



MARATHON COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION AGENDA



Date & Time of Meeting: **Tuesday, June 9, 2026, at 2:00pm**

Meeting Location: **Wisconsin Room, 1000 Lake View Drive, Wausau, WI 54403**

Planning Commission Members: Duane Gau – Chair, Allen Opall (Designee, Gaylene Rhoden – Vice Chair), Dan Helgeson, Judith Hase, Steve Hagman, Doug Diny, Tim Buttke, Matt Lee Baer, David Phelps, Mark Maloney, Dan Joling, Kregg Hoehn, Tom Helbach, Matthew Bronson

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1. **Call Meeting to Order**
2. **Public Comment**
3. **Approval of Minutes: May 19, 2026, MPO Planning Commission Meeting**
4. **Policy Issues, Discussion, and Possible Commission Action**
 - A. 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment
5. **Educational Presentations and Commission Discussion**
6. **Next Meeting Date & Time, Announcements, and Future Agenda Items**
 - A. Next Meeting Date and Time – Tuesday, July 14th, 2026, at 2:00 PM
 - B. Future Agenda Items – LRTP, City of Wausau NHS changes
7. **Adjournment**

Any person planning to attend this meeting who needs some type of special accommodation to participate should call the County Clerk's Office at 715-261-1500 or email countyclerk@marathoncounty.gov one business day before the meeting.

EMAILED TO: Courthouse, WDH, City Pages, and other Media Groups

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DATE: 6/2/2026

EMAIL TIME: 2:00pm

SIGNED: _____
PRESIDING OFFICER OR DESIGNEE

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DATE & TIME: _____



**MARATHON COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
May 19th, 2026**

Meeting Attendance:

Duane Gau – Chair, Gaylene Rhoden – Vice Chair, Ryan VanDeWalle, Jeff Gates, Dave Muerett, Brad Lenz, Sydney Turner, Michael Woldalski,

1. Call Meeting to Order

In the presence of a quorum, with the agenda being properly signed and posted, the meeting was called to order by Chairperson Gau at 2:01 p.m. in the Wisconsin Room, 1000 Lake View Drive, Wausau, WI 54403 and virtually via WebEx.

2. Introductions

Discussion: All attendees in-person and virtually introduced themselves.

3. Public Comment

Discussion: No public comment given or received.

4. Approval of Minutes: February 10th, 2026, Joint MPO Planning Commission & Technical Advisory Committee Meeting

Action: Motion/Second by Rhoden/VanDeWalle to approve February 10th, 2026, Joint MPOC & TAC Minutes as presented. Motion carried by voice vote, no dissent.

5. Policy Issues, Discussion, and Possible Commission Action

A. 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment

Discussion: Anklam discussed the TIP amendment projects included in the packet, giving an overview of both projects.

Action: Motion/Second by Gates/Rhoden to approve the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment as presented. Motion carried by voice vote, no dissent.

6. Educational Presentations and Commission Discussion

A. Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant

Discussion: Anklam provided an overview of the upcoming application and noted that the MPO is seeking approval to submit. The only change from the previous year's application is the dates. Anklam discussed that the application will request funding for a Comprehensive Safety Action Plan for the MPO area in the amount of 160,000 dollars, with an expected in-kind contribution from municipalities in the amount of 40,000 dollars and an estimated monthly commitment of 3–4 hours from municipal staff. Total project cost would be \$200,000.

Rhoden asked whether support letters would be helpful for the application. Anklam explained that support letters are not required but suggested they might help strengthen our application this time around. Anklam also explained that he refreshed the project narrative based on the feedback staff

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received about their previous year's application in hopes of strengthening the application. Gau expressed support for including a letter of support and asked if municipalities could contribute one. Rhoden committed to providing a letter of support. Anklam will distribute a support letter template.

The deadline for submission is 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday May 26th. Anklam asked that all support letters be sent to him by 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday May 26th.

Action: Motion/Second by VanDeWalle/Rhoden to approve staff submitting the application for an SS4A grant. Motion carried by voice vote, no dissent.

