

Minutes of the
REGION 9
TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE

Serving Rural Scott County and all of Muscatine County

Wednesday, May 25, 2022 – 2:30 p.m.
Bettendorf City Hall, Second Floor Small Conference Room
1609 State Street
Bettendorf, Iowa
Jeff Sorensen, Chair

Policy Committee Members Present

Michael Limberg	City of Long Grove
John Maxwell	Scott County
Scott Sauer	Muscatine County/River Bend Transit
Sam Shea	Iowa Department of Transportation
Jeff Sorensen	Muscatine County

Others Present

Jennifer Bizarri	Bi-State Regional Commission
Gena McCullough	Bi-State Regional Commission

1. Approval of Minutes of the September 15, 2021 and November 1, 2021 Region 9 Transportation Policy Committee Meeting and Ratification of Actions on November 1, 2021. Mayor Limberg motioned to approve the Transportation Policy Committee meeting minutes as written and ratify actions taken at these meetings. Mayor Maxwell seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved as written.
2. Clarification of Funds Awarded September 2021 Based on Infrastructure and Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) Targets and Funding Levels' Revisions for Programmed Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG), and Transportation Alternatives Program Set-Aside (TASA) Funds. Ms. McCullough clarified the Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) program funds. Muscatine County's FY2025 F58 project (from Wilton east to Cedar County Line) had requested \$1,900,000 and with additional Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act funding, it was increased to \$2,000,000 in STBG funds and funded 80% of revised total cost as a set amount. Scott County's FY2024, F45/240th Street (180th – 210th Avenues), requested \$1,800,000 in STBG funds and the total project cost was increase to enable up to 80% of revised total cost as a set amount. The remaining balance of the STBG funds is \$58,202 in FFY2025.

Ms. McCullough clarified the TA set-aside funds available with Tap Flex Funds and the IIA adjustments. Long Grove's First Street Phase II multi-use path was revised to receive \$336,640 of TAP funds in FFY2024. Wilton's West 5th Street shared-use path was revised to receive \$224,426 of TAP funds in FFY2025. Mayor Maxwell motioned to approve the TAP and STBG funds as requested. Mr. Sauer seconded the motion, which passed.

3. Presentation on FY2023 Region 9 Transportation Planning Work Program (TPWP). Ms. McCullough presented the draft FY2023 TPWP to the committee. The presentation outlined updates and changes, such as projects from the LRTP and implementation, the Plan of Work from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023, accomplishments from the FY2022 TPWP, and the Summary of Funding for FY2023. This year, there are not any STBG funds anticipated for FY23. As in prior years, there is the intent to use \$10,000 from the Region 9 Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program to supplement the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) funds for regional transportation planning. There will be Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) funds for regional transportation planning. The total effort amounts to \$54,836. The work program will be taken to the Bi-State Regional Commission in May for approval of the budget and ability to enter into contract with the Iowa Department of Transportation. The Technical and Policy Committee members are encouraged to review the activities that are covered by the planning funds and provide input.
4. Other Business. Ms. McCullough briefly discussed the target SWAP program. The Iowa DOT is reevaluating if the state will continue the SWAP program. May is National Bike Month and National Bicycle Safety Month.

The following special days occur in May:

- May 1 – National Ride a Bike Day
- May 4 – National Bike & Roll to School Day
- May 16-22 – Bike to Work Week
- May 20 – Bike to Work Day
- May 25 – National Senior Fitness Day

The Iowa State and Federal Recreational Trails Grants deadline is July 1, 2022.

5. Adjournment. Mayor Limberg motioned to adjourn the meeting, and Mr. Sorensen seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 3:23 p.m.