

**MICHIANA AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
MINUTES  
March 17, 2010**

The March meeting of the Michiana Area Council of Governments Policy Board was held on March 17, 2010 in the St. Joseph County Commissioners Conference Room on the 7<sup>th</sup> floor of the County-City Building in South Bend, Indiana. Ernest Wiggins, Chairman, called the meeting to order. It was noted there was a quorum present.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Ernest Wiggins, Mayor, City of Warsaw  
Robert Kovach, St. Joseph County Commissioner  
Allan Kauffman, Mayor, City of Goshen  
Mark Root, St. Joseph County Council  
Ron Truex, Kosciusko County Commissioner  
Oliver Davis, South Bend Council  
Judy Stone, Marshall County Council  
Robert Sanders, Kosciusko County Council  
Kevin Overmyer, Marshall County Commissioner

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** John Letherman, Elkhart County Commissioner  
Frank Lucchese, Elkhart County Commissioner  
Mark Senter, Mayor, City of Plymouth  
Ron Troyer, Elkhart City Council  
Jeff Rea, Mayor, City of Mishawaka  
Dick Moore, Mayor, City of Elkhart  
Stephen Luecke, Mayor, City of South Bend  
Larry Thompson, Mayor, City of Nappanee  
Woody Emmons, Mishawaka City Council

**OTHERS PRESENT:** George Herendeen, MACOG Attorney  
Larry Magliozzi, Area Plan Commission  
Ken Herceg, Ken Herceg & Associates  
Rita Kopala, Lakeville Citizen  
Sandra Seanor, MACOG  
Jessica Mitchell, MACOG  
James Turnwald, MACOG  
Mary Beth McAdams, MACOG  
Karen Hamm, MACOG  
Rosemary Barbara, MACOG  
Zach Dripps, MACOG  
Karen Mackowiak, MACOG  
Sherry Sellers, MACOG

**MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 10, 2010 MEETING**

There were no additions or corrections to the February 10, 2010 minutes.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ALLEN KAUFFMAN AND  
SECONDED BY KEVIN OVERMYER TO APPROVE THE  
MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 10, 2010. THE MOTION CARRIED.

**REPORTS**

**CHAIRMAN:** No report.

**FINANCIAL:**

Rosemary presented the February 2010 MACOG Financial Report. There being no questions by the Policy Board, she requested their approval of this report.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ALLAN KAUFFMAN  
AND SECONDED BY RON TRUEX TO APPROVE THE  
FEBRUARY 2010 FINANCIAL REPORT. THE MOTION  
CARRIED.

**SECRETARY:** No report.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

There was no Old Business.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Recommendations from the 03/03/10 Transportation Technical Advisory Committee**

Administrative Modifications, Amendments, Major Amendments to the FY2009-2014  
Transportation Improvement Program

**FORT WAYNE DISTRICT**

**Locally Initiated – Resolution – 13-10**

A. City of Elkhart Amendment Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN  
Resolution 13-10 Delete Project Phase: CN

Des #0810410 **Location: Miles Pedestrian Footbridge**  
**Transportation Enhancement** SFY: 2010  
Total: \$450,000 Federal: \$300,000 Local: \$150,000 (TE)

B. City of Elkhart Amendment Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN  
Resolution 13-10 Delete Project Phase: CN

Des #0089280 **Location: Rehabilitation of old NYC Railroad Depot**  
**Transportation Enhancement** SFY: 2008  
Total: \$762,500 Federal: \$610,000 Local: \$152,500 (TE)

C. Elkhart County Administrative Modification Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN  
Resolution 13-10 Decrease Federal Funds by \$512,304 Phase: CN

Des #0902305 **Location: Prairie St Bridge #363 (0.1 km N of Waterfall Dr) over  
the Elkhart River**  
**Bridge Rehabilitation** SFY: 2012  
Total: \$4,380,000 Federal: \$2,887,696 Local: \$1,492,304 (Grp II STP)

D. Elkhart County Administrative Modification Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN  
Resolution 13-10 Increase Federal Funds by \$512,304 (Grp II STP) Phase: CN

Des #0800045 **Location: CR 17 Fiber Optic Signal Interconnect – Phase I**  
**Other Project Type** SFY: 2010  
Total: \$2,262,304 Federal: \$2,262,304 Local: \$0 (CMAQ/Grp II STP)

James Turnwald presented the locally initiated Fort Wayne District TIP amendments and administrative modifications contained in Resolution 13-10. The Policy Board had no questions on this resolution and the following action was taken:

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ALLAN KAUFFMAN  
AND SECONDED BY ROBERT KOVACH TO APPROVE  
RESOLUTION 13-10. THE MOTION CARRIED.