Next Meeting Date & Time, Announcements, and Agenda Items for Next Meeting Date

B. Next Meeting Date and Time – Tuesday, June 9th, 2026, at 2:00 PM

C. Future Agenda Items – TIP Amendment

7. Adjournment

Action: There being no further business before the members, Motion/Second by Gau/VanDeWalle to adjourn the meeting of the Marathon County Metropolitan Planning Commission at 2:16pm Motion carried by voice vote, no dissent.

Submitted by:

Aaron Anklam, Transportation Planner

Wausau MPO

**AMENDMENT
TO THE
2025-2028
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT
PROGRAM (TIP)**

**FOR THE
MARATHON COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING
COMMISSION/WAUSAU AREA METROPOLITAN
PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO)**

June 9, 2026

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COMMISSION RESOLUTION #4-26

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE AMENDMENT TO THE 2025-2028 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE WAUSAU METROPOLITAN AREA

WHEREAS, the Marathon County Metropolitan Planning Commission was designated the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Wausau Urbanized Area; and

WHEREAS, in compliance with Metropolitan Transportation Planning Regulations by the U.S. Department of Transportation, the Marathon County Metropolitan Planning Commission has developed a four-year transportation improvement program (TIP) for the Wausau Metropolitan Area; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Improvement Program identifies transit, pedestrian/bicycle, and highway improvement projects and programs consistent with current transportation plans;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Marathon County Metropolitan Planning Commission endorses the *Long Range Transportation Plan for the Wausau Metropolitan Area* and the *Transit Development Program for the Wausau Area Transit System*, which will be continually updated and maintained as part of the urban transportation planning process;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Marathon County Metropolitan Planning Commission approves the *changes to the resurfacing project (373-25-039) on STH 153 from Eastview Drive to Andrys Lane, and attaches the 2025-2028 TIP Amendment Table 1 and 2 Spreadsheets* as part of this amendment to the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program for the Wausau Metropolitan Area; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, in accordance with 23 CFR 450.336, the Wausau Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Wausau, WI urbanized area hereby certifies that the metropolitan transportation planning process is addressing the major issues facing the metropolitan planning area and is being conducted in accordance with all applicable requirements of:

1. 23 U.S.C. 134 and 49 U.S.C. 5303, and this subpart;
2. Sections 174 and 176 (c) and (d) of the Clean Air Act as amended (42 U.S.C. 7504, 7506 (c) and (d)) and 40 CFR part 93;
3. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 USC 2000d-1) and 49 CFR part 21;
4. 49 USC 5332, prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed,

national origin, sex, or age in employment or business opportunity;

5. Section 1101(b) of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST Act) (Pub. L. 114-357) and 49 CFR Part 26 regarding the involvement of disadvantaged business enterprises in the US DOT funded projects;
6. 23 CFR part 230, regarding the implementation of an equal employment opportunity program on Federal and Federal-aid highway construction contracts;
7. The provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 *et seq.*) and 49 CFR Parts 27, 37, and 38;
8. The Older Americans Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 6101, prohibiting discrimination on the basis of age in programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance;
9. Section 324 of title 23, U.S.C. regarding the prohibition of discrimination based on gender; and
10. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794) and 49 CFR 27 regarding discrimination against individuals with disabilities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Marathon County Metropolitan Planning Commission certifies that the Transportation Improvement Program contains only projects that are consistent with the transportation plan for the urban area and recommends that this document be submitted to the appropriate federal and state agencies for approval.

Dated this 9th day of June 2026



Duane Gau, Commission Chairman



Laurie Miskimins, MPO Commission Secretary

2025 - 2028 TABLE 1 AMENDMENT
TIP PROJECT LISTING (\$)

Amendment 6/9/2026

Red text indicates changes

PRIMARY JURISDICTION/ PROJECT LOCATION	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	TYPE OF COST	2025				2026				2027				2028				COMMENTS FOS# & Let Date P=preservation E=expansion
			FED	STATE	LOCAL	TOTAL	FED	STATE	LOCAL	TOTAL	FED	STATE	LOCAL	TOTAL	FED	STATE	LOCAL	TOTAL	

