

Binghamton Metropolitan Transportation Study
Planning Committee Meeting
April 11th, 2019
Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bob Bennett at 1:31 p.m.

Roll Call:

Members Present:

Robert Bennett, Chair, Village of Johnson City Public Services
Vernon Myers, Vice-Chair, Town of Vestal
Frank Evangelisti, Broome County Planning
Greg Kilmer, Broome County Public Transportation
Gary Hammond, Tioga County Public Works
Lou Caforio, Town of Union
Pam Eshbaugh, NYSDOT Region 9 Planning
Elaine Jardine, Tioga County
Alex Urda, Town of Chenango Engineer
Marty Shaw, Village of Endicott
Brian Coddington, Town of Conklin

Others Present:

Jennifer Yonkoski, BMTS Central Staff
Cyndi Paddick, BMTS Central Staff
Leigh McCullen, BMTS Central Staff
Scott Faulkner, McFarland Johnson
Younes Drihmi, McFarland Johnson
Ron Coleman, NSDOT Region 9

- Approval of minutes of the February 28th, 2018 meeting. Motion made by Kilmer, seconded by M. Shaw. Approved by consensus.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ACTION ITEMS

2017-2021 TIP Amendment

[Resolution 2019-05, Recommending Policy Committee approval of an amendment to the 2017-2021 Transportation Improvement Program] PIN 9FTA19, addition of \$0.465 to the 2019 FTA Section 5307

J. Yonkoski explained that Operating Assistance funds have been released and the amount is higher than originally programmed on the TIP.

- ✓ F. Evangelisti made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-05. L. Boulton seconded the motion. Approved by consensus.

DISCUSSION ITEMS / UPDATES

Draft 2020-2024 TIP – Release for Public Review

J. Yonkoski explained that the TIP subcommittee had selected projects for the draft TIP. She said that following a 30-day public review period, the TIP would be brought to the Planning Committee for a recommendation to the Policy Committee, then a meeting would be scheduled with the Policy Committee on June 30 for final adoption. She advised the committee that there were no signal blocks on the proposed TIP but that the subcommittee had decided instead to program specific signal projects on the TIP. She stated that final design and construction for the 363 gateway project had been placed on the TIP by NYSDOT. She reminded the committee that they had previously agreed to put the predesign of this on the 2017-2021 with the understanding that final design and construction would be placed on the TIP only after the committee had become more fully aware of how the project would be designed and how it would operate. She also stated that the TIP would include a list of illustrative projects that were not being funding on this TIP but could be later if funds become available. She advised the committee to submit any projects, including a description and cost estimate, that they would like included on the illustrative list.

B. Bennett said that the subcommittee had put in a lot of effort and much discussion about which projects to fund. He said it was particularly difficult because there were little funds available and projects were expensive.

Local Project Updates

R. Coleman provided an update on the progress of local projects.

Business Offered from The Floor

L. Boulton advised that there was a new a preferred consultant list had been prepared and that if you any would like to use the list to let her know.

E. Jardine asked if the village of Owego could use local signage in addition to MUTCD signs to identify parking. C. Paddick said she would find out and let her know.

V. Meyers stated that he would be sending out invoices and letters to all municipalities who have Two Rivers Greenway signs. He said the letter would include a request for payment and would ask that the municipality state their level of satisfaction with the installed signs.

J. Yonkoski advised the committee that the pedestrian/bicycle trail counters have been ordered and that BMTS would be scheduling a training with Eco Counter. She said that the counters should be installed late spring or early summer of this year.

NEXT MEETING DATE – June 6th @ 1:30pm

Motion to adjoin by G. Hammond, seconded by F. Evangelisti. Meeting adjointed at 2:28pm