MINUTES
SOUTHEASTERN WISCONSIN REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Thursday, October 21, 2010  2:35 p.m.

SEWRPC Office Building
Commissioners’ Conference Room
W239 N1812 Rockwood Drive
Waukesha, Wisconsin

Present:  Excused:

Committee Members:

Gilbert B. Bakke  David L. Stroik, Chairman
Thomas H. Buestrin  Richard A. Hansen, Vice-Chairman
James T. Dwyer  Nancy Russell
Adelene Greene
Daniel S. Schmidt
John F. Weishan, Jr.
Gustav W. Wirth, Jr.

Staff:

Kenneth R. Yunker  Executive Director
Elizabeth A. Larsen  Business Manager
Debra A. D’Amico  Executive Secretary

ROLL CALL

Mr. Yunker asked Ms. Greene to conduct the meeting in the absence of both the Chairman and Vice-Chairman. Ms. Greene then called the meeting to order at 2:35 p.m. Roll call was taken and a quorum declared present. Mr. Yunker noted for the record that Chairman Stroik, Vice-Chairman Hansen and Ms. Russell were excused.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING OF AUGUST 26, 2010

Ms. Greene asked if there were any changes or additions to the August 26, 2010, meeting minutes.
On a motion by Mr. Schmidt, seconded by Mr. Bakke, and carried unanimously, the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on August 26, 2010, were approved as published.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT, MS. GREENE REPORTING

Chair Greene reported that the Administrative Committee, at its meeting held just before the Executive Committee meeting, had taken the following actions:

2. Reviewed and approved the Statement of Projected Revenues and Expenditures for the period ending October 10, 2010.
3. Reviewed and approved a report on 2011 group medical insurance premiums.
4. Reviewed and discussed the Commission’s banking services.
5. Reviewed and approved the purchase of an automobile for 2010.

There being no questions or comments, on a motion by Mr. Wirth, seconded by Mr. Schmidt, and carried unanimously, the Administrative Committee report was approved.

REPORT ON CONTRACTS

Ms. Greene asked Ms. Larsen to review the proposed contracts and agreements, noting that the Committee members had received a table listing three contracts prior to the meeting. Ms. Larsen then briefly reviewed the three contracts.

There being no questions or discussion, on a motion by Mr. Schmidt, seconded by Mr. Dwyer, and carried unanimously, the report relative to the contracts was accepted and placed on file (copy of report attached to Official Minutes).

WORK PROGRAM REPORTS

Mr. Yunker reviewed a table entitled “Work Program Progress Report.” He called the Committee’s attention to the regional water supply plan, which is nearly completed. Mr. Yunker recalled that at the September 15, 2010, Quarterly Commission Meeting, all Commissioners were invited to attend the November 9, 2010, Planning and Research Committee meeting to review the final recommended plan of the Regional Water Supply Study and to consider recommending the final plan for adoption at the full Commission Meeting in December. Mr. Yunker further stated that the Regional Natural Areas Plan Update may also be considered for adoption at the full Commission Meeting.

CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENT TO THE 2009-2012 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR SOUTHEASTERN WISCONSIN (Resolution No. 2010-13)

Mr. Yunker presented Resolution 2010-13, amending the 2009-2012 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). He indicated that there were 20 projects in total, all of which are being added to the TIP. He noted that these TIP amendments have been reviewed and approved by the Commission TIP Advisory
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Committees. Mr. Yunker noted that the Commission staff reviews each project to ensure that the TIP amendments are consistent with the regional plan.

On a motion by Mr. Wirth to approve Resolution No. 2010-13, seconded by Mr. Bakke, and carried by a vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays, Resolution 2009-13 was approved as amended (copy of Resolution 2010-13 attached to Official Minutes).

FORMAL DISSOLUTION OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS PLANNING COMMITTEE

Ms. Greene then requested Mr. Yunker to describe the proposed formal dissolution of the Telecommunications Planning Committee. Mr. Yunker stated that when there is no longer a continuing planning program for an Advisory Committee to consider, it is proper for the Executive Committee to formally dissolve that Advisory Committee. Mr. Yunker requested the Executive Committee to formally dissolve the Telecommunications Planning Committee as they have not met or taken any action since October 2, 2007.

On a motion by Mr. Dwyer to formally dissolve the Telecommunications Planning Committee, seconded by Mr. Schmidt, and unanimously carried, the Telecommunications Planning Committee was dissolved.

CONSIDERATION OF SUPPORTING MILWAUKEE GATEWAY AEROTROPOLIS PLANNING AND BEING A MEMBER OF THE MILWAUKEE GATEWAY AEROTROPOLIS CORPORATION (Resolution No. 2010-14)

Mr. Yunker gave an overview of the nonprofit Milwaukee Gateway Aerotropolis Corporation (MGAC), noting the Corporation’s purpose is to encourage economic development around General Mitchell International Airport (GMIA), by conducting studies on behalf of its member governments, and coordinating the planning and development efforts of its member governments. He stated that the MGAC would succeed the Airport Area Economic Development Task Force. He added that the Commission staff provided information and data to, and was a member of, the Task Force, participating at the request of City of Milwaukee Alderman Terry Witkowski and Milwaukee County Board Supervisors Chris Larsen and Patricia Jursik. He stated that the Commission has been asked to endorse the formation of the MGAC, and to become a member of MGAC. He noted that the creation of the MGAC has been endorsed by the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors and the eight cities and villages surrounding GMIA. They have also agreed to each be a member of MGAC. Other members from the private sector include representatives of the Airport Gateway Business Association and Airport Gateway Business Improvement District.

Mr. Weishan noted that GMIA is a very successful airport, and there are already significant opportunities for development and redevelopment, such as the closed 440th Air Reserve Base. He suggested that the Commission delay action until more is known about the membership, bylaws, and mission of the MGAC.

Mr. Yunker stated that the first meeting of the MGAC will be held on the October 27, and he will attend to observe the meeting and bring that information back to the Committee.

[Secretary’s Note: Attached to these minutes is a list of members of the Milwaukee Gateway Aerotropolis Corporation (MGAC), the bylaws adopted at their October 27th meeting, and the MGAC vision and mission statements.

Also, the MGAC at their October 27th meeting acted unanimously to accept the Commission as a member, should the Commission act to support the MGAC, and agree to be a member organization.]
Mr. Buestrin inquired about an update to the regional airport plan. Mr. Yunker indicated that a regional airport plan is no longer required by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), and funding has not been available to conduct a regional airport planning effort.

CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Yunker stated that there were no announcements or correspondence.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 3:02 p.m., on a motion by Mr. Dwyer, seconded by Mr. Wirth, and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth R. Yunker
Deputy Secretary

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Attachments