

BINGHAMTON METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION STUDY
PLANNING COMMITTEE
September 24, 2015
MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Robert Bennett at 1:33pm.

OPENING

- Roll Call

Members Present:

Robert Bennett, Village of Johnson City Public Works
Gary Campo, Town of Vestal Engineer
Gary Hammond, Tioga County
Frank Evangelisti, Broome County Planning
Gregory Kilmer, Broome County Public Transportation
Terry Kellogg, City of Binghamton DPW
Debra Standing, Town of Owego
Elaine Jardine, Tioga County Planning
Lou Caforio, Town of Union
Alex Urda, Town of Chenango
Gordon Kniffen, Kirkwood
Jen Gregory, Southern Tier East

Others Present:

Cyndi Paddick, BMTS Central Staff
Jennifer Yonkoski, BMTS Central Staff
John Sterbentz, BMTS Central Staff
Scott Reigle, BMTS Central Staff
Tom Sullivan, BMTS Central Staff
Cassandra Gascon, BMTS Central Staff – Intern
Leslie Boulton, Broome County DPW
Brendan O’Bryan, Greater Binghamton Chamber of Commerce
Ron Coleman, NYSDOT RPPMO

- Approval of minutes from June 6, 2015 meeting. Motion made by G. Kilmer, seconded by D. Standing. Approved by consensus.
- Introduction of Tom Sullivan, BMTS Traffic Engineer.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT:

- No public comment.

ACTION ITEMS:

- BMTS Long Range Plan- Looking Forward 2040:** C. Paddick- The long range plan update is ready for approval. Updates to plan are made every 5 years. J. Yonkoski presented plan while C. Paddick explained some graphics and went through goals and objectives briefly, and explained in more detail the plan's projects. Some of these projects were in the last plan update but are not yet completed and are still valid so they remain in the current plan. Funding projections were reviewed. Stagnant funding is projected since without a long term transportation bill, the funding is uncertain. J. Sterbentz explained the maps and graphics in the plan and S. Reigle detailed the pavement ratings shown in the plan. There will be a sentence added to the ITS section about automated travel. **Resolution 2015-8-** Approval of Long Range Plan. Motion to approve Long Range Plan made by F. Evangelisti, seconded by G. Kniffen. Approved by consensus.

DISCUSSION ITEMS/UPDATES:

- Complete streets updates. S. Reigle gave an update on the BMTS Complete Streets Policy. The goal is to provide a comprehensive list of guidelines for all municipalities to follow. NYS adopted a complete streets checklist in their Complete Streets Plan. A federal legislation proposal for a Safe Streets Act has been made that will require complete street plans for municipalities.
- City of Binghamton Parking Study. C. Paddick gave updates. Nelson Nygaard is back for the next part of their study. Study should be completed by the end of the year.
- NYSDOT TIP Update. Call letter will be sent out in November/December. Included with the call letter will be a blank IPP that needs to be completed for each submitted project. Preservation is the priority for the TIP. Committee members should begin to think about possible projects.
- C. Paddick and R. Coleman detailed scheduling changes for projects
- I-88 Project. Design is underway.

BUSINESS OFFERED FROM THE FLOOR

- There was no business offered from the floor.

Motion to adjourn made by G. Hammond, seconded by G. Kilmer. Meeting adjourned at 2:15.