**FORT WAYNE DISTRICT**

**Locally Initiated – Resolution 20-10 - JOBS**

A. Kosciusko County Amendment Exempt Project in Kosciusko County, IN  
Resolution 20-10 Add Project Phase: CN  
Des #TBA **Location: Old US 30 W from Zimmer Rd to 350 W**  
**HMA Overlay SFY: 2010**  
Total: \$175,000 Federal: \$ 0 Local: \$175,000 (CN) (JOBS)  
Total: \$ 26,250 Federal: \$ 0 Local: \$ 26,250 (CE) (JOBS)

James Turnwald presented this locally initiated Fort Wayne District TIP amendment in Kosciusko County. There being no questions, he requested the Policy Board's approval of this resolution.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ALLAN KAUFFMAN  
AND SECONDED BY RON TRUEX TO APPROVE  
RESOLUTION 20-10. THE MOTION CARRIED.

**FORT WAYNE DISTRICT**

**District Initiated – Resolution 14-10**

A. Fort Wayne INDOT Amendment Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN  
Resolution 14-10 Add Project Phase: CN  
Des #0800169 **Location: US 6 from SR 15 to SR 13 E Jct**  
**HMA Overlay, Preventative Maintenance SFY: 2011**  
Total: \$1,650,000 Federal: \$1,320,000 State: \$330,000 (STP)

James presented Resolution 14-10, a district initiated, Fort Wayne District amendment in Elkhart County. There were questions by the Policy Board. Their approval was requested.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ALLAN KAUFFMAN  
AND SECONDED BY KEVIN OVERMYER TO APPROVE  
RESOLUTION 14-10. THE MOTION CARRIED.

**FORT WAYNE DISTRICT**

**District Initiated – Resolution 15-10 – JOBS**

A. Fort Wayne INDOT Administrative Modification Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN  
Resolution 15-10 Change Funding Type Phase: CN  
Des #0810020 **Location: Various Locations on US 6, SR 9, SR 13, SR 15**  
**Traffic Signal Modernization SFY: 2010**  
Total: \$425,000 Federal: \$425,000 State: \$ 0 (JOBS)

Resolution 15-10 was also presented by James. This administrative modification in Elkhart County deals with traffic signal modernization. There were no questions on this resolution, thus the following action was taken.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ALLAN KAUFFMAN  
AND SECONDED BY JUDY STONE TO APPROVE  
RESOLUTION 15-10. THE MOTION CARRIED.

**Fort Wayne District Initiated – Resolution –22-10**

A. Fort Wayne INDOT Amendment Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN  
Resolution 22-10 Add Project Phase: PE/RW/CN

Des #0301142 **Location: SR 19 Township Ditch – 2.56 mile N of SR 119**  
**Small Structure Replacement**

|                  |                    |                                    |
|------------------|--------------------|------------------------------------|
| Total: \$125,000 | Federal: \$100,000 | State: \$25,000 (STP) (PE – 2011)  |
| Total: \$ 20,000 | Federal: \$ 16,000 | State: \$ 4,000 (STP) (PE – 2012)  |
| Total: \$120,000 | Federal: \$ 96,000 | State: \$24,000 (STP) (RW – 2012)  |
| Total: \$800,000 | Federal: \$640,000 | State: \$160,000 (STP) (CN – 2014) |

B. Fort Wayne INDOT Amendment Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN  
Resolution 22-10 Add Project Phase: PE/RW/CN

