

**MCHENRY COUNTY COUNCIL OF MAYORS
THURSDAY, MAY 15, 2014
2:00 P.M.
MCHENRY COUNTY DIVISION OF TRANSPORTATION
16111 NELSON ROAD
WOODSTOCK, IL 60098**

MEETING MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. ROLL CALL/INTRODUCTIONS (SIGN-IN SHEET)

President Rick Mack, Chair of the McHenry County Council of Mayors, called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m. The meeting was held at the McHenry County Division of Transportation located in Woodstock, IL. There was a quorum. Attendance was as follows:

Members Present:

Rick Mack, Chair, Village of Ringwood
Shannon Andrews, Village of Lakewood
Tim Farrell, Village of Huntley
Bob Mitchard, Village of Algonquin
Erik Morimoto, Village of Cary
Dave Nelson, City of Harvard
Bob Nunamaker, Village of Fox River Road
Claudett Peters, Village of Johnsburg
Jon Schmitt, City of McHenry
Jeannine Smith, Village of Prairie Grove
Rich Vance, Village of Bull Valley
Abby Wilgreen, City of Crystal Lake
Shannon Yeaton, Village of Port Barrington
Jeff Young, McHenry County

Others Present:

Bunny Anderson, Illinois Tollway
Emily Berendt, Village of Bull Valley
Gary Blazek, Civiltech
Akram Chaudhry, HR Green
Wally Dittrich, McHenry County DOT
Ed Ellinghausen, Village of Bull Valley
Gerardo Fierro, IDOT
Lou Haussmann, Baxter & Woodman
David Johanson, EEI
Mark Johnson, Ciorba Group
Sue Palmer, IDOT
Michael Plant, Baxter & Woodman
Derek Soderholm, Village of Fox River Grove
Chalen Daigle, McHenry County Council of Mayors

B. APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

Mr. Young moved for approval of the meeting agenda. Mr. Nelson seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

- C. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES FROM MARCH 20, 2014**
Mayor Nunamaker moved for approval the meeting minutes from March 20, 2014. Ms. Wilgreen seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

II. PROGRAM & AGENCY UPDATES

A. IDOT Highway Report

Ms. Palmer provided the updated IDOT Transportation Improvement Program. She also distributed the FY 2015-2020 Proposed Multi-Modal Transportation Plan. As for projects in McHenry County, the IL 176/IL 31 project has utility delays, but should be open by October 1. Lanes on IL 31 have switched and the lanes on IL 176 will be switched soon. An updated status sheet on the Western Algonquin Bypass was provided. Ms. Palmer noted that the June letting includes several resurfacing projects. \$1.5 million has been allocated for various resurfacing projects and it will be a lean year. She also said there will be a safety projects on US 14 this summer.

B. Pace Report

There was no report.

C. Metra

Chair Mack said there was no new report and that there will be more updates at the July meeting.

D. McHenry County Division of Transportation

Mr. Young briefly spoke about the construction projects around McHenry County including the Johnsbury Road and the County Pavement Preservation Program. He also informed the Council of a time-lapse video of the Miller Road project in McHenry. The video shows the project from start to finish in two minutes. A link to the video is available at www.mchenrycountydor.org. The video and camera cost a total of \$10,000, but the County gets to keep the camera for future projects.

E. RTA Update

There was no RTA report.

F. Illinois Tollway

Ms. Anderson provided several handouts and maps. She spoke about construction on the western section of I-90 which is on new pavement. When the entire project is complete, 37 miles will be reconstructed and widened. Work on the eastern section is underway and the Illinois Tollway is working with Pace on five new Park and Ride locations. Ms. Anderson spoke about the various bridges that will be reconstructed as part of the widening including a few in McHenry County. The I-294/I-57 interchange will open this fall. The I-355/I-88 interchange will have major bridge and ramp repair underway this summer. Mr. Young asked if the Elgin-O'Hare Expressway will be tolled. Ms. Anderson said it will be tolled, but those tolls have not been determined.

G. IDOT STP Local Program

Mr. Fierro gave a brief update on the STP projects programmed.

Mr. Dittrich added that he had been asked by IDOT through the County Engineers, to speak about PESA and PSI timelines. He provided a handout from IDOT and asked that municipalities carefully study the timelines when planning a project. Often projects are delayed because they do not allow enough time to acquire all the required documents.

III. CHICAGO METROPOLITAN AGENCY FOR PLANNING (CMAP) / COUNCIL OF MAYORS

A. Executive Committee Report

The Executive Committee will meet on May 20

B. CMAP Report

Ms. Daigle provided the CMAP report. She spoke of the CMAP Municipal Survey that was sent to all municipalities in the CMAP region. She asked that anyone who had not completed and returned the survey to CMAP do so by Friday. Ms. Smith added that the survey is a valuable tool for CMAP and regional planning. Ms. Daigle also provided a number of Calls for Projects deadlines including the HSIP deadline which is May 30. Lastly, Ms Daigle noted that after the July Council meeting, CMAP will be hosting a GO TO 2040 Update Open House. All are invited to attend.

IV. MCHENRY COUNTY COUNCIL OF MAYORS / STP PROGRAM

A. Approval of Call for Projects Methodology and Application

Ms. Daigle said copies of the proposed Methodology and Application were included in the packet. Ms. Smith asked what the impetus for lessening the number of years in which a project could be completed under the Continuity of Improvement section. Chair Mack said that the section was changed from five years to three years to provide some continuity to the project. If a connecting project was completed more than three years before the application deadline and the project wasn't programmed until 2019, it would be a significant gap in time between the two projects. Three years seemed more reasonable to the Methodology Review Committee.

Mr. Nelson moved for approval of the Methodology and Application. Mr. Young seconded the motion. A roll call vote included fourteen yeas and no nays.

B. Approval of Call for Projects for 2017, 2018 & 2019

Ms. Daigle said applications are due Friday, August 15, 2014.

Ms. Smith moved for approval. Mr. Nelson seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

C. Approval of PL Contract for State Fiscal Year 2015

Chair Mack said the contract is a procedural item to approve for the following year. Ms. Daigle said the funding levels remain the same as last year and that the County Transportation Committee would consider the contract at their May 21 meeting and the County Board would consider it at the June 3 meeting.

Ms. Smith moved for approval. Mr. Nelson seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

D. FY 14-18 Surface Transportation Program

This item was informational.

V. PLANNING LIAISON REPORT

Ms. Daigle said there is a Call for Local Technical Assistance (LTA) projects underway. Applications are available at www.cmap.illinois.gov and an informational meeting will be held at CMAP on June 3.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

VII. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting date is scheduled for Thursday, July 17, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. at the McHenry County Administration Building in Conference Room A. Please note the location change. A GO TO 2040 Open House will immediately follow the meeting from 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Young, seconded by Mayor Nunamaker. The meeting was adjourned at 2:23 p.m.