentative 2020 meeting calendar.

3. Emmily reminded the Policy Board that the TAP application deadline is June 3, 2019.
4. Emmily presented an overview of the BUILD Grant whose deadline is July 15, 2019. Bill Burrough mentioned that the City and the County are planning to apply for the BUILD Grant for the MLK Interchanges. He added that they are considering to submit the application through the MPO.
5. Emmily reminded the Policy Board that the FLAP deadline is August 30, 2019.
6. Emmily mentioned that the current surface transportation funding bill, FAST Act, is set to expire in September, 2020. Congress is working on the next surface transportation bill. As a result, the MPO submitted these projects: MLK Expressway Interchanges, Southwest Trail, and Carpenter Dam Rd to Congressman Westerman's Office; as recommended by Bill Burrough, based on news from the National League of Cities (NLC).
7. Emmily gave a preview of the ARDOT Draft HSIP CY 2020 Safety Targets, whose comments are due May 24, 2019. She mentioned that although the targets have not yet been formally adopted by ARDOT, the MPO has until February 27, 2020 to decide whether to adopt all of the State's safety targets, or set its own targets, or a combination of both options. She also reminded the Policy Board that the MPO has to plan and program projects in support of all performance measures and targets.
8. Emmily presented a summary of the transportation survey which was disseminated to various stakeholders earlier this year. The survey is still available on the MPO website indefinitely. She also presented a draft list of proposed MTP goals and objectives, the draft MTP and TIP project prioritization reference, and the draft 2045 MTP development schedule.

G. ARDOT Report/Announcements

1. Paul Simms presented a list of the upcoming projects.
2. Josh Walker presented a list of the ongoing or substantially complete construction projects.

H. Other Agencies Reports/Announcements

Pat McCabe asked Ray Owen whether Bill Burrough could be added to the MPO's Policy Board voting list. Emmily concurred with Ray Owen in that the MPO would need to review the bylaws before any decision can be made.

I. Public Comments: There were no public comments.

J. Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at approximately 11:03 am.

Approve

Policy Board Chairman

Ray Owen

Sign:

Date:

7/23/19

Attest

MPO Study Director

Emmily Tiampati

Sign:

Date:

7.23.2019