

MINUTES

SOUTHEASTERN WISCONSIN REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Thursday, August 20, 2015

2:30 p.m.

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

Present:

Excused:

Committee Members:

David L. Stroik, Chairman
Charles L. Colman, Vice-Chairman
Thomas H. Buestrin
Michael A. Crowley
William R. Drew
Nancy L. Russell
Daniel S. Schmidt
Peggy L. Shumway

James T. Dwyer
Adelene Greene
Gustav W. Wirth, Jr.

Staff:

Kenneth R. Yunker	Executive Director
Michael G. Hahn	Deputy Director
Elizabeth A. Larsen	Assistant Director-Administration
Debra A. D'Amico	Executive Secretary

ROLL CALL

Chairman Stroik called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. Roll call was taken and a quorum was declared present. Mr. Yunker noted for the record that Mr. Dwyer, Ms. Greene, and Mr. Wirth had asked to be excused.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING OF JUNE 25, 2015

Chairman Stroik asked if there were any changes or additions to the June 25, 2015, meeting minutes.

On a motion by Mr. Schmidt, seconded by Mr. Drew, and carried unanimously, the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on June 25, 2015, were approved as published.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Chairman Stroik reported that the Administrative Committee, at its meeting held just before this Executive Committee meeting, had taken the following actions:

1. Reviewed and approved disbursements for four financial periods: Year 2015 Nos. 14, 15, 16, and 17 extending over the period June 15, to August 9, 2015.
2. Reviewed and approved the Statement of Projected Revenues and Expenditures for the period ending August 9, 2015.
3. Reviewed and approved a firewall upgrade for the Commission computer network.
4. Authorized the Commission staff to retain the certified public accounting firm of Scrima, Kabitzke & Co., S.C. to conduct the audit of the Commission's calendar year 2015 operations.

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

CONSIDERATION OF CONTRACTS

Chairman Stroik asked Ms. Larsen to review the proposed contracts, noting that Committee members had received a two page report with a table listing eight 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. Crowley, seconded by Mr. Drew, and carried unanimously, the contract report was accepted and the report placed on file (copy of report attached to Official Minutes).

WORK PROGRAM REPORTS

Mr. Yunker reviewed with the Committee a table entitled, "Work Program Progress Report." He noted that the report identifies key regional and selected community and county assistance efforts (copy of report attached to Official Minutes).

Mr. Yunker noted with respect to the Year 2050 Regional Land Use and Transportation Plan, the alternative plans will be completed in early fall with the fourth round of public meetings to be scheduled in early November. The full plan is expected to be completed in mid-2016.

Mr. Yunker also called attention to the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS). He noted the public comment period has ended and the Commission staff is now finalizing the report. The final report will then go to the County Economic Development organizations and then to the County Boards for their approval.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT(S) TO THE 2015-2018 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) (Resolution No. 2015-14)

Mr. Yunker presented Resolution 2015-14, which provides for Commission approval and adoption of an amendment to the 2015-2018 Regional Transportation Improvement Program. He explained that the TIP is a Federally required listing of all arterial highway, public transit, and other related transportation projects

proposed by State and local governments to be implemented over the next four years in the seven-county Southeastern Wisconsin Region. He emphasized that all the projects included in this TIP amendment are consistent with the Regional Transportation Plan and that both the Plan and TIP amendment must be determined to conform to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources State Implementation Plan for Air Quality Management. He stated that this 2015-2018 TIP amendment was reviewed and unanimously approved by the Commission's Advisory Committees on Transportation System Planning and Programming for the Milwaukee urbanized area.

In response to an inquiry by Mr. Colman, Mr. Yunker stated that "Exempt" under the Air Quality Status column indicates that a project that does not require an air quality conformity assessment, as it is a project considered by the U.S. Department of Transportation to not have an impact on air pollutant emissions and air quality. Conversely, a non-exempt project requires an air quality conformity assessment, as the project is considered to have an impact on air pollutant emissions and air quality.

There being no further questions or comments, on a motion by Mr. Schmidt to approve Resolution No. 2015-14, seconded by Ms. Russell, and carried unanimously by a vote of 8 ayes and 0 nays, Resolution 2015-14 was approved (copy of Resolution 2015-14 attached to Official Minutes).

APPOINTMENT TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE TASK FORCE

Mr. Yunker stated that Racine County has a vacancy on the Commission's Environmental Justice Task Force. Mr. Rodney Prunty, President and Chief Professional Officer of the United Way in Racine County is being recommended for the vacancy.

There being no questions or comments, on a motion by Mr. Buestrin, seconded by Mr. Drew, and carried unanimously, Mr. Prunty was appointed as the Racine County representative on the Environmental Justice Task Force.

CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Yunker reported that there was no correspondence or announcements.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 3:25 p.m., on a motion by Mr. Buestrin, seconded by Mr. Colman, and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth R. Yunker
Executive Director

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