



Executive Committee Conference Call Minutes

Wednesday, August 19, 2020

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Participating Members: Michael Aspacher, Jon Eckel, Doris Herringshaw, Patrick McColley, Matthew Oestreich, Theresa Pollick, Kay Reiter, Angie Ruiz, Edward Schimmel, Joseph Shaw, Edward Snyder, Craig Stough; **Member(s) Excused:** Robert Mack, Thomas Mackin, Mark Stahl; **Staff Present:** Jennifer Allen, William Best, Tim Brown, Lance Dasher, David Gedeon, Kari Gerwin, Mary Pat McCarthy, Gilda Mitchell, Mike Tippett

A regular meeting of the TMACOG Executive Committee was held via video/teleconference on Wednesday, August 19, 2020 at 10 a.m.

Call to Order/Roll Call – Vice Chair Kay Reiter chaired the meeting. Roll call was conducted, and a quorum was confirmed.

Approval of Minutes – A *motion* was made by Edward Snyder and *seconded* by Michael Aspacher to approve minutes from the May 20, 2020 meeting; the motion passed.

Chair's Remarks – Vice Chair Reiter opened the floor for comments and/or updates from committee members regarding COVID-19 relief funding. However, there were no comments. A list of upcoming events were referenced on agenda.

President's Report – Tim Brown reported on the Summer Caucuses with State Lawmakers: Teleconference 2020 that was held on July 28-29. The caucuses were well attended. Staff is planning a TMACOG Tech in the fall on the ins and outs of economic development. More information will follow as details are confirmed.

Due to ongoing concerns regarding the pandemic, the platform for the 2021 General Assembly will be held via a GoToMeeting teleconference. The meeting will be staggered over four days, Tuesday-Friday, January 19-22, 2021. More information will follow as details are confirmed.

Tim Brown provided update on letters that were sent to Governor DeWine, ODOT Director Jack Marchbanks, and Ohio Turnpike Commission Director Ferzan Ahmed several months ago regarding the need for NWO to have direct highway access to Columbus. The letters were well received. As a result, an amendment to the TMACOG FY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program will be requested to conduct a U.S. 23 corridor study.

Public Comment Period – There were no representatives from the public on the teleconference call.

Programmatic Councils Reports

Transportation Council – Council Chair Joseph Shaw and TMACOG V.P. of Transportation David Gedeon, presented the report, which was linked to the meeting agenda. A *motion* was made by Mr. Shaw and *seconded* by Edward Snyder to approve *Resolution No. 2020-16, Making Amendment #1 to the FY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program*. Patrick McColley abstained from voting. The motion passed.

A *motion* was made by Mr. Shaw and *seconded* by Mr. Snyder to approve *Resolution No. 2020-17, Adopting the TMACOG Complete Streets Policy*. Patrick McColley abstained from voting. The motion passed.

The City of Bowling Green submitted a request for intergovernmental review to TMACOG. Bowling Green submitted a grant application to the U.S. Economic Development Administration's Economic Development Assistance Program for their Woodbridge Business Park expansion project. A *motion* was made by Doris Herringshaw and *seconded* by Angie Ruiz, confirming the project is in compliance with local planning, does not conflict with any other local project, and meets the goals of the region. Michael Aspacher abstained from voting. The motion carried.

The Wood County Port Authority, City of Rossford, Wood County Board of Commissioners, and Northwestern Water and Sewer District submitted a request for intergovernmental review to TMACOG. These co-applicants submitted a grant application to the U.S. Economic Development Administration's Economic Development Assistance Program for the Deimling Road/Lime City Road Infrastructure Improvements project. A *motion* was made by Michael Aspacher and *seconded* by Doris Herringshaw, confirming the project is in compliance with local planning, does not conflict with any other local project, and meets the goals of the region. Theresa Pollick and Matthew Oestreich abstained from voting. The motion carried.

Water Quality Council – Chair Jon Eckel and TMACOG Director of Water Quality Planning Kari Gerwin, presented the reported, which was linked to the meeting agenda.

Administrative Committees Reports

Finance, Audit & Administration Committee – Chair Matthew Oestreich and TMACOG's Vice President of Finance and Administration presented the report.

Membership Committee – Chair Edward Schimmel presented the report, which was linked to the meeting agenda.

Communications Committee – Chair Theresa Pollick presented the report, which was linked to the meeting agenda. Mike Tippett, Digital Communications Manager, gave a preview of TMACOG's newly designed website.

Leadership Development Committee – Vice Chair Kay Reiter and Tim Brown presented the report, which was linked to the meeting agenda.

A *motion* was made by Angie Ruiz and *seconded* by Edward Snyder to accept all council and committee reports; the motion passed unanimously.

Any and All Other Business – There was no other business discussed.

Next Meeting/Adjournment – The next Executive Committee meeting is scheduled to take place on November 18th at 10 a.m. and will take place via GoToMeeting. A *motion* was made by Angie Ruiz and *seconded* by Edward Schimmel at 10:57 a.m. to adjourn the meeting; the motion passed unanimously.

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