

**TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**MINUTES**  
**September 5, 2018**

The September 5, 2018 meeting of the Transportation Technical Advisory Committee was called to order at 9:00 a.m. in the MACOG Conference Room on the 11<sup>th</sup> Floor of the County-City Building in South Bend, Indiana. It was noted a quorum was present, with the following members in attendance:

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Jessica Clark – St Joseph Co  
Scott Tilden – Kosciusko County Highway Department  
Marsha McSherry – Kosciusko County Administrator  
Brent Warren – City of Nappanee  
Ty Adley – Marshall County Plan Commission  
Larry Magliozzi – St. Joseph County Area Plan Commission  
Derek Spier – City of Mishawaka  
Chris Jamrose – City of Mishawaka  
Leslie Biek – City of Goshen  
Jason Peters – Marshall County  
David Armstrong – INDOT, Fort Wayne  
Tim O'Donnell – South Bend International Airport  
Chris Dressel – South Bend Community Investment  
Jessica Miller – INDOT LaPorte

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Jeff Taylor – Elkhart County Highway  
Amy Hill – Transpo  
Chris Godlewski – Elkhart County Planning  
Rick Gaul – City of Plymouth  
Bill Holder – Kosciusko County GIS  
Michael Machlan – City of Elkhart  
Jeremy Skinner – City of Warsaw  
Roger Nawrot – City of South Bend

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Christian Brown – St. Joseph County  
Julie Ritzler – INDOT LaPorte  
Kent Schumacher – Elkhart County  
Natasha Kauffmann – Elkhart County  
Jim Finan – Abonmarche  
Matthew Straw – Elkhart Truth  
Tim Werner – Ciorba Group  
Zach Dripps – MACOG  
Caitlin Stevens – MACOG  
Ryan DeLine – MACOG  
Donny Ritsema – MACOG  
Alaina Parrish – MACOG  
Katie Dominguez - MACOG

Johnnie Woggon – MACOG

**MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 1, 2018 MEETING**

There were no corrections to the minutes of August 1, 2018.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DAVID ARMSTRONG AND  
SECONDED BY KENT SCHUMACHER TO APPROVE THE  
MINUTES OF AUGUST 1, 2018. THE MOTION CARRIED.

**REPORTS OF CHAIRMAN AND SECRETARY**

1. **TTAC CHAIRMAN** – No report.
2. **TTAC SECRETARY** – No Report

**OLD BUSINESS**

There was no Old Business.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Amendments to the Fiscal Year (SFY) 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

**Fort Wayne District**

**INDOT Initiated – Resolution 23-18**

A. INDOT	<u>Amendment</u>	Exempt Project in Elkhart County
Resolution 23-18	Change Fiscal Years and Funding Amounts	
Des#: 1383237	<b>US 33 at CR 36 / College Ave</b>	
	<b>Other Intersection Improvement</b>	
Phase: PE	Total: \$37,000	Federal: \$29,600 (ST STP) State: \$7,400 SFY 2019
Phase: RW	Total: \$250,000	Federal: \$200,000 (ST STP) State: \$50,000 SFY 2019
Phase: CN	Total: \$2,100,205	Federal: \$1,680,164 (ST STP) State: \$420,041 SFY 19 & 20

Ryan DeLine presented Resolution 23-18 containing Fiscal Year changes and funding amounts to the TIP. There were no questions on this resolution. Ryan asked for the TTAC's endorsement of this resolution.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY TIM O'DONNELL AND  
SECONDED BY DAVID ARMSTRONG TO ENDORSE  
RESOLUTION 23-18. THE MOTION CARRIED.

## **Locally Initiated – Resolution 24-18**

A. Elkhart County	<u>Amendment</u>	Non-Exempt Project in Elkhart County
Resolution 24-18	Add Project	
Des#: TBD	<b>Phase I: CR 17 corridor from CR 38 to CR 142</b>	
	<b>Added Travel Lanes</b>	
Phase: PE	Total: \$2,880,000 Federal: \$0	Local: \$2,880,000 SFY 2019

Ryan DeLine presented Resolution 24-18 containing Phase I added travel lanes on CR 17 from CR 38 to CR 142 to the TIP. James Turnwald explained that the project was being put back in so that an environmental analysis could be done. There were no questions on this resolution. Ryan asked for the TTAC's endorsement of this resolution.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY KENT SCHUMACHER AND  
SECONDED BY BRENT WARREN TO ENDORSE  
RESOLUTION 24-18. THE MOTION CARRIED.

## **Presentation**

### **Traffic Incident Management (TIM) Training**

Ryan DeLine gave a presentation on the new partnership with the Indiana Toll Road (ITRCC) to provide TIM training to first responders of traffic incidents throughout the MACOG region. The training is cross disciplined in nature and informs responders on how best to collaborate during traffic incidents. Ryan described the goals of the training as; Responder Safety, Safe and Quick Clearance, as well as, Prompt, Reliable, Interoperable Communications. He also touched on some fatality statistics on how many fire, police and tow operators are involved in struck-by incidents when responding to accidents. The first training was held at the Middlebury Fire Department on August 29<sup>th</sup> with 19 responders, representing five different response disciplines.

