Thursday, October 20, 2011 2:04 p.m.

SEWRPC Office Building
Commissioners’ Conference Room
W239 N1812 Rockwood Drive
Waukesha, Wisconsin 53187-1607

Present: Excused:

Committee Members:

David L. Stroik, Chairman
William R. Drew, Vice-Chairman
Gilbert B. Bakke
Thomas H. Buestrin
James T. Dwyer
Adelene Greene
Nancy Russell
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

Chairman Stroik called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m. Roll call was taken and a quorum declared present. Mr. Yunker noted that all Executive Committee members were present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING OF JULY 21, 2011

Chairman Stroik asked if there were any changes or additions to the July 21, 2011, meeting minutes.

On a motion by Mr. Wirth, seconded by Ms. Greene, and carried unanimously, the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on July 21, 2011, were approved as published.
ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT, MS. GREENE REPORTING

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

1. Reviewed and approved disbursements for two financial periods: Year 2011 No. 20 and No. 21 extending over the period September 12, to October 9, 2011.

2. Reviewed and approved the Statement of Projected Revenues and Expenditures for the period ending October 9, 2011.

3. Reviewed and approved a grievance procedure amendment to the Commission Personnel Regulations.

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

REPORT ON CONTRACTS

Chairman Stroik asked Ms. Larsen to review the six proposed contracts noting that the Committee members had received a table listing these contracts prior to the meeting. Ms. Larsen then briefly reviewed the contracts with the Committee.

There being no questions or comments, on a motion by Mr. Schmidt, seconded by Mr. Drew, 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 noted that the Report shows the progress of key regional, as well as local community and county assistance, efforts under each Commission staff division’s section of the report (copy of report attached to Official Minutes).

In response to an inquiry by Mr. Dwyer relative to whether the regional housing plan would affect Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) programs within the Region, Mr. Yunker stated that the Commission’s regional housing plan would be advisory, but there may be recommendations that would address HUD programs. Mr. Weishan then inquired if the regional housing plan would be reviewed by all the Counties in the Region. Mr. Yunker responded that the plan is reviewed by the Regional Housing Plan Advisory Committee, which has representatives from each County and from a number of municipalities. In response to an additional inquiry by Mr. Weishan, Mr. Yunker stated that after Commission adoption of the regional housing plan, the plan will be sent to all Counties and municipalities for endorsement and/or adoption.

CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENT TO THE 2011-2014 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Mr. Yunker presented Resolution 2011-18, amending the 2011-2014 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). He briefly described the three projects which were selected to receive Federal Highway Administration Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ) funding which was made available as a result of the termination of the Kenosha-Racine-Milwaukee commuter rail project. He noted the projects included the addition of two express bus routes for Milwaukee County; and, the purchase of
new buses to replace old buses for the City of Kenosha and explained the revised Exhibit A. He further explained that the amendment is scheduled to be reviewed and approved by the Commission’s Advisory Committees on Transportation System Planning and Programming for the Kenosha, Milwaukee, Racine, and Round Lake Beach urbanized areas (TIP Committees) at their meeting the next day. He stated that Commission staff is requesting approval by the Executive Committee at this time with the understanding that the TIP Amendment will be approved unanimously by the TIP Committees. However, if the TIP Committees do not approve the TIP Amendment, this amendment will be brought back to the November Executive Committee meeting for further consideration.

In response to an inquiry by Ms. Russell, Mr. Yunker explained the limited types of projects eligible for CMAQ funding, and the limited areas of the State eligible to receive funding for projects.

There being no further inquiries or comments, on a motion, subject to approval by the TIP Committee, by Mr. Dwyer to approve Resolution No. 2011-18, seconded by Ms. Greene, and carried unanimously by a vote of 10 ayes and 0 nays, Resolution 2011-18 was approved (copy of Resolution 2011-18 attached to Official Minutes).

DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF ACTION COMMISSION SHOULD TAKE REGARDING THE 2011 WISCONSIN ACT 35 CARRYING CONCEALED WEAPON LAW

Mr. Yunker then asked for discussion by Commissioners concerning the Wisconsin Act 35 Concealed Carry Law that is to be effective November 1, 2011, with respect to potential Commission office policy. After brief discussion, it was agreed that at the next Executive Committee meeting, Commissioners would describe and discuss the actions being taken by each County at their office buildings. Mr. Weishan suggested that staff review the Milwaukee County Corporation Counsel Report which includes Milwaukee County’s concealed carry weapons policies. Mr. Drew suggested that the Commission contact the larger Regional Planning Commissions in Iowa and Minnesota to inquire about their concealed carry weapon policies, as these States have had laws permitting concealed carry of weapons for years.

CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Yunker reported that there was no correspondence and there were no announcements to be brought to the attention of the Committee.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 2:40 p.m., on a motion by Mr. Wirth, seconded by Mr. Schmidt, and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth R. Yunker
Deputy Secretary