

AGENDA

- A. Call to order
- B. Introduction of voting members, proxies, press, and other guests: *Quorum = 8 (must include not less than four different jurisdictions or organizations)*
- C. Action (voting) Items
 - 1. Approve the agenda
 - 2. Approve the minutes of February 4th, 2020
 - 3. UPWP - SFY 2021
 - 4. Bylaws Amendment
- D. MPO Reports/Announcements
 - 1. 2021 Calendar
 - 2. 2045 MTP Draft
- E. ARDOT Reports/Announcements
 - 1. Upcoming Projects
 - 2. Construction Projects
- F. Other Agencies Reports/Announcements
- G. Public Comments
- H. Adjourn

Note: Due to restrictions and advisories associated with the Coronavirus pandemic, this meeting will be held via Zoom <https://zoom.us>

Afterwards, the meeting audio/video will be posted on our YouTube channel.

Meeting link <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/71099085370> and ID 710 9908 5370.

MINUTES

A. Emmily called the meeting to order at approximately 9:59 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. Gary Carnahan - City of Hot Springs - Engineer & (Proxy for Jim Patton - HSV).
- III. Gary Troutman - Greater Hot Springs Chamber of Commerce - President.
- IV. Jack Fields - Town of Fountain Lake - Mayor (Proxy for Karl Lowry).
- V. John Rogers - B&F Engineering - Garland County Representative.
- VI. Josh Walker - ARDOT - Resident Engineer, D6.
- VII. Rick Stauder (Proxy for Kathy Sellman) - City of Hot Springs - Planning Manager.
- VIII. Keith Jones - City of Hot Springs - Intracity Transit Resident Advisor.

2. There were no members of the press. The following Ex-Officio (non-voting) members and guests were present: *Darryl Mahoney* - Garland County - County Judge; *Emmily Tiampati* - Tri-Lakes MPO - Study Director; *Mike Watson* - Half & Associates - Business Manager.

C. Action (voting) Items

1. Mayor Fields made the motion to approve the agenda; Mr. Carnahan seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.
2. Mr. Troutman made the motion to approve the minutes of February 4th, 2020; Mayor Fields seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.
3. Emmily presented the draft State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2021 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). Mr. Jones made the motion to recommend to the Policy Board to approve the SFY 2021 UPWP; Mr. Carnahan seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.
4. Emmily presented the Bylaws Amendments/Modifications, as requested by Mr. Troutman. He explained that the Chamber and the Metro Partnership operate as two separate entities. Therefore, the MPO would be adding two positions for the Metro Partnership, one in the TAC and one in the Policy Board. Mayor Fields made the motion to recommend to the Policy Board to approve the Bylaws modifications; Mr. Jones seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.

D. MPO Reports/Announcements

1. Emmily presented the 2021 Calendar. She cautioned that it is always subject to change. She also mentioned that due to Coronavirus advisories, she is considering hosting all the other MPO meetings for the rest of the 2020 Calendar year via Zoom.
2. Emmily presented the 2045 MTP Draft. She mentioned that she had emailed the TAC and Policy Board several drafts already for their review/comments. She mentioned that she has been updating the draft periodically. She mentioned that she will send an updated draft soon with updates pertaining to traffic volumes and project GIS maps. She mentioned that the draft is due for adoption on September 30th, 2020. But before that, she'll need to send the final draft to the TAC and Policy

Board for recommendation and approval to make the draft available for public review and comments. Mr. Carnahan commented that the draft is well written with lots of good information, including the projects list.

E. ARDOT Reports/Announcements

1. Mr. Hunter presented a report on ARDOT's planning & programming (upcoming) projects.
2. Mr. Walker also presented a report on ARDOT's construction projects.

F. Other Agencies Reports/Announcements

1. Garland County - Judge Mahoney mentioned that he has been working with ARDOT in regard to obtaining Right of Way (ROW) around the east side area of Promise Land Dr for the MLK Expressway Extension (R60140) project, and that they are making progress on that.
2. City of Hot Springs - Mr. Carnahan mentioned that the City of Hot Springs plans on advertising a bid for utility relocation on Albert Pike Rd/U.S. 270 from Mountain Pine Rd to Fleetwood Dr (CA0607).

G. There were no public comments.

H. Mr. Troutman made the motion to adjourn the meeting; Mayor Fields seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously; the meeting was adjourned at about 10:35 am.

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Attest: Emmily Tiampati

MPO Study Director

Date & Sign below:

 TIAMPATI EMMILY

2020-9-15.