

Binghamton Metropolitan Transportation Study  
Planning Committee Meeting  
Monday, October 26, 2020 11:00am  
Virtual Meeting via Zoom

## Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bob Bennett at 11:00 a.m.

### **Roll Call:**

#### Members Present:

Robert Bennett, Chair, Village of Johnson City Public Services  
Vernon Myers, Vice-Chair, Town of Vestal  
Beth Lucas, Broome County Planning  
Gary Hammond, Tioga County Public Works  
Lou Caforio, Town of Union  
Leslie Boulton, Broome County Public Works  
Pam Eshbaugh, NYSDOT Region 9 Planning  
John Paddock, City of Binghamton  
Greg Kilmer, Broome County Transit  
Elaine Jardine, Tioga County  
Ray Standish, City of Binghamton

#### Others Present:

Jennifer Yonkoski, BMTS Central Staff  
Cyndi Paddick, BMTS Central Staff  
Leigh McCullen, BMTS Central Staff  
Scott Reigle, BMTS Central Staff  
Ashley Seyfried, BMTS Central Staff

Approval of September 24, 2020 minutes delayed to future meeting.

### **OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

No comments.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

#### **BMTS Long Range Transportation Plan: Moving our Future Forward 2045**

[Resolution 2020-06, Recommending approval of the BMTS Long Range Transportation Plan: Moving Our Future Forward 2045]

J. Yonkoski provided an overview of the plan. The 30-day public review for the plan ended on October 23,

2020. Comments from partners were received, reviewed, and incorporated. Jenn highlighted substantial changes, including:

- Equity and Environmental Justice – Text was added to the beginning of the plan FHWA to supplement analysis included in the appendix.
  - Infrastructure Chapter – Center lane miles was changed to lane miles to give a better reflect need.
  - Safety Chapter – table added to show high crash frequency locations.
  - Freight Chapter – Added two bridges carrying Route 17 over Route 17C and railroad bridges that do not meet vertical clearance standards.
  - Financial Plan– Removed the National Highway Freight Program and table of expenditures added.
  - Appendix – Statement regarding illustrative projects added.
- ✓ E. Jardine made a motion, seconded by G. Kilmer, to approve Resolution 2020-06, with the addition that Tioga Downs be added as a tourism destination. The resolution was approved by unanimous consent.

### DISCUSSION ITEMS / UPDATES

#### **BC Transit Bus Stop Design and Sign Guideline Study**

Representatives from Creighton Manning provided an overview of this study. The study is available for review at [www.bmtsonline.com](http://www.bmtsonline.com)

#### **NYSDOT TIP Amendment Request - <https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/governor-cuomo-announces-357-million-new-pavement-renewal-projects>**

J. Yonkoski provided an overview of this TIP Amendment and noted that it required a 7-day public comment period. E-ballots were to be sent to committee members following the comment period.

#### **Local Project Updates**

P. Eshbaugh provided an overview of the status of local projects.

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

B. Bennett advised the committee that he was retiring and that this was his last meeting. He thanked the committee and staff.

Motion to adjourn by R. Lake, seconded by R. Standish. Meeting adjourned at 12:03 pm.