Des #0301143 **Location: SR 19 Br of Nunemaker Ditch, 4.63 miles N of SR 119**  
**Small Structure Replacement**

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| Total: \$125,000 | Federal: \$100,000 | State: \$25,000 (STP) (PE – 2011)  |
| Total: \$ 20,000 | Federal: \$ 16,000 | State: \$ 4,000 (STP) (PE – 2012)  |
| Total: \$120,000 | Federal: \$ 96,000 | State: \$24,000 (STP) (RW – 2012)  |
| Total: \$800,000 | Federal: \$640,000 | State: \$160,000 (STP) (CN – 2014) |

James presented the Fort Wayne District initiated projects in Resolution 22-10. There were no questions by the Policy Board and James asked for their approval of this resolution.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ALLAN KAUFFMAN  
AND SECONDED BY KEVIN OVERMYER TO  
APPROVE RESOLUTION 22-10. THE MOTION CARRIED.

**LAPORTE DISTRICT**

**Locally Initiated – Resolution – 16-10**

A. Town of New Carlisle Amendment Exempt Project in St. Joseph County, IN  
Resolution 16-10 Add Project Phase: CN

Des# 1000078 **Location: Michigan St. (US-20) Landscaping and Downtown**  
**Beautification**

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|------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|
|                  | <b>Transportation Enhancement</b> | SFY: 2013        |
| Total: \$678,750 | Federal: \$543,000 (TE)           | Local: \$137,750 |

B. Town of Culver Amendment Exempt Project in Marshall County, IN  
Resolution 16-10 Add Project Phase: CN

Des# 0902235 **Location: Main St Enhancements from Madison St to Washington St**  
**Transportation Enhancement** SFY: 2013

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| Total: \$527,500 | Federal: \$422,000 (TE) | Local: \$105,500 |
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James presented Resolution 16-10 which contains TIP amendments in New Carlisle and Culver. There were no questions concerning this resolution. James requested the Policy Board's approval.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ALLAN KAUFFMAN AND  
SECONDED BY KEVIN OVERMYER TO APPROVE  
RESOLUTION 16-10. THE MOTION CARRIED.

**LAPORTE DISTRICT - JOBS**

**Urban Locally Initiated Resolution 17-10**

A. St. Joseph County Amendment Exempt Project in St. Joseph County, IN  
Resolution 17-10 Add Project Phase: CN/CE

Des #TBA **Location: Cleveland Rd from Fir Rd to Ash Rd**

**Mill & Fill - Local Paving Project** SFY: 2010-2011

Total: \$391,500 Federal: \$391,500 (JOBS) Local: \$0 (CN)

Total: \$ 50,895 Federal: \$ 50,895 (JOBS) Local: \$0 (CE)

B. St. Joseph County Amendment Exempt Project in St. Joseph County, IN  
Resolution 17-10 Add Project Phase: CN/CE

Des #TBA **Location: Ireland Road from Linden to SB Limits**

**Mill & Fill - Local Paving Project** SFY: 2010-2011

Total: \$108,000 Federal: \$108,000 (JOBS) Local: \$0 (CN)

Total: \$ 14,400 Federal: \$ 14,040 (JOBS) Local: \$0 (CE)

C. St. Joseph County Amendment Exempt Project in St. Joseph County, IN  
Resolution 17-10 Add Project Phase: CN/CE

Des #TBA **Location: Bittersweet Rd from Cleveland Rd to Anderson Road**

**Mill & Fill - Local Paving Project** SFY: 2010-2011

Total: \$162,000 Federal: \$162,000 (JOBS) Local: \$0 (CN)

Total: \$ 21,060 Federal: \$ 21,060 (JOBS) Local: \$0 (CE)

D. St. Joseph County Amendment Exempt Project in St. Joseph County, IN  
Resolution 17-10 Add Project Phase: CN/CE

Des #TBA **Location: Grape Road from S.R. 23 to Brick Road**

**Mill & Fill - Local Paving Project** SFY: 2010-2011

Total: \$135,000 Federal: \$135,000 (JOBS) Local: \$0 (CN)

