

MINUTES

SOUTHEASTERN WISCONSIN REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Thursday, January 21, 2021

2:00 p.m.

Meeting Occurred Virtually via Video and Telephone Conference

Present:

Excused:

Committee Members:

Charles L. Colman, Chairman
Donna Brown-Martin
Michael A. Crowley
James T. Dwyer
Aloysius Nelson
Robert Pitts
Daniel S. Schmidt
David L. Stroik
Gustav W. Wirth, Jr.

Jonathan Delagrave

Alternate:

Thomas H. Buestrin

Staff:

Kevin J. Muhs	Executive Director
Benjamin R. McKay	Deputy Director
Elizabeth A. Larsen	Director of Administration
Catherine Pozum	Human Resources Assistant/Bookkeeper

ROLL CALL

Chairman Colman called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was declared present. Mr. Muhs noted that for the record Messer's Buestrin and Delagrave had asked to be excused.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 19, 2020, MEETING

Chairman Colman asked if there were any changes or additions to the November 19, 2020, meeting minutes. There were none.

On a motion by Mr. Dwyer, seconded by Mr. Stroik, and carried unanimously, the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on November 19, 2020, were approved as published.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Chairman Colman 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 financial periods: Year 2020, Nos. 23, 24, 25, 26 and Year 2021 No. 1 – October 26, 2020, to January 3, 2021.
2. Reviewed and approved the Statement of Projected Revenue and Expenditures for the period ending January 3, 2021.

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

CONSIDERATION OF CONTRACTS

Chairman Colman asked Ms. Larsen to review the proposed contracts, noting that prior to the meeting, Committee members had received a report with a table listing five contracts. Ms. Larsen then briefly reviewed the contract with the Committee.

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

WORK PROGRAM REPORTS

Chairman Colman requested that Mr. Muhs review the Work Program Progress Report. Mr. Muhs reviewed the report and noted that the report identifies key regional and selected community and county assistance efforts (copy of report attached to Official Minutes).

CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENT TO THE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM, (TIP), (Resolution No. 2021-01)

Chairman Colman asked the Commission to consider adoption of Resolution No. 2021-01, amending the 2021-2024 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). He noted that these materials were provided prior to this meeting.

Mr. Muhs presented Resolution 2021-01, amending the 2021-2024 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). He indicated there are five existing projects and four new projects to be amended into the TIP. He stated that the addition of these projects to the TIP was approved by the Commission's Advisory Committees on Transportation System Planning and Programming for the Milwaukee and Racine Urbanized Areas.

In response to an inquiry by Mr. Dwyer, concerning project number 365 for the City of Racine, Mr. Muhs stated that this project has been integrated into project number 363 also for the City of Racine. This integration is due to a combining of the work efforts between both projects, resulting in an overall cost savings.

There being no questions or comments, on a motion by Mr. Dwyer to approve Resolution 2021-01, seconded by Mr. Nelson, and carried by a vote of 9 ayes and 0 nays, Resolution 2021-01 was approved (copy of Resolution 2021-01 attached to Official Minutes).

CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Colman asked if there were any correspondence or announcements. Mr. Muhs stated there was no correspondence, but announced that following the discussion regarding the potential Commission partnership with the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee (UWM) for a \$5,000 per year scholarship to be awarded to an individual pursuing a master's degree in Urban Planning at the November Executive Committee meeting, the scholarship agreement between the Commission and UWM was signed.

Mr. Muhs also announced that the Commission is partnering with UWM professors who have received a grant from the National Science Foundation to connect jobs to the labor force in the Region.

Ms. Brown-Martin asked for a copy of the approved grant proposal.

Mr. Pitts suggested that the Commission consider donating a portrait of Kurt W. Bauer, PhD., to be placed in the Commission building. Mr. Dwyer stated this should be an agenda item for the February Executive Committee.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 2:15 p.m. on a motion by Mr. Stroik, seconded by Mr. Wirth, and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin J. Muhs
Deputy Secretary