

GRAND ISLAND AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (GIAMPO)

MINUTES OF POLICY BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, June 9, 2015 at 4:00pm

Community Meeting Room

Grand Island City Hall, 100 E. 1st Street, Grand Island, NE

VOTING MEMBERS ATTENDANCE:

Jeremy Jensen, Mayor, City of Grand Island	Present
Vaughn Minton, City of Grand Island, Council Member	Absent
Chuck Haase, City of Grand Island, Council Member	Present
Julie Hehnke, City of Grand Island, Council Member	Present
Mike Paulick, City of Grand Island, Council Member	Present
Brad Zumwalt (Kyle Schneweis designee) NDOR Hwy Planning Manager	Present
Gary Quandt, Hall County Board	Present
Scott Arnold, Hall County Board	Present
Pat O’Neill	Present

NON-VOTING MEMBERS ATTENDANCE:

Marlan Ferguson, City of GI, City Administrator	Present
Terry Brown, City of GI, Assistant Public Works Director	Absent
John Collins, City of GI Public Works Director	Present
Chad Nabity, Regional Planning Director	Present
Joseph Werning, Administrator, FHWA NE Division	Absent
Mokhtee Ahmad, Administrator, FTA Region VII	Absent
Wes Wahlgren, NDOR District 4 Engineer	Absent
Justin Luther, Transportation Planner, Realty, Civil Rights FHWA	Absent
Logan Daniels, Federal Transit Administration, Region VII	Absent

OTHERS in ATTENDANCE:

John Adams, MPO Program Manager
Bob Sivick, City Attorney, City of Grand Island
William Clingman, Interim Finance Director/City Treasurer City of Grand Island
Catrina DeLosh, Public Works Administrative Assistant, City of Grand Island
Nicki Stoltenberg, Assistant to the City Administrator, City of Grand Island

Mayor Jensen called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm. The Nebraska Open Meetings Act was acknowledged and roll call was taken. Mayor Jensen acknowledged the fact that Brad Zumwalt, NDOR Highway Planning Manager, was the designee for Kyle Schneweis, Director of the Nebraska Department of Roads.

Approval of minutes of the February 24, 2015 Policy Board Meeting

Motion by Haase to approve the minutes of the February 24, 2015 meeting, seconded by Hehnke. Upon roll call vote, all voted in favor. Quandt and O’Neill abstained from this vote as they weren’t present at the February 24, 2015 meeting.

Amendment to the Technical Advisory Committee's Bylaws

Collins noted the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) voted to amend their Bylaws to include Cancellation of Regularly Scheduled Technical Advisory Committee Meetings, at their February 9, 2015 meeting, as clarified in the Bylaw amendment included in this meeting's agenda packet.

Motion by Quandt to approve the Technical Advisory Committee Bylaw Amendment, seconded by O'Neill. Upon roll call vote, all voted in favor.

Approval of Public Participation Plan for the Development of the Performance Based Long Range Transportation Plan

Adams notified the Policy Board that due to time constraints the Technical Advisory Committee approved the Public Involvement Plan, which is a key component for the Long Range Transportation Plan. By TAC moving forward this allowed the forty five (45) day comment period to begin as soon as possible and keep this project on track.

Motion by Haase to approve the Public Participation Plan for the Development of the Performance Based Long Range Transportation Plan, seconded by Zumwalt. Upon roll call, all voted in favor.

Approval of FY 2016 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)

Adams notified the Policy Board this is a required document of the MPO and outlines the work activities in which Federal Funds are to be used. This work program addresses transit needs throughout the City and will focus on the door to door service currently being offered by the County through the interlocal agreement with the City. Adams noted the personnel task and hours will be added as part of this work program also.

Update on Transit Needs Analysis Plan

Adams stated this plan was previously approved by the Policy Board as an amendment and will allow the City to receive funds directly. It is anticipated that an RFP for the transit needs analysis will be ready July 2015 and will be quality based verifying if needs are being met or if there are holes in transit within the City. This is a 6-8 month process and is in connection with the Long Range Transportation Plan.

Long Range Transportation Plan Stakeholder Meeting – June 29, 2015 (2pm-4pm at the Heartland Event Center's Bosselman Conference Center)

Nabity stated official invites will go out this Friday (6/12/15) and all are encouraged to spread the word and get the public involved in attending this workshop. There will be a presentation and then the floor will be open for public comment. Stoltenberg noted there will be a similar meeting from 5:30pm to 7:30pm in the same location as the TAC meeting for the general public and media. Again, all Policy Board members are encouraged to attend and gather public involvement.

Next Meeting Date

The next meeting date will be August 25, 2015 at 4:00 pm at City Hall.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Mayor Jensen adjourned the meeting at 4:21 pm.