

BINGHAMTON METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION STUDY  
POLICY COMMITTEE

June 8, 2017

11:00 a.m.

Broome County Office Building, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor Legislative Conference Room

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Mike Marinaccio, at 11:01 a.m.

Members Present

- Supervisor Michael Marinaccio, Town of Dickinson, Chair
- Legislator Michael Roberts, Tioga County, Vice-Chair
- Commissioner Matthew Driscoll, NYSDOT, *represented by Jack Williams, Region 9*
- County Executive Jason Garnar, Broome County
- Mayor Richard David, City of Binghamton
- Mayor John Bertoni, Village of Endicott, *represented by Martin Shaw*
- Mayor Greg Deemie, Village of Johnson City
- Supervisor Donald Castellucci, Jr., Town of Owego
- Supervisor Rose Sotak, Town of Union, *represented by Robert Mack*
- Supervisor John Schaffer, Town of Vestal
- Donna Howell, Regional Director, NYS Department of Economic Development, *represented by Sabina Mora*
- Jennifer Gregory, STERPDB, *represented by Frank Evangelisti*

Members Absent

- Supervisor Harold Snopek, Town of Chenango
- Supervisor Gordon Kniffen, Town of Kirkwood
- Mayor Steven May, Village of Owego

Others Present

Jenn Yonkoski, BMTS

Cassandra Gascon, BMTS

Scott Reigle, BMTS

Cyndi Paddick, BMTS

Pam Eshbaugh, NYSDOT

Ron Romanosky, NYSDOT

Ann Leo, NYSDOT

***APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF March 9, 2017, MEETING***

The spelling of Martin Shaw's (representative for the Village of Endicott) name was changed from "Show" to "Shaw"

Robert Mack motioned to approve the minutes; Mayor Deemie seconded. The minutes were unanimously approved.

***OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT***

The Chair, Mike Marinaccio opened the floor for comment.

There were no public comments.

## ***ACTION ITEMS***

**2017-2021 TIP Amendments**

Resolution 2017-13; Approving an amendment to the 2017-2021 Transportation Improvement Program; PIN 9TGD18 Guide Rail Requirements Contract, increase C & CI phases.

Pam Eshbaugh, NYSDOT, explained that PIN 9TDD18 drainage work and money would be folded into the PIN 9TGD18 guiderail contract.

Robert Mack motioned to approve the resolution; Mayor Deemie seconded. The resolution was unanimously approved.

- Resolution 2017-14; Approving an amendment to the 2017-2021 Transportation Improvement Program; PIN 903823 Rt. 434, Vestal Parkway Pedestrian Mobility Enhancements, move letting and increase DD, C, & CI phases.

Pam Eshbaugh reported that funds will be increased for construction and design utilizing the Safety HSIP block; additionally the letting has been moved from October 2017 to February 2018.

Mayor Deemie motioned to approve the resolution; Frank Evangelisti seconded. The resolution was unanimously approved.

- Resolution 2017-15; Approving an amendment to the 2017-2021 Transportation Improvement Program; Addition of two Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) projects; PIN 900940 Farm-to-Market Pedestrian Improvements Project and PIN 900943 Vestal High School Pedestrian Improvement Project.

Pam Eshbaugh reported that both the Farm-to-Market project (\$0.501 M) and the Vestal High School project (\$0.657 M) were selected through the statewide competitive process.

Supervisor Schaffer motioned to approve the resolution; Mayor Deemie seconded. The resolution was unanimously approved.

- Resolution 2017-16; Approving an amendment to the 2017-2021 Transportation Improvement Program; PIN 982115, moving FTA Section 5339 FFY 14 funds to the current TIP and increasing the dollar amount.

Jenn Yonkoski, BMTS, reported that the unused FTA Section 5339 FFY 2014 TIP funds (\$0.326 M) will be moved to the current TIP.

Robert Mack motioned to approve the resolution; Mayor Deemie seconded. The resolution was unanimously approved.

