

MCHENRY COUNTY COUNCIL OF MAYORS MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, March 14, 2019

2:00 PM

Cary Village Hall

655 Village Hall Drive, Cary, IL

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Mack called the meeting to order at 2:03 P.M.

A. Roll Call/Introductions (Sign-In Sheet)

The meeting had a quorum (minimum of 7 members).

Council Members Present:

1. Village of Bull Valley – Emily Berendt
2. Village of Cary – Erik Morimoto
3. City of Crystal Lake – Abigail Wilgreen
4. Village of Huntley – Tim Farrell
5. Village of Johnsburg – Claudett Peters
6. City of McHenry – Jon Schmitt
7. Village of Ringwood – Rick Mack, Chairman
8. City of Woodstock – Ryan Livingston
9. McHenry County – Jeff Young

Staff Present:

1. McHenry County Council of Mayors – Scott Hennings, Principal Transportation Planner
2. McHenry County Council of Mayors – Cody Sheriff, Planning Liaison

Others Present:

1. HR Green – Jeff Strzalka
2. McHenry – Troy Strange
3. Metra - Katie Renteria
4. IDOT – Katie Herdus
5. IDOT- Gerardo Fierro
6. RTA – Andy Plummer
7. Baxter & Woodman – Dan Schug
8. IL AMW – Ben Brockschmidt
9. V3 – Paul Grassly
10. EE1 – Tim Holdeman
11. Ciorba – Tim Hever
12. Pace – Mary Donner

2. AGENDA APPROVAL

Approval of the agenda for the March 14, 2019, McHenry County Council of Mayors meeting.

A motion was made by Jeff Young and seconded by John Schmitt to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

3. MINUTES APPROVAL

Approval of the minutes for the January 17, 2019, McHenry County Council of Mayors meeting. A motion was made by Eric Morimoto and seconded by Ryan Livingston to approve the minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment

5. PROGRAM & AGENCY UPDATES

IDOT Highway Report – Katie Herdus

Ms. Herdus provided an update on the McHenry County Management Monitoring Schedule and various projects throughout McHenry County. IDOT won't start on projects such as Harmony & US 20 until April. Ms. Herdus also informed the Council that Omer Osman has been officially appointed Secretary of Transportation.

Pace Report – Mary Donner

Ms. Donner provided an update on the Pace Executive Director position that has been filled by Rocky Donahue as of March 1, 2019. Mr. Donahue has been very busy meeting with various state legislators during the State inauguration. He's also a part of the Administration's transition team. Mr. Donahue has been spending a lot of time with stakeholders and expects to start meeting with Councils of Mayors in the near future and even met with MCDOT to discuss the County's Transit Plan and future collaboration. His prime directive will be focused on promoting a Capital Bill at all levels. PACE is in the process of working on a new website but is on hold temporarily as they add more resources for the web designers to make it more accessible for mobile phone users.

Metra Update – Rick Mack

Chairman Mack briefly commented on the Metra Article included in the meeting materials.

RTA Update – Andy Plummer

Mr. Plummer handed out the most recent version of the RTA's transit map. He explained if anyone would like additional copies to contact him. Mr. Plummer commented on the latest RTA budget. It is 3 billion dollars and

funded from service fares, RTA sales tax, and the State's RTA sales tax match. This largely funds operating costs. Their Capital Budget is \$700 million dollars which is half of what they need to keep the system in a state of good repair. Mr. Plummer said the inter agency signage initiative regarding multiple transit services in the same community is moving forward and ongoing. He commented on the RTA Community Planning Call for Projects. A decision should be made at the March meeting regarding applications. Mr. Plummer commented on the state capital budget and that discussions are in full swing and ongoing. He stressed the importance of passing resolutions of support and to work with local legislatures to advocate for transit funding. The cost of maintaining a legacy transit system is higher than maintaining a modern system as old parts become difficult to acquire.

McHenry County Division of Transportation Update – Jeff Young

Mr. Young provided an update on various projects including resurfacing projects that will be going out to bid soon, the construction viewer website will be updated to reflect those bid, the Randall Road website will be updating to reflect construction which also includes email alerts. He provided an update on the County's Transit Plan that will be approved by the County Board the following week Tuesday and if anyone has any questions they should contact Scott Hennings.

IDOT STP Local Program Update – Gerardo Fierro

Mr. Fierro commented on the STP Status Sheets explaining if the Council has any questions to contact him after the meeting. Two projects in the area have received design approval – Cary Park District, and the township.

CMAP Report – Cody Sheriff

Surface Transportation Program – Local (STP-L)

CMAP has been in frequent communication with IDOT to discuss the region's needs so that the resources to program projects and see them through to a letting are made available. At this time projects that have a target letting prior to July 1 are being programmed in FFY 19 in the TIP, along with engineering and ROW phases targeting FFY 19. Project sponsors/consultants need to immediately notify the Planning Liaison of any changes to the status of an STP funded project, particularly if there is a funding or target letting change. At this time the amount of STP-L funds available for programming in FFY 20 has not been confirmed.

