

MPO POLICY BOARD
Minutes
June 07, 2022
2:00 pm
Virtual/ Tippecanoe County Office

The meeting was held virtually. Members of the public may watch the livestream of the meeting at <https://www.facebook.com/TippecanoeCountyIndiana> or <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCJleeA9ZQo9E11GdZTdjurQ/featured>

Members Present

Tony Roswarski	Mayor, City of Lafayette
John Dennis	Mayor, City of West Lafayette
Peter Bunder	President, West Lafayette Council
Tom Murtaugh (proxy for David Byers)	Tippecanoe County Commissioners
Larry Leverenz	President, Area Plan Commission
Ben Murray	Chair, GLPTC
Perry Brown	President, Lafayette City Council
Shane Spears	INDOT
Cindy Murray (proxy for Gary Henriott)	City of Lafayette

Absent Voting Members

Kevin Underwood	President, County Council
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Non-Voting Members Present

Tim Stroshine	APC
Doug Poad	APC
Aria Staiger	APC
Jennifer Ewen	APC
David Hittle	APC
Stu Kline	Tippecanoe County Highway
Dave Griffiee	Lafayette City Engineer
Jeromy Grenard	City of Lafayette
Randy Anderson	Interim CityBus Manager

Tony Roswarski called the meeting to order at 2:05 PM, and he conducted a roll call of the members present.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

John Dennis moved to approve the minutes from the May 12, 2022 meeting. Perry Brown seconded, and the minutes, as submitted, were approved by unanimous roll call vote.

II. RESOLUTION T-22-06: RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE FY 2022-2026 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)

Doug Poad said we have received a request from the Crawfordsville District Office to amend the TIP, and it involves 10 projects of which all 10 projects are programmed in the TIP. We will be making minor changes to all of them, and that includes changing the phase dates for some, changing funding amounts for several phases, adding phases, changing the scope of one project, and changing the location of another. Within the staff report, there are six projects in which we will be changing the phases from 2022 to either 2023, 2024, or 2026. Three projects will be moved to 2023 and they are the bridge deck overlays on the US 52 bridge over the Norfolk Southern Railroad specifically the right-of-way phase, I-65 southbound bridge over the Norfolk Southern Railroad the utility phase, and I-65 and SR 38 pavement restoration construction phase. The right-of-way phase of the I-65 pipe lining project will move to 2024, and that is in the south

eastern part of the county, and the construction phase of the two auxiliary lane projects on US 52 will move from 2022 to 2026.

The construction costs for the two US 52 auxiliary lanes projects increased, and the cost for the pavement restoration at the I-65 and SR 38 interchange decreased.

The amendment request includes adding the utility phase to two projects, and they are the US 52 bridge over the Gaylord Branch and the I-65 northbound bridge over the Norfolk Southern Railroad.

Several changes will occur to the SR 225 bridge over the Wabash River with this amendment. The scope will change from bridge rehabilitation or repair project to a truss reconstruction or repair project, and we added a right-of-way phase, and it is anticipated to begin in FY 2023.

The last change is a project location. The TIP currently shows bridge joint repairs or replacement at the CR 100 W bridge over I-65, and this amendment changes the project location to the CR 500 W bridge over the Interstate.

The amendment has been reviewed by the Technical Transportation Committee at their meeting last month, and they recommend approval, and APC staff is also recommending approval.

Tony Roswarski conducted a roll call vote to approve **Resolution T-22-06**.

Yes-Votes

Ben Murray
Larry Leverenz
Tom Murtaugh
Peter Bunder
Cindy Murray
John Dennis
Perry Brown
Shane Spears

No-Votes

(None)

Tony Roswarski noted **Resolution T-22-06** has been approved by unanimous roll call vote.

**III. APC PROGRESS REPORT
MPO Update
2050 MTP Adoption**

Tim Stroshine said that we are in a different situation than we have been in the past. In the past when we put together the long range transportation plan, we would make a draft and then get public comments. What is different this time is we received some comments from INDOT regarding some significant changes that they wanted to some of the wording in the plan, and we were not able to make those changes to the plan until last week, so the version that we have of the plan now is not the same version that was put out for public comment on April 29th. Since the changes are significant in our minds, we talked with Federal Highway and the Federal Highway was not completely aware of everything that INDOT was asking us to change, and we are the first MPO to get a request like this for changes. INDOT and the Federal Highway are going to be working together to sort that out, and then we are all going to come together to get some kind of uniform opinion on these changes.

However, we do have a deadline to adopt a new Transportation Plan, so we do need to adopt something. After consulting with Federal Highway and talking amongst our staff, what we think the best plan to do is to adopt the plan we put out on April 29th as the initial adoption, and then we will do some amendments to reconcile all these potential changes as we receive guidance.