- Resolution 2017-19; Recommending Policy Committee approval of an amendment to the 2017-2021 Transportation Improvement Program; PIN 975408, increase C and CI funds

Changing the scope of the project in the city of Binghamton project to include upgrading the traffic signal at the fire station on State Street in addition to the original scope of upgrading the signal at the intersection of Hawley and State Streets. The increase in funds will be taken out of the local signal block.

Mayor David motioned to approve the resolution; Mayor Deemie seconded. The resolution was unanimously approved.

☐ **Unified Operations Plan**

Resolution 2017-17; Approving amendments to the Unified Operations Plan (UOP).

Jenn Yonkoski reported that last year's approved Unified Operations Plan (UOP) has been amended for this year. Three Advisory Member municipalities will be deleted (town of Nichols, village of Candor, and village of Nichols), the Broome County Health Department representative will be changed to the Director, and added two additional exceptions for project changes not requiring modifications or amendments to the TIP.

Mayor Deemie motioned to approve the resolution; Supervisor Schaffer seconded. The resolution was unanimously approved.

☐ **Unified Operations Plan**

Resolution 2017-18; Accepting the village of Endicott Unwarranted Traffic Signal Study as complete.

Cyndi Paddick, BMTS, reported on the results of the study.

Martin Shaw motioned to approve the resolution; Robert Mack seconded. The resolution was unanimously approved.

***DISCUSSION ITEMS / UPDATES***

☐ **ADA Transition Plan – City of Binghamton Pilot Project**

Cassandra Gascon, BMTS, displayed a PowerPoint presentation giving examples of the data collected. Cassandra showed a map of all the intersections in the city of Binghamton which were rated on a scale of 1-5 (1 being bad and 5 being good). Town of Vestal will be rated next.

Mayor David noted that the city of Binghamton rehabilitates 15 miles of road a year and he thanked BMTS for their effort.

☐ **Local and NYSDOT Project Updates**

Scott Reigle, BMTS, announced that BMTS Smart Growth has received recognition by the National Complete Streets Coalition. BMTS Complete Streets Policy placed 5<sup>th</sup> nationwide of over 200 adopted policies in 2016. This is a testament to the hard work that went into BMTS's policy. Scott thanked the NYSDOT, the BC Health Department, and the BMTS Pedestrian Advisory Committee. It was a great team effort.

Jack Williams, NYSDOT, discussed the progress of the local highway lighting agreements. NYSDOT is committed to investing in highway lighting working in conjunction with the municipalities. Jack asked the committee to reach out to the Planning Members to contact NYSDOT if they have any high priority areas for lighting in the upcoming year.

Jack then gave brief summaries of the following NYSDOT Construction Projects:

**Prospect Mountain:** The final phase of the project is 30 percent complete; the westbound flyover bridge will be complete by the end of 2017; the viaduct bridge will be rebuilt by the end of 2017 as well, which will take traffic off the temporary bridge; noise walls are being installed at every location that met criteria.

**Route 434 Greenway Phase 1:** Phase 1 of the project is 30 percent complete and will be substantially complete this year.

**Route 434 Greenway Phase 2:** Stakeholder and property owner meetings are being held and/or being scheduled. Phase 2 is scheduled to be let next fall.

**Route 363 Gateway:** This project is still in the early stages; NYSDOT is developing feasible alternatives and a public outreach strategy.

**Interstate 88 Connector Project:** NYSDOT is removing concrete where it has deteriorated and filling it with blacktop. The finished surface will be profiled to make the ride smoother.

**Southern Tier Welcome Center:** The Gateway is under construction to be enhanced as a Welcome Center. Tentative completion is expected Labor Day weekend.

### ***BUSINESS OFFERED FROM THE FLOOR***

No additional business was offered.

### ***2017 MEETING SCHEDULE***

- The next Policy Meeting is proposed for September 14, 2017, at 11:00 a.m. An announcement will be sent out.

A motion to adjourn was made by Superintendent Schaffer; it was seconded by Robert Mack. The meeting was adjourned at 11:46a.m.