

SIouxLAND REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ASSOCIATION (SRTPA)
Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)

Minutes of the Wednesday, January 14, 2015 Meeting

1:30 p.m.

SIMPCO, 1122 Pierce Street, Sioux City, Iowa

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dave Carney, Chair	Monona County
Patrick Mouw, Vice Chair	Ida County
Brenda Berens	Siouxland Regional Transit System (SRTS)
Brandon Billings	Cherokee County
Mark Nahra	Woodbury County
Tom Rohe	Plymouth County

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Scott Langel	City of Le Mars
John Meis	City of Cherokee

NON-VOTING MEMBERS:

Dakin Schultz	Iowa Department of Transportation (Iowa DOT)
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STAFF:

Michelle Bostinelos, Dep. Director/Transp. Planning Director	Siouxland Interstate Metropolitan Planning Council
Jacob Heil, Transportation Planner	Siouxland Interstate Metropolitan Planning Council
Christopher Klove, Transportation Planner	Siouxland Interstate Metropolitan Planning Council
Kathryn Pfaffle, GIS/Transportation Planner	Siouxland Interstate Metropolitan Planning Council
Dawn Kimmel, Mobility Manager	Siouxland Interstate Metropolitan Planning Council
Sharon Burton, Executive Assistant	Siouxland Interstate Metropolitan Planning Council

The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) met on Thursday, January 14, 2015, at 1:30 p.m., in the Meisner Conference Room at SIMPCO, 1122 Pierce Street, Sioux City, Iowa. A quorum was present.

Dave Carney, Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

- I. **Approval of the Agenda** – Chair Carney asked if there were any corrections to the January 14, 2015 agenda.
Mark Nahra moved to approve the January 14, 2015 agenda as presented, seconded by Patrick Mouw. No further discussion. Motion carried with all ayes.
- II. **Approval of the Minutes** – Chair Carney asked if there were any corrections to the minutes of the November 19, 2014 regular meeting.
Tom Rohe moved to approve the minutes of November 19, 2014 regular meeting as presented, seconded by Brandon Billings. No further discussion. Motion carried with all ayes.
- III. **Review Monthly Correspondence** – Michelle Bostinelos provided an overview of the director's report included in the meeting packet.

Jacob Heil has been working with Siouxland Regional Transit System on an Emergency Management Plan. Mr. Heil explained the plan will assist Emergency Managers within the five counties on availability of buses in case of an emergency evacuation.

Ms. Bostinelos and Dawn Kimmel, Mobility Manager, held discussions with the United Way of Siouxland and the Siouxland Comprehensive Strategy group about the Transportation Advisory Group (TAG), area mobility and available transportation services.

Staff continues to participate in the Iowa DOT quarterly meetings with the state Regional Planning Affiliations (RPAs).

Staff organized a transportation panel for the Siouxland Legislative Forum co-sponsored by SIMPCO and Western Iowa Tech Community College on December 5.

Staff wrote a letter of support for the city of Onawa's TIGER grant application. Ms. Bostinelos noted the City has also expressed interest in applying for a Revitalize Iowa's Sound Economy (RISE) Program grant.

- IV. **Transportation Improvement Progress Report** – Dakin Schultz with Iowa DOT reported the first letting this next cycle for U.S. Highway 20 would be the detour onto D22 (old U.S. 20) south of Correctionville. He reported the first two I-29 projects for work in 2015 have been let – southbound through Sergeant Bluff, which is the last of Segment 1, and the two-year project that includes replacement of the southbound Floyd River Bridge, all pavement and the northbound Bacon Creek and Floyd River bridge.

TAC members discussed projects in their respective areas.

- V. **Officer Elections** – Chair Carney opened the floor to nominations for Chair.

Tom Rohe nominated Patrick Mouw as Chair, seconded by Mark Nahra. No further discussion. Motion carried with six ayes and one nay (Patrick Mouw, Ida County).

Tom Rohe nominated Mark Nahra as Vice Chair, seconded by Dave Carney. No further discussion. Motion carried with all ayes.

- VI. **FY 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendments and Administrative Modifications** – Michelle Bostinelos asked members to review the FY 2015-2018 TIP tables included in the meeting packet. She noted amendments or administrative modifications to projects programmed in fiscal year 2015 should be addressed at this time. Projects programmed in the later years can be amended in the next TIP. Members did not have amendments or administrative modifications at this time.

- VII. **Review of Surface Transportation Program (STP) / Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) project/past funding distribution spreadsheets** – Michelle Bostinelos handed out copies of the STP and TAP applications. She noted this will be the second year in using this application and asked members to let her know if they would like additional changes or questions.

Ms. Bostinelos presented the balance sheet showing past STP/TAP projects and funding distribution. She noted the Iowa DOT has not released targets for fiscal year 2019 so numbers from last year will be used. Discussion followed.

Ms. Bostinelos reported STP/TAP applications will be emailed, mailed and posted on the SIMPCO website on January 23, 2015.

- VIII. **Additional Comments** – The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 18, 2015, at 1:30 p.m.

Michelle Bostinelos reported the Iowa DOT is hosting a public input meeting on January 22, 2015 regarding proposed improvements to Iowa 3 in Cherokee County from the Plymouth County line to the east city limits of Cleghorn. The next U.S. Highway 20 Corridor meeting will be held January 16 in Sac City and the Siouxland Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual Chamber Des Moines Legislative Day on February 3.

Dakin Schultz reported the Iowa DOT is accepting applications for the Urban Youth Corps and directed members to the DOT website for additional information.

Mr. Schultz noted it has been brought to the DOT's attention that not many communities in Northwest Iowa are utilizing sign replacement funding. Discussion followed. Members requested Mr. Schultz email information on the program.

Mr. Schultz reported a large ADA project is planned for this year that will impact just about every county in Northwest Iowa. He noted plans for the project are available on the DOT website.

Mr. Schultz discussed using Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) funds for sidewalks.

- IX. **Adjournment** – *Mark Nahra moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Brandon Billings. No further discussion. Motion carried with all ayes.* Chair Carney adjourned the meeting at 3:40 p.m.