

BINGHAMTON METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION STUDY
PLANNING COMMITTEE
December 1st, 2016
MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Vern Myers at 1:34pm.

OPENING

- ✓ Roll Call

Members Present:

Robert Bennet, Village of Johnson City Public Services
Vernon Myers, Town of Vestal Engineering
Frank Evangelisti, Broome County Planning
Dan Schofield, BC Deputy Commissioner DPW
Greg Kilmer, Broome County Public Transportation
Elaine Jardine, Tioga County Planning
Gary Hammond, Tioga County Public Works
Kent Rapp, Village of Endicott
Leslie Boulton, Broome County Public Works
Lou Caforio, Town of Union Public Works
Pam Eshbaugh, NYSDOT Region 9 Planning

Advisory Members Present:

Brendan O'Bryan, Greater Bing. Chamber of Commerce
Lisa McCafferty, Tioga County Health Department

Others Present:

Jennifer Yonkoski, BMTS Central Staff
John Sterbentz, BMTS Central Staff
Scott Reigle, BMTS Central Staff
Cassandra Gascon, BMTS Central Staff
Cyndi Paddick, BMTS Central Staff
Gautam Mani, Local FHWA Liaison

- ✓ Approval of minutes from September 9, 2016 meeting. Motion made by G. Kilmer, seconded by T. Kellogg. Approved by consensus.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT:

- ✓ G. Mani, the local FHWA representative, introduced himself and discussed his role with BMTS. He is a resource for BMTS should they need assistance or guidance on transportation planning topics.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

- ✓ V. Myers explained that he and Committee Chair R. Bennet are willing to stay in their positions as Vice-Chair and Chair for another two years unless other people would like to replace them. No discussion followed.

Motion: G. Hammond, second L. Caforio. Approved by consensus.

ACTION ITEMS:

2017-2021 Transportation Improvement Program

- ✓ Resolution 2016-17, Recommending Policy Committee approval of an amendment to the 2017-2021 Transportation Improvement Program, adding a table and text showing planning targets for the BMTS region and confirming that the TIP is fiscally constrained.

Motion: G. Hammond, second V. Myers. Approved by consensus.

DISCUSSION ITEMS/UPDATES:

✓ **2017-2018 UPWP Project Solicitation**

J. Yonkoski explained that BMTS has been looking for projects for the 2017-2018 UPWP. Some new projects that have already been selected are a household travel survey to be conducted by a consultant, and pedestrian counts around local trails, which will involve purchasing some new equipment.

✓ **2106 Pavement Condition Rating Summary**

S. Reigle gave brief presentation on how pavement rating is done each year, what the criteria for scoring roads are, and what is done with the results. The results are compiled and municipalities are sent a report of their poorly rated roads. J. Sterbentz explained a map that displayed the ratings for some roads in the area.

✓ **Pavement Maintenance Study Follow-up**

C. Gascon explained the initial results of the pavement maintenance survey that was distributed to the planning committee about a month ago. Only 9 municipalities responded to the survey, which was not ideal but enough to compile a report with. If any municipality would still like to take the survey, it is still active and can be taken. Report will be completed in 2017.

✓ **Transportation Alternatives solicitation**

P. Eshbaugh gave an update on TAP. Applications were due a couple of months ago. There were many applications statewide, and 6 applications were submitted by the municipalities in the Region. Announcement on selected applications has not yet been made.

✓ **Bridge NY**

P. Eshbaugh detailed the status of Bridge NY. There were many submissions in the area.

✓ **Local and NYSDOT Project Updates**

R. Coleman went through the distributed list of local projects and gave a quick update on them. If there are any mistakes, R. Coleman should be notified. K. Rapp asked if it is possible to start projects earlier than their let date/year. R. Coleman said that they can as long as an agreement is made beforehand with county/state for reimbursement for the work.

BUSINESS OFFERED FROM THE FLOOR

The next meeting will occur on the 2nd or 3rd Thursday of March instead of the 4th. Date is TBD.

Motion to adjourn made by G. Hammond, seconded by F. Evangelisti. Meeting adjourned at 2:00pm.