Highway Section - Project Changes

78	City of Mosinee and Village of Kronenwetter	Resurfacing STH 153 Eastview Drive to Andrys Lane	PE ROW CONST TOTAL	\$127,890	\$127,890														Let Date: 2/8/2028 State Project ID: 6600-00-03/73 P Total improvement cost: \$1,539,900. This total includes current and future project phases which may be outside of the four-year TIP cycle and is for illustrative purposes only.
				\$127,890	\$127,890									\$1,129,608	\$282,402		\$1,412,010		
		373-25-039												\$1,129,608	\$282,402		\$1,412,010		(NHPP)

TABLE 2
Assessment of Available Funding for the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program

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Funding Source		Programmed Expenditures				Estimated Available Funding			
Agency	Program	2025	2026	2027	2028	2025	2026	2027	2028
Federal Highway	NHPP	\$23,632,389	\$14,513,800	\$36,000	\$15,056,997	\$23,632,389	\$14,513,800	\$36,000	\$15,056,997
Administration	STBG	\$0	\$1,212,247	\$2,634,977	\$6,092,270	\$0	\$1,212,247	\$2,634,977	\$6,092,270
	BR	\$0	\$2,025,208	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,025,208	\$0	\$0
	IM	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	TAP	\$2,326,717	\$847,937	\$0	\$0	\$2,326,717	\$847,937	\$0	\$0
	CRP	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	HSIP	\$180,000	\$180,000	\$180,000	\$0	\$180,000	\$180,000	\$180,000	\$0
	WEVI	\$885,428	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$885,428	\$0	\$0	\$0
	OCR	\$178,265	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$178,265	\$0	\$0	\$0
Totals		\$27,202,799	\$18,779,192	\$2,850,977	\$21,149,267	\$27,202,799	\$18,779,192	\$2,850,977	\$21,149,267
Totals	Inflated by 2.93% Annually	\$27,202,799	\$19,329,422	\$3,018,044	\$23,008,288	\$27,202,799	\$19,329,422	\$3,018,044	\$23,008,288

Federal Transit Administration	Section 5307 -- Wausau Urbanized Area	\$1,418,551	\$1,461,107	\$1,490,329	\$1,621,329	\$1,418,551	\$1,461,107	\$1,490,329	\$1,621,329
	Section 5310	\$603,435	\$511,568	\$0	\$0	\$603,435	\$511,568	\$0	\$0
	Section 5339	\$3,570,424	\$2,834,955	\$0	\$0	\$3,570,424	\$2,834,955	\$0	\$0
	Section 5307 - Other	\$109,681	\$325,395	\$114,112	\$124,142	\$109,681	\$325,395	\$114,112	\$124,142
Totals		\$5,702,091	\$5,133,025	\$1,604,441	\$1,745,471	\$5,702,091	\$5,133,025	\$1,604,441	\$1,745,471
Totals	Inflated by 2.93% Annually	\$5,702,091	\$5,283,423	\$1,698,461	\$1,898,898	\$5,702,091	\$5,283,423	\$1,698,461	\$1,898,898

The four-year totals indicate that estimated funding is reasonably expected to be available in comparison to programmed expenditures for the 2025-2028 TIP. There are a few instances where programmed funding appears to exceed estimated available funding when comparing amounts from year to year. In general, this can be attributed to differences in applied inflation rates between revenue and expenditures. There are also instances where projects have been selected and programmed in the previous TIP, but have not yet been completed and remain in the TIP but do not require additional funding (such as transit capital projects). For NHPP funding, this could be attributed to larger projects, such as freeway reconstruction projects, programmed by WisDOT in the four years of the TIP that can be authorized using Advance Construction allowance from FHWA or funded through alternate funding sources not indicated within this fiscal constraint report. Additionally, the years in the TIP represent calendar years but the State fiscal year runs from July 1 of a year to June 30 of the following year. Depending on what proportion of available Federal funding is scheduled in the two halves of the State fiscal year, it could appear that more funding is being scheduled for obligation than what is estimated for a particular calendar year.