



MARATHON COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
Minutes
July 11, 2023

Meeting Attendance: John Robinson – Chair, George Peterson – Vice-chair, Jeff Gates (for Jacobson), Dave Meurett (for Wickham), Darryl Landeau, Andrew Lynch, Katie Rosenberg, Dave Mack, Lance Mueller, Matthew Rosenbloom-Jones, Mark Thuot (for Hoehn), Michael Wodalski (for Maloney), Eric Lindman, Jason Nordberg, Milt Olsen, Allen Wesolowski

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 Chairperson Robinson at 2:06 p.m. in the Large Conference Room, 210 River Drive, Wausau and virtually via WebEx.

2. Public Comment – None

3. Approve Minutes May 9, 2023, Commission Meeting

Action: MOTION / SECOND BY / OLSEN/PETERSEN TO APPROVE THE MAY 9, 2023, MINUTES. MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE, NO DISSENT.

4. 2024-2028 Funding Established for State Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO)

Discussion: Mack explained that WisDOT prepared a new table outlining the metro area populations for the MPOs within Wisconsin from 2010 to 2020, using Census data. The Wausau metro population increased by 2,797, which is an approximate 3.5% increase. WisDOT staff has requires each MPO concur with these figures before they move forward with releasing new MPO planning funds. A template letter was included as part of the packet and needs approval from the Commission to sign and send to WisDOT.

Action: MOTION / SECOND BY THUOT/OLSEN TO CONCUR WITH THE 2020 U.S. CENSUS URBAN AREA POPULATION TOTALS TO BE USED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE PLANNING DISTRIBUTION FORMULA. MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE, NO DISSENT.

Follow Through: Staff will get letter signed and sent to WisDOT.

5. 2024-2028 Surface Transportation Program (STP) Applications

Discussion: Mack noted a typo in the agenda and that the years for this item should be 2024-2029. Mack explained a general overview of the STP local program. Meurett mentioned the application that WisDOT accepted a few months ago should announce awards soon. The Chairman asked Meurett to notify the MPO when that happens. Meurett also mention another round of Carbon Reduction will be coming out soon, so be on the lookout. Mack asked Meurett how much STP urban will be allocated to the MPO. Meurett did not know the amount, but that if will probably be determined in the next few months. The Chairman asked MPO staff to put together a chart of the different funding sources, what they are for, and when the funds will be released.

Action: NONE

Follow Through: Staff will create a list of funding sources and provide it to the Chairman and the Commission.

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6. 2024-2028 Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP)

Discussion: Mack notified the Commission of the upcoming funding cycle. Mack did ask for clarification from Meurett regarding the timeline for when applications are approved by the MPO and by WisDOT.

Action: **NONE.**

Follow Through: Meurett will notify Mack of the proper timeline and Mack will relay this to the Commission.

7. 2022-2026 Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Funding Recipients

Discussion: Mack shared a table found in the meeting packet listing all of the TAP awards from the last funding cycle. There were multiple projects within the MPO that were funded. Mack encouraged everyone to apply for funds in this next funding cycle.

Action: **NONE AT THIS TIME.**

Follow Through: None.

8. Agenda Items for Next Meeting Date – August 8, 2023

Discussion: None were proposed.

Action: **NONE AT THIS TIME.**

Follow Through: None.

9. Adjournment

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

Follow Through: None.

Submitted by:

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