Total: \$ 17,550 Federal: \$ 17,550 (JOBS) Local: \$0 (CE)

E. St. Joseph County Amendment Exempt Project in St. Joseph County, IN  
Resolution 17-10 Add Project Phase: CN/CE

Des #TBA **Location: Bittersweet Road from McKinley Hwy to Day Rd**

**Mill & Fill - Local Paving Project** SFY: 2010-2011

Total: \$108,000 Federal: \$108,000 (JOBS) Local: \$0 (CN)

Total: \$ 14,040 Federal: \$ 14,040 (JOBS) Local: \$0 (CE)

F. St. Joseph County Amendment Exempt Project in St. Joseph County, IN  
Resolution 17-10 Add Project Phase: CN/CE

Des #TBA **Location: Kern Road from Ironwood Rd to 1.27 mi E. of Ironwood Rd (UAB)**

**Mill & Fill - Local Paving Project** SFY: 2010-2011

Total: \$135,000 Federal: \$135,000 (JOBS) Local: \$0 (CN)

Total: \$ 17,550 Federal: \$ 17,550 (JOBS) Local: \$0 (CE)

G. St. Joseph County Amendment Exempt Project in St. Joseph County, IN  
Resolution 17-10 Add Project Phase: CN/CE

Des #TBA **Location: Kern Road from 0.04 mi W. of Myrtle Rd (UAB) to US 31**

**Mill & Fill - Local Paving Project** SFY: 2010-2011

Total: \$378,000 Federal: \$378,000 (JOBS) Local: \$0 (CN)

Total: \$ 49,140 Federal: \$ 49,140 (JOBS) Local: \$0 (CE)

James presented Resolution 17-10 containing urban locally initiated projects in St. Joseph County. The Policy Board had no questions. James asked for their approval.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ALLAN KAUFFMAN  
AND SECONDED BY ROBERT SANDERS TO APPROVE  
RESOLUTION 17-10. THE MOTION CARRIED.

**LAPORTE DISTRICT - JOBS**

**Rural Locally Initiated Resolution 18-10**

A. St. Joseph County Amendment Exempt Project in St. Joseph County, IN  
Resolution 18-10 Add Project Phase: CN/CE

Des #TBA **Location: Pierce Road from SR 331 to Ash Rd**

**Mill & Fill - Local Paving Project** SFY: 2010-2011

Total: \$769,500 Federal: \$0 Local: \$769,500 (JOBS) (CN)

Total: \$100,035 Federal: \$0 Local: \$100,035 (JOBS) (CE)

B. St. Joseph County Amendment Exempt Project in St. Joseph County, IN  
Resolution 18-10 Add Project Phase: CN/CE

Des #TBA **Location: Kern Rd from 1.27 mi E. of Ironwood Rd (UAB) to Dogwood Rd**

**Mill & Fill - Local Paving Project** SFY: 2010-2011

Total: \$499,500 Federal: \$0 Local: \$499,500 (JOBS) (CN)

Total: \$ 64,935 Federal: \$0 Local: \$ 64,935 (JOBS) (CE)

C. St. Joseph County Amendment Exempt Project in St. Joseph County, IN  
Resolution 18-10 Add Project Phase: CN/CE

Des #TBA **Location: Kern Rd from Sumption Trail to 0.04 mi W. of Myrtle Rd (UAB)**

**Mill & Fill - Local Paving Project** SFY: 2010-2011

Total: \$148,500 Federal: \$0 Local: \$148,500 (JOBS) (CN)

Total: \$ 19,305 Federal: \$0 Local: \$ 19,305 (JOBS) (CE)

D. St. Joseph County Amendment Exempt Project in St. Joseph County, IN  
Resolution 18-10 Add Project Phase: CN/CE

Des #TBA **Location: Gumwood Road from Quinn Rd to Patterson Rd**

**HMA Overlay - Local Paving Project** SFY: 2010-2011

Total: \$45,500 Federal: \$0 Local: \$45,500 (JOBS) (CN)

Total: \$ 5,915 Federal: \$0 Local: \$ 5,915 (JOBS) (CE)

