

MARATHON COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION
Minutes
April 9, 2019

Commissioners: John Robinson – Chair, George Peterson – Vice-chair, Dave Meurett (for Wickham), Gaylene Rhoden (for Opall), Robert Mielke, Keith Donner, Keith Rusch, Raynard Zunker, Milton Olson

TAC Members: Dave Mack, Andrew Lynch, Kevin Lang, Brad Lenz, Darryl Landeau

Others Present: Brenda Iczkowski, Katherine Volkmann, Mike Fleischner, Ben Satune, Jordan Kelbley

1. Call to Order

In the presence of a quorum, with the agenda being properly signed and posted, the meeting was called to order by Chair Robinson at 2:02 p.m. in the Large Conference Room, 210 River Drive, Wausau, Wisconsin.

2. Welcome and Introductions

All were welcomed and introductions were made.

3. Public Comment – Katherine Volkmann, Cloverbelt Credit Union, indicated that she had spoken with Brad Lenz yesterday about the map included in the packet having an error on it. The map shows the 100 block of McIndoe St. being vacated and it is also addressed in the recommendations and she says it is not being vacated. Just the 200 block is planned for being vacated.

4. Approve Minutes of the February 26, 2019 meeting

Action: MOTION / SECOND BY MIELKE / FIFRICK TO APPROVE THE FEBRUARY 26, 2019 MINUTES AS DISTRIBUTED. MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE, NO DISSENT.

5. 2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment

Discussion: Mack stated the WisDOT has requested the Planning Commission to amend the TIP to reflect the 5310 federal funds which are capital funds to be used by North Central Health Care to replace a bus that wasn't originally included in the TIP.

Action: MOTION / SECOND BY MIELKE / FIFRICK TO APPROVE #4-19 RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE AMENDMENT TO THE 2019-2022 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE WAUSAU METROPOLITAN AREA. MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE, NO DISSENT.

Follow Through: Staff will make the appropriate changes to the TIP and send to WisDOT and FHWA.

6. State Highway 52 Reroute Proposal, City of Wausau

Discussion: Mack shared with the committee the packet information obtained from the City of Wausau engineer. The map that shows the project overview and the reroute of State Highway 52 coming through the central downtown area staying on 5th St. south then going westerly on Scott St. This would be a change from the route of McIndoe St. to 1st St. and then to Scott St. The other change would be Business 51 from the south would go westerly on Scott St instead of going to McIndoe St. A public informational meeting will be scheduled by the City of Wausau by the end of this month.

Action: FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY.

Follow Through: Staff will keep the committee informed of any changes to the proposed project.

7. Resolution asking WisDOT to reconstruct Business Highway 51 between State Highway 29 and the Eau Claire River

Discussion: Mack shared that the Village of Weston requested the Wausau MPO consider adopting a resolution asking WisDOT to reconstruct Business Highway 51 between State Highway 29 and the Eau Claire River. The Village of Weston, Village of Rothschild, Village of Schofield, and Marathon County Infrastructure committee have all passed resolutions similar to this resolution asking the DOT to look into the planning and programming from Hwy 29 to the Eau Claire River Bridge. Robinson had suggested changing verbiage in the resolution from "Insists" to "requesting". Donner shared they have spoken with

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area legislators about this. Kelbley informed the commission that the roadway was driven and WisDOT has identified that meetings will take place in the future regarding a proposal from WisDOT.

Action: **MOTION / SECOND BY DONNER / PETERSON TO RECOMMEND ADOPTION OF #5-19 RESOLUTION WITH A CORRECTION TO THE SPELLING OF EAU CLAIR TO BE EAU CLAIRE. ALSO, TO ADD THE WORD NUMEROUS TO THE FIFTH PARAGRAPH TO STATE "RECEIVED NUMEROUS COMPLAINTS". MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE, NO DISSENT.**

Action: **MOTION / SECOND BY DONNER / PETERSON TO AMEND THE MOTION TO EDIT THE WORD INSISTING TO REQUESTING IN THE TITLE. MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE, NO DISSENT.**

Follow Through: Staff to send to area legislator, the Governor, WisDOT and local municipalities.

8. 2019-2021 State Budget Impact on Local Planning and Transportation Projects

Discussion: Robinson discussed the budget summary from the packet and asked for any insight on the summary. The process of the budget was briefly described. Mack included that the use of eminent domain for Bike Paths was included in the budget.

Action: **FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY.**

Follow Through: None at this time.

9. Discussion on Issues for Future Meetings

2019-2021 State Budget Summary, Bicycle Pedestrian Sub-committee update, State Highway 52 reroute proposal, Citizen's Transit Advisory Committee update.

Action: **FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY.**

Follow Through: Staff to inform commission of future updates.

10. Next Meeting – May 14, 2019

Action: **CONSENSUS REACHED THAT THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE SCHEDULED MAY 14, 2019 AT 2:00 PM.**

Follow Through: This meeting will be scheduled.

11. Adjourn

Action: There being no further business to come before the members, **MOTION / SECOND BY MIELKE / RHODEN TO ADJOURN THE MEETING OF THE MARATHON COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION AT 2:45PM. MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE, NO DISSENT.**

Submitted by:

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Marathon County Conservation, Planning and Zoning

DM: BI

May 8, 2019