

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
(SIMPO)

MINUTES OF THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
ON APRIL 4, 2017

Members Present:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Agency</u>
Chris Wallace	City of Carbondale
John Crawford	City of Carterville
Doug Phillips	City of Marion
Grant Guthman	Jackson County
Greg Smothers	Williamson County
Bill Jung	Rides Mass Transit
Larry Piche	IDOT

Others Present:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Agency</u>
Curtis Jones	IDOT
Doug Keirn	IDOT
Julie Peterson	Jackson County
Ted Gutierrez	Jackson County Mass Transit
Cary Minnis	GERPDC
Joe Zdankiewicz	GERPDC
Margie Mitchell	GERPDC

Welcome and Introductions

Mr. Grant Guthman, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 1:07 pm. He welcomed all present.

Approval of March 6th, 2017 TAC Meeting Minutes

Mr. Yung made the motion to approve the Technical Advisory Committee Minutes of March 6th Meeting as received. The motion was seconded by Mr. Wallace. The motion carried.

Approve Payment of Bills

Mr. Zdankiewicz requested approval of a bill from the Lochmueller Group in the amount of \$10,794.33 for the Transit Study. He noted there will be a supplement to their contract to work with the human services transportation providers to get all the possible miles we can. Have about \$10,000 left in the 2017 budget for contractual service. The human services program is under 5310 for urban areas. The services cover seniors and persons with disabilities. Every MPO is to have a human service transportation plan and we do not.

Mr. Yung made a motion to pay the Lochmueller Invoice in the amount of \$10,794.33. The motion was seconded by Mr. Piche. The motion carried.

FY 2018 - FY 2021 DRAFT TIP

Joe discussed the Draft TIP, it is close to final. There are a few hi-lites that more information is needed. Need some numbers for a Carbondale project, a Marion project and the State, numbers to come from Chris Wallace and Larry Piche. For 2021 the Jurisdiction: Carbondale should be changed to Murphysboro. Herrin-New Road Grand Avenue South Project is unfunded.

He noted at the Policy Committee meeting the Mayor of Herrin asked to de-obligate the funding for the Herrin Ritter Road project because the city does not have the funding to proceed for the foreseeable future. A vote could not be taken since a super majority is needed to approve and de-obligate STU projects. The funds would be put back into the SIMPO STU balance. The funding will be including in SIMPO STU balance, but the full amount may not be available in the next STU project selection cycle. The availability of the funds will be subject to how much of the balance that District 9 can accommodate in a given fiscal year.

The upcoming projects were discussed: FY 2018 Marion is ready to go; FY 2019 the Carbondale roundabout engineering is pending; and FY 2020 Oakland Avenue in Carbondale should be a go.

If anyone has other corrections, please contact staff. No action is needed today.

FY 2018 SIMPO Draft UPWP

Joe mentioned the consultant studies for FY 2018 were listed under 104-Special Studies. The Intelligent Transportation System Study of the IL Route 13 corridor and the Feasibility Study for a Pedestrian Overpass/Underpass at IL 13 and Ray Fosse Park in Marion will be advertised in April after the Policy Committee Meeting. The rest of the work is also listed. Will also be working on the Human Services Transportation Plan.

Nominating Committee for TAC Officers

Mr. Guthman asked for volunteers for the Nominating Committee. Per Bylaws the Nominating Committee is appointed in April and the election is in June. Nominating Committee Volunteers: Chris Wallace, John Crawford, and Greg Smothers. Mr. Jung made a motion to approve Nominating Committee members. Seconded by Mr. Phillips. The motion carried.

Other MPO Business

A response was received from IDOT regarding the Downtown Herrin project that was ruled ineligible for local safety funding. Our request for the project to be allowed to compete for local HSIP funds was denied; even though the City maintains the sidewalks and parking lanes. The IDOT safety bureau stated that the project would be discussed with the District 9 Office as a potential candidate for state safety funding.

Adjourn

Mr. Jung made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Crawford. The meeting adjourned at 1:37 pm.