E. St. Joseph County Amendment Exempt Project in St. Joseph County, IN  
Resolution 18-10 Add Project Phase: CN/CE  
Des #TBA **Location: Patterson Road from Gumwood Rd to SR 331**  
**HMA Overlay - Local Paving Project** SFY: 2010-2011  
Total: \$77,000 Federal: \$0 Local: \$77,000 (JOBS) (CN)  
Total: \$10,010 Federal: \$0 Local: \$10,010 (JOBS) (CE)

F. St. Joseph County Amendment Exempt Project in St. Joseph County, IN  
Resolution 18-10 Add Project Phase: CN/CE  
Des #TBA **Location: Tamarack Road from Johnson Rd to Inwood Rd**  
**HMA Overlay - Local Paving Project** SFY: 2010-2011  
Total: \$227,500 Federal: \$0 Local: \$227,500 (JOBS) (CN)  
Total: \$ 29,575 Federal: \$0 Local: \$ 29,575 (JOBS) (CE)

G. St. Joseph County Amendment Exempt Project in St. Joseph County, IN  
Resolution 18-10 Add Project Phase: CN/CE  
Des #TBA **Location: Tulip Road from Inwood Rd to S.R. 2**  
**HMA Overlay - Local Paving Project** SFY: 2010-2011  
Total: \$455,000 Federal: \$0 Local: \$455,000 (JOBS) (CN)  
Total: \$ 59,150 Federal: \$0 Local: \$ 59,150 (JOBS) (CE)

H. St. Joseph County Amendment Exempt Project in St. Joseph County, IN  
Resolution 18-10 Add Project Phase: CN/CE  
Des #TBA **Location: Timothy Road from 0.4 mi N of Darden Rd Trail to State Line**  
**Mill & Fill - Local Paving Project** SFY: 2010-2011  
Total: \$285,600 Federal: \$0 Local: \$455,000 (JOBS) (CN)  
Total: \$ 37,128 Federal: \$0 Local: \$ 37,128 (JOBS) (CE)

I. St. Joseph County Amendment Exempt Project in St. Joseph County, IN  
Resolution 18-10 Add Project Phase: CN/CE  
Des #TBA **Location: Kenilworth Rd from Tyler Rd to Lake Trail**  
**HMA Overlay - Local Paving Project** SFY: 2010-2011  
Total: \$210,000 Federal: \$0 Local: \$210,000 (JOBS) (CN)  
Total: \$ 27,300 Federal: \$0 Local: \$ 27,300 (JOBS) (CE)

J. St. Joseph County Amendment Exempt Project in St. Joseph County, IN  
Resolution 18-10 Add Project Phase: CN/CE  
Des #TBA **Location: Kenilworth Road from Lake Trail to Patterson Rd**  
**HMA Overlay - Local Paving Project** SFY: 2010-2011  
Total: \$210,000 Federal: \$0 Local: \$210,000 (JOBS) (CN)  
Total: \$ 27,300 Federal: \$0 Local: \$ 27,300 (JOBS) (CE)

K. St. Joseph County Amendment Exempt Project in St. Joseph County, IN  
Resolution 18-10 Add Project Phase: CN/CE  
Des #TBA **Location: Tulip Road from S.R. 2 to US 20**  
**Mill & Fill - Local Paving Project** SFY: 2010-2011  
Total: \$325,000 Federal: \$0 Local: \$325,000 (JOBS) (CN)  
Total: \$ 42,250 Federal: \$0 Local: \$ 42,250 (JOBS) (CE)

L. St. Joseph County Amendment Exempt Project in St. Joseph County, IN  
Resolution 18-10 Add Project Phase: CN/CE  
Des #TBA **Location: Timothy Road from Chicago Trail to 0.4 mi N of Darden Rd**  
**HMA Overlay - Local Paving Project** SFY: 2010-2011  
Total: \$168,000 Federal: \$0 Local: \$168,000 (JOBS) (CN)  
Total: \$ 21,840 Federal: \$0 Local: \$ 21,840 (JOBS) (CE)