John Dennis moved to approve **Resolution T-22-08**. Tom Murtaugh seconded, and the motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Yes-Votes

Ben Murray
Larry Leverenz
Tom Murtaugh
Peter Bunder
Cindy Murray
John Dennis
Perry Brown
Shane Spears

No-Votes

(None)

Unified Planning Work Plan (UPWP) Adoption

David Hittle said we received final comments from INDOT, and we have been incorporating them into the UPWP. We now come to the Policy Board with Resolution T-22-07 with indication the Policy Board approves the UPWP, and with that we are able to send this off for final acceptance by INDOT.

John Dennis moved to approve **Resolution T-22-07**. Perry Brown seconded, and the motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Yes-Votes

Ben Murray
Larry Leverenz
Tom Murtaugh
Peter Bunder
Cindy Murray
John Dennis
Perry Brown
Shane Spears

No-Votes

(None)

Dayton Sidewalk Condition Survey and ADA Mobility Assessment

Doug Poad said we did two different things in Dayton regarding their sidewalks. We looked at the condition of their sidewalks and we did an ADA Assessment. The sidewalk conditions were ranked from excellent to failed, and there are several sidewalks within the town that have failed. We also looked at spot issues. We looked at heaving, sinking, missing, cracking, spalling, utilities, trees, grass, and encroachment. We put together two maps one for east side Dayton, and one for west side Dayton. By looking at these maps, you can see for each sidewalk segment what issues we observed when doing our assessment. The ADA Mobility Assessment we looked at the sidewalks that were under 4' and pointed those out; and we looked at the cross slope and the running slope; and we also looked at the horizontal clearance, vertical clearance, and height clearance of the sidewalks. All of the ADA issues we address individually. Lastly, we did a seven-factor analysis. There were no sidewalks that received a score of 8 or worse. There were three sidewalks that had 7 issues, and seven sidewalks that had 6 issues. Most of the sidewalks had between 1-4 issues. This summer we plan to look at the ramps and do that assessment.

Federal Funding Obligation

Doug Poad said we have obligated all of our FY 2022 funds that we needed to for this fiscal year. The report did show that we obligated the funds for the Sagamore Parkway Trail. We did receive the FY 2022 sharing agreement, and it did show we received a bit more of federal funds for this fiscal year, and the good news is we have until September 30th to obligate these funds. We do have a small balance of \$316,999, and we will be looking at how to allocate and obligate those funds with our Technical Transportation Committee. We did receive new funding targets for FY 2023-2026, and over the four-year period, we will be receiving over 5 million dollars for those years, and we will be addressing FY 2023 with our Technical

Transportation Committee next week and bring it back to the Policy Board in July. We will address FY 2024-2026 after we develop a new TIP later this year.

INDOT 18-Month Letting List

Doug Poad said the list is considerably shorter than it has been in the past. Project #4, Yeager Road Project is on an October letting, and Project #9, McCutcheon Pedestrian Safety Project is on a November letting; they are both good to go. We have no projects that will be let until September, and Projects #5, #6, and #7 have been moved to a November letting. Project #15, Auxiliary Lanes Project has moved from 2025 to 2023. We have two new projects both are on SR 38 and are Bridge Deck Overlays over the Elliott Ditch.

IV. QUARTERLY REPORTS

Tim Stroshine said for Tippecanoe County, both the Klondike Road and Lindberg Road projects are very close to being closed out. They are both in the final phases. River Road and CR 500 N, the County will be coordinating with West Lafayette on this project. It is close to some of the work happening in West Lafayette, so they have agreed to coordinate on the maintenance of traffic there. Morehouse Road, both phases are on track, and we are still working with the Highway Department figuring out exactly how much funding needs to go to each phase for this split. Yeager Road, there is 1 parcel in condemnation, but once that is sorted out the right-of-way will be complete for that project. McCutcheon Pedestrian Safety Project, the Environmental Report has been completed. Bridge #80 and Bridge #83, we received the first quarterly report for each of those, and both of these projects will let together. The next cycle of the County Bridge Inspection program has started. We did not receive a quarterly report because it is in a holding pattern until later on in the year.

Tim Stroshine said for Lafayette, Twyckenham Boulevard Project and Concord Road Trail Lighting Project have both been closed out, and Park East Boulevard Project is close to being closed out. South 9th Street Project, there were questions about the historical status of the Norma Jean Subdivision, and that is going to impact the schedule. After that is sorted out, Lafayette City Engineering will get us an adjusted project schedule.

Tim Stroshine said for West Lafayette, the Sagamore Parkway Trail was let and is showing in INDOT's reports, and construction is expected to begin in June.

V. OTHER BUSINESS

None.

VI. CITIZEN COMMENTS

There was a one-minute pause to allow for public comments. There were none.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

John Dennis moved to adjourn. Tom Murtaugh seconded, and the meeting was adjourned by unanimous roll call vote.

The meeting adjourned at 2:35 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer A. Ewen
Recording Secretary

Reviewed By,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Hittle", with a horizontal line underneath.

David Hittle
Executive Director