## **Staff Update**

- Michiana On the Move – 2045 Transportation Plan Update – Caitlin Stevens gave a brief explanation on the 2045 Transportation Plan Update; stating that the 1<sup>st</sup> month was on How We Grow. She told those present that there was a survey on the website [move2045.macog.com](http://move2045.macog.com) if they wanted to fill it out and that it would end September 16.
- Winona Lake Comprehensive Plan Update – Donny Ritsema stated that MACOG had helped Winona Lake with their Comprehensive plan and have had having two steering committee meetings. They plan to meet with them to discuss public involvement and surveys.
- National Drive Electric Week – September 8 in Goshen – Leah Thill talked about the Nationwide Clean Air Plug in for electric cars. She told the TTAC board that there was an Electric car event in Goshen September 8.

- Indiana MPO Conference – September 25-27 in Evansville – Zach Dripps informed those present that most of the MACOG staff would be out for the MPO Conference, however he would be in the office. Zach also stated that MACOG would be giving two presentations at the conference, Engaging Citizens Through Innovative and Tactical Outreach Methods and Competing for Complete Streets.
- Community Crossings Matching Grant Program Applications – Due September 28 – Zach Dripps let those present know that they can call MACOG if they needed any help with their grants. David Armstrong stated that if anyone did not have their grants in by 05:00 it would close and they would not be able to submit them.
- Aim Ideas Summit – October 2-4 in French Lick – Leah Thill explained that AIM is the replacement for Cities and Town. She then encouraged interested parties to attend the Summit in French Lick.
- Quarterly Tracking and Review – October 3 – Caitlin Stevens gave a reminder that Quarterly Tracking was coming up in October.
- Solar Procurement Information Session – October 10 in South Bend – Leah Thill said that the Solar Procurement Information Session would cover the issues of cost, questions and any other issue that interested participants needed answers to. Leah encouraged anyone interested in Solar to go.

## **PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR**

Information was shared by Ryan DeLine about the recent INDOT Local Trax Rail Overpass call for projects. It was noted that MACOG assisted 5 communities on 4 applications for this grant. The total amount of state funds applied for was 65 million dollars for the 4 projects; grade separations at Douglas Rd and Canadian National in St. Joseph County, an extension of CR 1300 N over Norfolk Southern in Kosciusko County, the Sunnyside Ave connector for Elkhart County and a Hively Ave overpass in the City of Elkhart.

James Turnwald had several points he wanted to cover. First he introduced Alaina Parrish as the new Active Transportation Planner at MACOG. Second, he let everyone know that MACOG now has a Facebook page and encouraged everyone to look at it.

Third, James mentioned Governor Holcomb's 2019 Next Level Connections and stated he would be in Plymouth today September 5 at 01:00. Several of the points mentioned were on the Governors' Fact Sheet that James shared with the TTAC:

1. \$100 million would be used to bring high-speed fiber optic broadband access to unserved and underserved areas of the state
2. \$90 million used to connect more Hoosiers to hiking, biking and riding trails.
3. Road Construction:
  - a. \$600 million to accelerate the completion of I-69 Section 6
  - b. \$190 million for improvements to US 20 and 30 and new interchanges on US 31

- c. Clean the state's highways from \$ -57 million for cleaning and mowing
4. International flights
  - a. \$20 million to establish additional international nonstop flights to/from Indianapolis
5. Fourth water port Purchasing land in Lawrenceburg to create a fourth port to connect southeast Indiana to more opportunities and strengthen the position of the Ports of Indiana
6. West Lake service, South shore double tracking projects – create commuter service with South Shore rail service from Hammond to Dyer

This will be done by the Indiana Finance Authority (IFA) amending its agreement with the Indiana Toll Road Concessions Company (ITRCC); allowing the ITRCC to increase tolls for heavy vehicles by 35 percent. The state will receive a \$1 billion in proceeds.

Last, James discussed with the TTAC whether they wanted to continue getting paper copies of the Tech notes; and whether there was a need to spend the time changing tenses. Several members expressed they wanted to keep the paper copy, but they did not think it mattered whether the tenses were changed or not.

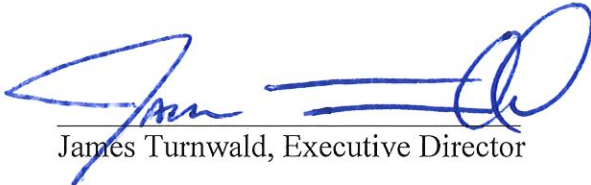
#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the following action was taken.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY TIM O'DONNELL  
AND SECONDED BY CHRIS DRESSEL TO ADJOURN  
THE MEETING. THE MOTION CARRIED.



James Turnwald, Executive Director



Jessica Clark, Chair