STP Project Selection Committee – The next meeting of the STP PSC is scheduled for March 28th.

Surface Transportation Program (STP) Shared Fund, Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ), and locally programmed Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP-L)

The call for projects ended on March 15, 2019. Staff is in the process of reviewing applications for completeness and will begin analysis of projects later this month. As a reminder, if CMAP staff or your planning liaison contacts you requesting additional information, you'll have 30 days to provide the missing information. The allocation of Council and CDOT Bonus Points for STP-Shared Fund projects must be submitted by May 21st. Staff recommended programs will be discussed with the respective project selection committees in July.

APA-IL Call for Projects

The American Planning Association - Illinois Chapter (APA-IL) is relaunching its Pro Bono Planning Services Program and is accepting applications from municipalities, neighborhood associations, nonprofits, and community organizations seeking assistance with planning projects. Applications are due March 29, 2019.

Household travel survey

CMAP is conducting the My Daily Travel survey, asking households in northeastern Illinois to tell us how they get from place to place in our region. Households can participate in the survey by signing up at www.MyDailyTravel.com/cmap or by calling 1-855-981-7286. Through the survey, CMAP will gain a greater understanding of how to make the best use of limited resources for future transportation investments. Households that complete the survey will earn \$50.

CMAP is asking for your help to spread the word about the survey, and has prepared a partner toolkit containing sample newsletter and social media language that can be used to encourage participation. All of you, your family, and friends living within the 9 county region (includes DeKalb and Grundy) are strongly encouraged to participate in the survey!

In addition, school districts that partner with My Daily Travel to promote the survey to their schools' communities will receive \$10 per household that completes the survey. School districts that would like to participate must call the survey hotline (1-855-981-7286) to receive a customized URL, which will enable surveys to be "marked" as benefiting their district.

ON TO 2050 Regional Water Demand Forecast

CMAP developed the ON TO 2050 Regional Water Demand Forecast to inform decisions about land use, transportation, and infrastructure that affect water supply and demand. The forecast is based on the ON TO 2050 Socioeconomic forecast and presents estimated water use in 5-year intervals to the year 2050 at the municipal, county, and regional scale, as well as by drinking water source and sector. The data provides individual

forecasts for 245 municipalities in the region, downloadable from the CMAP Data Hub. As a long-range water demand forecast, it is intended for planning purposes and is not suited for assessing infrastructure capacity. CMAP is hoping to get this resource out to communities via a presentation that provides an overview of the regional results as well as how to use and access the municipal-scale forecasts.

- A. Executive Council of Mayors Committee Report
No report.
- B. CMAP Board Report - Carolyn Schofield
No report.

6. SMART CITIES

Presenter not present, no presentation.

7. MCCOM Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee

Mr. Sheriff provided an update on the County's Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan that is programmed in FFY2020. The most recent plan, the Subregional Bicycle Plan, was published in June of 1996 by the McHenry County Council of Mayors. The MCCOM Bicycle and Pedestrian committee will be created to oversee the development and maintenance of the new plan. County staff are hoping to apply for Statewide Planning and Research Funds when they become available. MCCOM staff are seeking volunteers to serve on the committee and any interested parties are to contact Mr. Sheriff.

8. MCCOM PROGRAMMING AND PROCEDURES REVIEW COMMITTEE UPDATE

Mr. Sheriff provided a brief update about the recent Review Committee meeting on March 1, 2019. He will provide more details to the whole council once committee members have had a chance to review a draft.

9. MCHENRY COUNTY COUNCIL OF MAYORS SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM

Mr. Sheriff commented that the last few projects are making their way to letting. If anyone had any questions to contact him after the meeting.

10. PLANNING LIAISON REPORT

Mr. Sheriff gave an update on the various training opportunities including IDOT's Phase 1 Training Course which will be in the County Administration Building on May 22, 2019. Ride Illinois will also be presenting on Bikeway Design Strategies March 22, 2019. Mr. Sheriff commented on IDOT forms and processes explaining it'll be important to pay attention to the CMAP Transportation Committee meeting times which approve TIP changes.

11. OTHER BUSINESS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Mack commented that Barrington's US 14 project will most likely provide an update to the Council soon and request the Council's STP-Shared Fund Bonus Points.

12. NEXT MEETING DATE AND LOCATION

Thursday, May 16, 2019

Time: 2:00 p.m.

Location: McHenry County Division of Transportation

Room: Main Conference Room

Address: 16111 Nelson Road, Woodstock, IL

13. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting concluded at 2:28 p.m.

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