



Rockford Metropolitan Agency For Planning

RMAP POLICY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, April 28, 2016
(Winnebago County)

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Scott Christiansen, Winnebago County; Mayor Mike Chamberlain, City of Belvidere; Mayor Jerry Bolin, Village of Machesney Park; Chairman Bob Walberg, Boone County; Mayor Larry Morrissey, City of Rockford; Mayor Darryl Lindberg, City of Loves Park; Ms. Kris Tobin, IDOT District #2.

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: Rockford Mass Transit District

OTHERS PRESENT: Michael P. Dunn, Jr., Jon Paul Diipla, Colin Belle, Michael Hren, Terrance Hall, Sydney Turner, RMAP Staff; Thomas Bona, EDDNI; Wayne Vlk, WCHD; Dan Jacobson, Loves Park; Brian Leaf, Rockford Register Star; Doug Delille, IDOT; Tim Savage, Machesney Park; Mike, Buda, Channel #23; Joe Altenholff, Arc Design.

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND REPRESENTATION: The meeting was called to order by Chairman Christiansen with a quorum present at 1:17 PM.

2. COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS:
Mr. Dunn informed the committee that on May 12 REMI may visit. Could convene a Tech/Policy meeting and Tech members to sit in on a local presentation and have REMI and G. McIntyre speak. RMAP is working internally on succession planning for REMI and other functions. May 16th will be the date of the next STP-U Ad-Hoc meeting.

3. RE-ORGANIZATION OF OFFICERS: Chairman Christiansen proposed that, effective at the conclusion of this meeting, the new Committee Chair be Mr. Chamberlain, with Mr. Bolin as the Committee's new Vice-Chair. Mr. Lindberg made a motion that it should be so, Chairman Christiansen seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous decision (7-0).

4. APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 25, 2016 RMAP POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES:
A motion to approve the February 25, 2016 minutes was made by Mr. Chamberlain, and seconded by Mr. Lindberg. The motion carried unanimously (7-0).

5. RMAP GREENWAYS PLAN– RMAP RESOLUTION 2016-4:
Mr. Dunn discussed the work performed by C. Belle, S. Turner, and RMAP staff on the RMAP Greenways Plan. Mr. Christiansen asked if we had archives of old plans. The committee discussed the nature of the Greenways Plan and its relationship to the LRTP and Bicycle-Pedestrian Plan. The board discussed the value of greenways for multiple purposes, including recreation and commuting. A motion to approve RMAP Resolution 2016-4 was made by Mr. Morrissey, and seconded by MR. Lindberg. Motion carried 6-1 with Chairman Walberg dissenting.

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6. RMAP FY 2016-2019 TIP AMENDMENT – RESOLUTION 2016-5:

Mr. Dunn introduced this Resolution to amend the RMAP TIP. The board discussed the projects for Winnebago County, IDOT and RMTD in the Amendment. A motion to approve RMAP Resolution 2016-5 was made by Mr. Chamberlain, and seconded by Mr. Bolin. Motion carried unanimously (7-0).

7. RMAP POLICY POSITION OF THE GREAT LAKES BASIN RAILROAD (GLBRR) PROJECT:

Mr. Dunn introduced the discussion on the GLBRR project to the committee, including maps and presentation boards. Mr. Dunn discussed the current proposed alignment, the likelihood that the alignment will change over the course of the three years of environmental analysis, and the submission of written comments to the Transportation Board by RMAP. The committee discussed the GLBRR proposal, the GLBRR alignment, the potential impacts the GLBRR might have on the region, and the process that will be gone through over the next several years. At the conclusion of the committee's discussion, Mr. Dunn was instructed to distribute a draft letter to the board members for their review and comment. No action was requested from the board at this time.

8. 3RD QUARTER FISCAL UPDATE:

Mr. Dunn discussed budgetary matters with the board. The board discussed the budget and related matters. Mr. Dunn clarified that there is no action requested of the board today.

9. REVIEW OF DRAFT FY 2017 UNIFIED WORK PROGRAM (UWP):

Mr. Dunn reviewed the FY 2017 UWP matters with the board. Action will be requested at the next meeting.

10. PROGRESS REPORTS:

Mr. Dunn noted that progress reports were covered in other areas of the agenda.

11. CLOSED SESSION: Per Section 2 (c) (1), Section 2 (c) (5) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act;

Mr. Lindberg moved that the committee move into Closed Session for the purpose of discussing:

- The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees.

Mr. Chamberlain seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously (7-0). The committee moved into closed session at 2:29 P.M.

12. OTHER BUSINESS:

After returning to open session, Mr. Dunn discussed issues relating to the potential situation with delays in payments to RMAP from Federal and State partners. The board discussed RMAP's options and current relationship with the City of Rockford for credit and rent.

Mr. Dunn introduced the RPC Booklet created by T. Hall and M. Hren to help promote the value and need for an RPC, as was directed by the committee.

Mr. Christiansen thanked the MPO and was thanked by the committee for his years of service as RMAP Chair.

13. ADJOURNMENT:

As there was no further business, Mr. Lindberg made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Bolin. The motion was approved unanimously (7-0). The meeting was adjourned at 2:51 P.M.