

AGENDA

- A. Call to order
- B. Introductions:
 - 1. Voting members & proxies: *Quorum = 8 (must include not less than four different jurisdictions or organizations)*
 - 2. Press and other guests
- C. Approve the agenda
- D. Approve the minutes of February 5, 2019
- E. Action (voting) Items**
 - 1. Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)**
 - Action: Recommend that the Policy Board (PB) approves the MPO's SFY 2020 UPWP.
 - 2. Bylaws Administrative Modification**
 - Action: Recommend that the Policy Board (PB) approves the 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. 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
 - 3. ARDOT Announcements
- H. Other Agencies Reports/Announcements
- I. Public Comments
- J. Adjourn

MINUTES

- A. Call to order: Emmily called the meeting to order at about 10:00 am.
- B. Introductions:
1. The following voting members & proxies were present: *Quorum = 8 (must include not less than four different jurisdictions or organizations)*
 - I. Anthony Hunter - Arkansas Department of Transportation (ARDOT) - MPO Coordinator.
 - II. Dennis Thornton - Hot Spring County - County Judge.
 - III. Denny McPhate - City of Hot Springs (CHS) - Public Works Director.
 - IV. Gary Carnahan - CHS - Engineer, and - Proxy for Don Beavers.
 - V. Glen Barentine - CHS - Airport Director.
 - VI. Karl Lowry - Town of Fountain Lake - Alderman - Proxy for Mayor Jack Fields.
 - VII. James Patton - Hot Springs Village - Public Works Committee.
 - VIII. Josh Walker - ARDOT - Resident Engineer.
 - IX. Matthew Breckenridge - Garland County.
 - X. Michael Chinn - CHS - Resident Advisor.
 - XI. Rick Stauder - CHS - Planning Coordinator - Proxy for Kathy Sellman.
 - XII. Ryan Richardson - Arkansas Midland Railroad - General Manager.
 2. There were no members of the press. The following guests were present:
 - I. Cheryl Batts - P.H.O.E.B.E./Uzuri Project - President.
 - II. Dwayne Pratt - West Central Arkansas Planning & Development District (WCAPDD) - Executive Director.
 - III. Emmily Tiampati - Tri-Lakes MPO - Study Director.
 - IV. Ken Freeman - CHS - Parks and Trails Coordinator.
 - V. Mark Scott - National Park Service.
 - VI. Paul Simms - ARDOT - MPO Coordinator.
 - VII. Valera McDaniel - Federal Highway Administration - Transportation Program Coordinator/Planner.
- C. Jim Patton made the motion to approve the agenda; Gary Carnahan seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
- D. Gary Carnahan made the motion to approve the minutes of February 5, 2019 TAC meeting; Denny McPhate 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. Jim Patton made the motion recommending that the Policy Board approves the MPO's SFY 2020 UPWP; Rick Stauder seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
 2. Bylaws Administrative Modifications

Emmily presented the bylaws administrative modifications. The first modification pertains to changing the language under Policy Board elections to allow the elections to take place at any meeting during odd numbered years. The second modification pertains to removing the National Park Service (NPS) as a voting member, per the Superintendent's request; and moving the NPS to the TAC's Ex-Officio (non-voting list). Jim

Patton made the motion to recommend that the Policy Board approves the bylaws modifications; Gary Carnahan 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 TAC that the TAP application deadline is June 3, 2019.
4. Emmily presented an overview of the BUILD Grant whose deadline is July 15, 2019.
5. Emmily reminded the TAC 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 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. Anthony Hunter presented a list of upcoming projects.
2. Josh Walker presented a list of ongoing or substantially complete construction projects.

H. Other Agencies Reports/Announcements:

1. Gary Carnahan announced that the City of Hot Springs, ARDOT and the National Park Service met with Congressman Westerman; and ARDOT was requested to re-evaluate the AR 7 North/Park Ave project (061547) and work with the NPS to resolve any ROW issues, in order to be able to incorporate bike-lanes, as needed.

I. Public Comments: There were no public comments.

J. Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at about 11:20 am.

Approved on: July 9, 2019

Attest:

Emmily Tiampati

MPO Study Director

Sign:  TIAMPATI EMMILY