



La Crosse Area Planning Committee

*Metropolitan Planning Organization
Serving the La Crosse/La Crescent Urbanized Area*

Tom Faella, Director Jackie Eastwood, Transportation Planner
La Crosse County Administrative Center
212 6th Street North ☎ Room 1200 ☎ La Crosse, WI 54601-1200
Telephone: 608.785.5977 or 608.785.6141 FAX: 608.793.6525

Minutes of LAPC Meeting, September 20, 2017

Minutes of the meeting of the La Crosse Area Planning Committee held on Wednesday, September 20, 2017 at 4:30 pm in Room 1107 of the La Crosse County Administrative Center, 212 6th St S, La Crosse, WI.

Members Present: Joe Chilsen, City of Onalaska; Jerry Monti for Rolly Bogert, Town of Onalaska; Terry Schaller, Town of Campbell; Nancy Proctor, Village of Holmen; Mike Weibel for Linda Seidel, Town of Medary; Mike Giese for Tara Johnson, La Crosse County; David Marshall for Tim Kabat, City of La Crosse. **Members Excused:** Tara Johnson, La Crosse County; Tim Kabat, City of La Crosse; Dennis Manthei, Village of West Salem. **Others Present:** Stephanie Averbek, Chris Hubbuch, Francis Schelfhout, Lewis Kuhlman, Tom Faella, Jackie Eastwood.

Call to Order: Nancy Proctor called the meeting to order at 4:32 pm.

1) Approval of Minutes of the July 19, 2017 LAPC Meeting:

Mike Weibel motioned to approve the minutes of the July 19 meeting; David Marshall seconded. With Joe Chilsen not yet in attendance, all others were in favor.

2) Public comment relative to agenda items, with 5 minute time limit per comment:

Joe Chilsen called three times for the opportunity to make public comment. No comments were received.

3) 2017 Surface Transportation-Urban Program Applications Prioritization:

Tom Faella stated that WisDOT has not yet released the final amount to be allocated to the La Crosse area. We hope to have the final number by November.

4) Resolution 4-2017 Amending the 2017-2020 TIP:

Mike Weibel motioned to approve Resolution 4-2017 amending the 2017-2020 TIP to include the flood damage projects; Nancy Proctor seconded. All were in favor.

5) Resolution 5 – 2017 Approving the LAPC 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program Project List:

Tom Faella stated that there are a couple of new projects with the most significant being \$1M for phase 3 of the Wagon Wheel Trail project. Some of the STH 16 project studies were removed. Francis Schelfhout stated that the State is reprioritizing its transportation investments and expansion projects are not where the State wants to spend its money right now. Expansion of the STH 16 bridges is likely because the fracture-critical bridges need to have room for maintenance vehicles while maintaining two lanes of traffic in each direction.

Mike Giese motioned to approve Resolution 5 – 2017 approving the 2018-2021 TIP project list; Mike Weibel seconded. All were in favor.

6) Resolution 6 – 2017 Approving the LAPC 2018 Planning Work Program:

Tom Faella stated that the work program has been reviewed and updated as needed by comments received.

Nancy Proctor motioned to approve Resolution 6 – 2017 approving the 2018 planning work program; Jerry Monti seconded. All were in favor.

7) Resolution 7 – 2017 Approving the Public Participation Plan and Title VI Plan:

Tom Faella stated that the public comment period for the plans has ended and significant comments were incorporated.

Mike Giese motioned to approve Resolution 7 – 2017 approving the public participation and Title VI plans; Mike Weibel seconded. All were in favor.

8) LAPC 2017 Transportation Performance Report:

Jackie Eastwood gave a brief overview of the report stating that she removed several measures because she could no longer get the data and modified the rate measures to represent La Crosse County instead of the MSA because VMT was not available for Houston County. Mike Giese commented on the tracking measure for mean annual wage and how we're lagging behind other areas. Joe Chilsen suggested that we have Taggart Brookes from UWL come to speak to the Board on economic indicators. David Marshall asked Ms. Eastwood if the report could be used with the Vision Zero effort to which she replied that tracking the safety measures would be a tool in identifying safety issues.

Mike Weibel motioned to accept and place on file the 2017 performance report; Nancy Proctor seconded. All were in favor.

9) Other business; Adjourn; Next meeting to be announced:

Tom Faella informed the Board that he would not be at the November 15 meeting, but that Jackie Eastwood will be there. Mr. Faella went on to announce that the SMRT Bus service will be adding a Tomah-Sparta-La Crosse route in October and that there will be a ribbon cutting at 7:00 pm on October 2 at the bus stop at Gundersen Health Systems in La Crosse.

Jerry Monti motioned to adjourn at 5:05 pm; Mike Weibel seconded. All were in favor.