

BINGHAMTON METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION STUDY  
POLICY COMMITTEES

March 3, 2022

11:00 a.m.

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

The meeting was called to order by the Committee Chair, Mike Marinaccio, at 11:00 a.m.

Policy Members Present

- Supervisor Michael Marinaccio, Town of Dickinson, Chair
- Supervisor JoAnne Klenovic, Town of Chenango, Vice-Chair
- County Executive Jason Garnar, Broome County
- Ron Ciotoli, Tioga County Legislator
- Mayor Jared Kraham, City of Binghamton
- Mayor Linda Jackson, Village of Endicott
- Supervisor Lew Grubham, Town of Kirkwood
- Supervisor Rick Materese, Town of Union
- Supervisor John Schaffer, Town of Vestal
- Commissioner Marie Therese Dominguez, NYSDOT, *represented by Brian Kelly, Region 9*
- Bob Sweet, NYS Department of Economic Development

Policy Members Absent

- Mayor Martin Meaney, Village of Johnson City
- Supervisor Donald Castellucci, Jr., Town of Owego
- Jennifer Gregory, Southern Tier 8

Others Present

Jenn Yonkoski, BMTS  
Scott Reigle, BMTS  
Leigh McCullen, BMTS  
Cyndi Paddick, BMTS  
Katie Cahill, Broome County  
Ray Tomczak, Federal Transit Administration  
Nicole McGrath, FHWA  
Pam Eshbaugh, NYSDOT

***APPROVAL OF MINUTES DECEMBER 9, 2021, POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING***

Supervisor Schaffer motioned to approve the minutes; Supervisor Klenovic seconded. The minutes were unanimously approved.

***OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT***

The Committee Chair, Mike Marinaccio, opened the floor for public comment.

There were no public comments.

***ACTION ITEMS***

- 2022-2023 Unified Planning Work Program**  
**[Resolution 2022-01, Approving the Draft 2022-2023 Unified Planning Work Program and associated grant budgets]**

Jennifer Yonkoski, BMTS, reviewed the Primary Tasks of BMTS; Unified Planning Work Program including implementing national transportation policy, addressing planning emphasis areas issued by FHWA and FTA, addressing emphasis areas of the NYSDOT that are intended to implement the state's policies for metropolitan transportation planning, and addressing any local emphasis areas. Jennifer highlighted items in the UPWP draft. BMTS' fiscal year is April 1, 2022, through March 31, 2023.

Brian Kelly motioned to approve the resolution; Supervisor Grubham seconded. The resolution was unanimously approved.

□ **Public Participation Plan Update**  
**[Resolution 2022-02, Approving the draft BMTS Public Participation Plan]**

Jennifer Yonkoski reviewed the updated Public Participation Plan. The main change is to incorporate the Virtual Public Involvement (VPI) option.

Bud Sweet motioned to approve the resolution; Supervisor Materese seconded. The resolution was unanimously approved.

□ **2020-2024 TIP Amendments**  
**[Resolution 2022-03, Approving an amendment to the 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program, addition of new Bridge NY project, PIN 975513, CR 20 over Main Street, bridge rehabilitation, project sponsor: Broome County]**

Addition to the TIP. Awarded through the Bridge NY program.

Supervisor Grubham motioned to approve the resolution; Brian Kelly seconded. The resolution was unanimously approved.

**[Resolution 2022-04, Approving an amendment to the 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program, addition of new Bridge NY project, PIN 975514, Main Street over Big Choconut Creek, bridge replacement, project sponsor: town of Vestal]**

Addition to the TIP. Awarded through the Bridge NY program.

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

**[Resolution 2022-05, Approving an amendment to the 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program, addition of new Bridge NY project, PIN 975526, Prospect Valley Road over Prospect Valley Creek, bridge replacement, project sponsor: town of Candor]**

Addition to the TIP. Awarded through the Bridge NY program.

Supervisor Klenovic motioned to approve the resolution; Supervisor Grubham seconded. The resolution was unanimously approved.

**[Resolution 2022-06, Approving an amendment to the 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program, addition of new freight project, PIN 950125, I-81 over Loughlin Road, pile retrofit, project sponsor: NYSDOT]**

Brian Kelly, NYSDOT, stated that statewide funding has been awarded to the region for this construction project. This project is a pair of bridges that are the last scour critical interstate bridges in the state. Piles will be drilled through the foundation.

