

**MARATHON COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION**  
**Minutes**  
**December 10, 2019**

**Commissioners:** John Robinson-Chair, George Peterson-Vice Chair, Jeff Gates (for Jacobson), Gaylene Rhoden (for Opall), Michael Wodalski (for Sparks), Mark Thuot (for Hoehn), Robert Mielke, Randy Fifrick (for Voll), Keith Donner, Tim Buttke

**TAC Members:** Dave Mack, Andrew Lynch, Darryl Landeau, Dave Muerette, Keith Rusch

**Others Present:** Brenda Iczkowski

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 2:00 p.m. in the Room 5, 212 River Drive, Wausau, Wisconsin.

2. Welcome and Introductions

All were welcomed and introductions were made.

3. Public Comment – NONE

4. Approve Minutes November 12, 2019 meeting

**Action:** MOTION / SECOND BY MIELKE / THUOT TO APPROVE THE NOVEMBER 12, 2019 MINUTES AS DISTRIBUTED. MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE, NO DISSENT.

5. Surface Transportation Program-Block Grant Project Selection

**Discussion:** Lynch reviewed November's meeting discussion of the Surface Transportation Program Block Grant Project. The Technical Advisory Committee reviewed the scoring for the top 3 projects. The City of Wausau-Stewart Avenue, Town of Rib Mountain-Lilac Avenue and the City of Mosinee-Main Street and the scoring is included in the packet. Funding scenarios were discussed as the City of Wausau should receive 70% funding, excluding the Town of Rib Mountain due to not being at 55% funding.

Muerett shared he spoke with the local program staff in the WisDOT central office on the timeline of the MLS and STP-Urban program. Central office stated 500 applications were received and its intention to get through all the applications by the beginning of February. Also, all MPO's will have the opportunity to re-rank the projects if the MLS is awarded.

Lynch continued with the updated cost number for the City of Mosinee. The City of Mosinee cost numbers were incorrect on the spreadsheet and the revised version was sent out as a 2<sup>nd</sup> packet. At today's Technical Advisory Committee meeting, staff recommended the STBG funding be distributed to the City of Wausau-Stewart Avenue at \$2,730,000 or 70% eligible cost and the City of Mosinee –Main Street at \$396,343 or 65% eligible cost. If a project gets funded with the MLS grant, the STBG funding would be revisited using the rankings as they are currently.

**Action:** MOTION / SECOND BY DONNER / BUTTKE TO ACCEPT THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND FORWARD THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS TO WISDOT. MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE, NO DISSENT.

Follow Through:

6. Long Range Planning Process and Review of Historic Plans

**Discussion:** Lynch shared the Long Range Transportation plan is due in November 2021. The Long Range Transportation Plan (LRP) looks for the needs of overpasses, connections, or bridges for the area. Included in the packet, were historic maps from the 2020 LRP. Mack discussed the plans starting with the 1996 map showing transportation, growth, land use, and the bike plan. The map shows primary and sub centers that were to take place. During the planning process, the alternatives map were the projects being looked at during the planning process in the 1990's. The Local Arterial Circulation Plan map created in 2000 shows the state funding of the Highway 29/51 corridor project. The next map was from the LRP of 2006. The Roadway Improvement Alternatives still showed the looping of the roads with the interchange and on the map only a couple of projects were completed. Some of the routes on the

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map are still in discussion. The 2011 LRP change in traffic modeling. Showing the capacity in the roads in existence. The last map from 2015 LRP is the level of service in the traffic model for congestion. A few spots on the map show some congestion. Staff plans to meet with the communities to discuss arterial and bridge projects in the future.

Action: **FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY.**

Follow Through: NONE AT THIS TIME.

## 7. Discussion on Water Supply Coordination in the Metro Area

Discussion: Robinson asked the committee if the municipalities had issues or concerns on the water supply and distribution in their communities. The municipalities shared the discussions they've had with each other and are open to coordinating more with each other on this issue. The committee asked each municipalities to give a presentation at a future meeting on what they are doing with their water supply and distribution and their needs or concerns.

Action: **FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY.**

Follow Through: NONE AT THIS TIME.

## 8. Discussion on Issues for Future Meetings

Discussion: Water Supply Coordination,

Action: **FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY.**

Follow Through: Staff to inform commission of future updates.

## 9. Next Meeting – January 14, 2020

Action: THIS MEETING WILL BE SCHEDULED.

Follow Through: STAFF WILL SCHEDULE THIS MEETING

## 10. Adjourn

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

Submitted by:

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Marathon County Conservation, Planning and Zoning

DM: BI

February 5, 2020