



**MARATHON COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION
TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Minutes – August 12, 2025**

Members: Laurie Miskimins, Aaron Anklam, Jim Griesbach, Brain Grefe, Darryl Landeau, Dave Eckmann, Gaylene Rhoden, Jared Grande, Peter Kampfer, Greg Ulman, Peter Wegner, Ryan VanDeWalle, Tim Vergara, Jami Gebert, Michael Wodalski, Doug Mielke, Mark Thuot, Eric Lindman, Brad Lenz, Arran Hersey, Dave Meurett, Jason Nordberg, Evan Gross, Sydney Turner

Attendees: Laurie Miskimins, Aaron Anklam, Kevin Lang, Darryl Landeau, Gaylene Rhoden, Ryan VanDeWalle, Michael Wodalski, Mark Thuot, Eric Lindman, Brad Lenz, Dave Meurett, Jeff Gates, Randy Fifrick, Allen Wesolowski, Kevin Lang

1. Call Meeting to Order

The presence of a quorum, the agenda being properly signed and posted, the meeting was called to order by Anklam at 1:03 PM in the Wisconsin Room at 1000 Lake View Drive, Wausau, WI 54403 and virtually via WebEx.

2. Introductions

Attendees introduced themselves.

3. Approval of Minutes: November 9, 2023, MPOTAC Meeting

ACTION: MOTION / SECOND BY THUOT/LANG TO APPROVE THE NOVEMBER 9, 2023 MINUTES OF THE TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE. MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE, NO DISSENT.

4. Policy Issues, Discussion, and Possible Committee Action

A. Wausau MPO Functional Classification System Map

Discussion: Anklam and Meurett provided overview of changes to how functional classification is done, including the new criteria that considers AADT, land use, and spacing between roadways to determine functional classification. Twenty roads within the MPO boundary are proposed for reclassification, with most going to a lower classification, however all but three would still remain eligible for STP-Urban funding. The three roadways going to local included one in the Village of Kronenwetter and two within the City of Wausau.

ACTION: MOTION / SECOND BY LANG/WODALSKI TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE FUNCTIONAL CLASS UPDATE TO THE MPO PLANNING COMMISSION. MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE, NO DISSENT.

Follow through: The recommendation will be taken up by the MPO Planning Commission at the next meeting.

5. Educational Presentations and Committee Discussion

A. 2026-20231 STP-URBAN FUNDING CYCLE

DISCUSSION: Anklam and Meurett reviewed the details of the upcoming STP-Urban proposal submittals, reminding the TAC that historically, we have asked to have all applications submitted in advance of the October 31st, 2025, deadline, to allow the TAC and MPO enough time to review. The TAC discussed agreeing to a Friday, October 3, 2025, submittal deadline to the MPO. The

applications will be reviewed by the TAC and the MPO Planning Commission on Tuesday, October 14, 2025.

Criteria for the applications was reviewed, with one member commenting that in the next cycle consideration for updating the criteria would be in order. Some communities, because of their geographical location, do not have the opportunity to have submit proposals where multiple communities are collaborating. Therefore, they miss out on points in this category.

B. 2026-2023 TAP FUNDING CYCLE

Discussion: Anklam and Meurett reviewed the details of the upcoming TAP proposal submittals, reminding the TAC that historically, we have asked to have all applications submitted in advance of the October 31st, 2025, deadline, to allow the TAC and MPO enough time to review. The TAC discussed agreeing to a Friday, September 26, 2025, submittal deadline to the MPO. The applications will be reviewed by the TAC and the MPO Planning Commission on Tuesday, October 14, 2025.

6. Next Meeting Date & Time, Announcements, and Future Agenda Items

A. Next Meeting Date & Time – October/November – Exact date and time TBD

Discussion: The next meeting will be October 14th, 2025, at 1pm, one hour prior to the MPO Planning Commission meeting.

B. Future Agenda Items – STP-Urban & TAP

7. Adjournment

ACTION: MOTION / SECOND BY RHODEN/WODALSKI TO ADJOURN THE MEETING OF THE MARATHON COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE AT 1:34PM. MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE, NO DISSENT.

Submitted by:
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