Supervisor Grubham motioned to approve the resolution; Supervisor Materese seconded. The resolution was unanimously approved.

**[Resolution 2022-07, Approving an amendment to the 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program, addition of new freight project, PIN 950127, I-81 over 990G, general bridge repairs, project sponsor: NYSDOT]**

Brian Kelly again stated that statewide funding has been awarded to the region for this project. This project is aimed at routine bridge repairs on I-81

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

***DISCUSSION ITEMS / UPDATES***

**Village of Johnson City Sign Inventory**

Jennifer Yonkoski reported that BMTS completed a sign inventory for the Village of Johnson City. A database has been created. Johnson City has been provided with the information and the links to the data and the interactive map.

Vestal has requested a sign inventory in the future.

**Functional Class Changes**

Cyndi Paddick, BMTS, reported that Broome County and Broome Community College requested BMTS consider adding VanWinkle Drive to the functional class system as a federal aid roadway. The TIP subcommittee looked at the entire urban area to see if there were any other additions or deletions. The changes will go through a review process with BMTS, then NYSDOT will review, then FHWA will review.

**TIP Update: 2023–2027**

Jennifer Yonkoski gave an update to the 2023-2027 TIP. Projects were due mid-December. The TIP subcommittee has met and discussed the projects. BMTS is waiting for Main Office NYSDOT to provide guidance and planning targets.

**E-bike Regulation Guide**

Scott Reigle, BMTS, reviewed the BMTS E-Bike and E-Scooter Multi-Use Trail Regulation Guide. It can be used as a guide for municipalities developing their own regulations/best practices.

There was quite a bit of discussion on this subject.

The Town of Vestal has banned the use of motorized vehicles on their trails.

□ **NYSDOT Project Updates**

Brian Kelly reported that:

Route 79 over the Chenango River (D264552 PIN 921330) is a 2-year project where the existing bridge will be used during construction for the detour and then it will be removed. Tioga Construction is the prime contractor and they started site work and cofferdam construction early this year. Some reconstruction work will take place on Route 12 this season. Tioga Construction is anticipating the new bridge will be open in 2023 and then the existing bridge to be removed.

Route 11/12 Paving (D264493 PIN 901655) had all ADA ramps and sidewalk extensions completed in 2021. Milling, paving, and remaining work will be completed in the spring of 2022.

Clayton Avenue, Vestal, Signal Replacement project (D264355 PIN 9FAS20) will see Clayton Avenue and Service Road milling and paving, traffic signal installation, and the remaining pedestrian signal work done in the spring due to phasing problems caused by material delays. The new completion date is May 31, 2022.

I81 – Route 17 Interchange Concrete Pavement Friction Treatment project (D264506 PIN 950122) is in place because the existing concrete pavement has been found to have low friction (= slippery when wet) and this project will diamond-grind the surface to add friction and replace all pavement markings. The contractor will start back up work this spring and complete the remaining work. Some concrete repairs were completed last season; however, some areas need to be completed this spring. The completion date of the contract is May 31, 2022.

I-81/NY 11 Exit 5 Bridge project (D264357 PIN 904350) will be replacing the Route 11 bridge over I81 and intersection improvements with roundabouts in the Town of Dickinson. The project is progressing with the concrete deck being poured this spring and traffic will be shifted to the new bridge later this season. Following that, the existing bridge will be removed, the roundabout at the Old Front Street intersection and shared use path will be constructed. Roundabout construction occurring later this season will require up to 10 day exit closures to take place between SUNY Broome's spring and fall semesters. The scheduled completion date is December 31, 2022.

The Greenway - Route 434 project in Binghamton and Vestal (D264287 PIN 903826) was awarded to Bothar Construction on October 28, 2020. The contract is progressing with major work including drainage work, embankment construction, walkway moment slab construction, and underground utility work to take place this season. Bothar Construction finished installing the H pile and lagging wall construction in 2021. Precast panels will be installed over the piles and wooden lagging later in 2022. The contractor anticipates completing all traffic signal and Vestal Avenue / Route 434 reconstruction this season. The current completion date is June 2023.

***BUSINESS OFFERED FROM THE FLOOR***

There was no business offered from the floor.

***2022 MEETING SCHEDULE***

- The next Policy Meeting date will be June 9, 2022. An announcement will be sent out.

A motion to adjourn was made by Supervisor Schaffer; it was seconded by Supervisor Grubham. The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.