M. St. Joseph County Amendment Exempt Project in St. Joseph County, IN  
Resolution 18-10 Add Project Phase: CN/CE  
Des #TBA **Location: Quinn Road from Miami Hwy to Gumwood Rd**  
**Mill & Fill - Local Paving Project** SFY: 2010-2011  
Total: \$169,000 Federal: \$0 Local: \$169,000 (JOBS) (CN)  
Total: \$ 21,970 Federal: \$0 Local: \$ 21,970 (JOBS) (CE)

Resolution 18-10 was presented by James. This resolution contains rural locally initiated projects in the LaPorte District. There were no questions by the Policy Board and the following action was taken.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ALLAN KAUFFMAN  
AND SECONDED BY MARK ROOT TO APPROVE  
RESOLUTION 18-10. THE MOTION CARRIED.

#### **LAPORTE DISTRICT – JOBS – Resolution 21-10**

A. St. Joseph County Amendment Exempt Project in St. Joseph County, IN  
Resolution 21-10 Add Project Phase: CN/CE  
Des #TBA **Location: Day Road/Day Trail/Edison Road from Bittersweet Rd to Cedar Tr**  
**Mill & Fill - Local Paving Project** SFY: 2010-2011  
Total: \$94,500 Federal: \$94,500 (JOBS) Local: \$0 (CN)  
Total: \$12,285 Federal: \$12,285 (JOBS) Local: \$0 (CE)

B. St. Joseph County Amendment Exempt Project in St. Joseph County, IN  
Resolution 21-10 Add Project Phase: CN/CE  
Des #TBA **Location: Kenilworth Road from Cleveland Rd to Auten Rd**  
**Mill & Fill - Local Paving Project** SFY: 2010-2011  
Total: \$189,000 Federal: \$189,000 (JOBS) Local: \$0 (CN)  
Total: \$ 24,570 Federal: \$ 24,570 (JOBS) Local: \$0 (CE)

C. St. Joseph County Amendment Exempt Project in St. Joseph County, IN  
Resolution 21-10 Add Project Phase: CN/CE  
Des #TBA **Location: Madison Road from Locust Rd to US 31**  
**Mill & Fill - Local Paving Project** SFY: 2010-2011  
Total: \$130,000 Federal: \$130,000 (JOBS) Local: \$0 (CN)  
Total: \$ 16,900 Federal: \$ 16,900 (JOBS) Local: \$0 (CE)

D. St. Joseph County Amendment Exempt Project in St. Joseph County, IN  
Resolution 21-10 Add Project Phase: CN/CE  
Des #TBA **Location: State Line Road from Hollyhock Rd to Ironwood Rd**  
**Mill & Fill - Local Paving Project** SFY: 2010-2011  
Total: \$210,000 Federal: \$210,000 (JOBS) Local: \$0 (CN)

Total: \$ 27,300 Federal: \$ 27,300 (JOBS) Local: \$0 (CE)

E. St. Joseph County Amendment Exempt Project in St. Joseph County, IN  
Resolution 21-10 Add Project Phase: CN/CE

Des #TBA **Location: Hickory from SR 23 to Cleveland Road**

**Mill & Fill - Local Paving Project** SFY: 2010-2011

Total: \$54,000 Federal: \$54,000 (JOBS) Local: \$0 (CN)

Total: \$ 7,020 Federal: \$ 7,020 (JOBS) Local: \$0 (CE)

James presented Resolution 21-10. This resolution contained JOBS projects in the LaPorte District. There were no questions. James requested the Policy Board's approval.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ALLAN KAUFFMAN  
AND SECONDED BY KEVIN OVERMYER TO  
APPROVE RESOLUTION 21-10. THE MOTION CARRIED.

### Transit ARRA Resolutions

#### **Resolution 19-10**

A. Elkhart/Goshen Initiated Administrative Modification Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN  
Resolution 19-10 Clarify Number of Vehicles SFY: 2010

**Location: Elkhart-Goshen Urbanized Area**

**Replace up to six paratransit vehicles for HCR/GTS**

Total: \$126,615 Federal: \$126,615 (ARRA)

B. Elkhart/Goshen Initiated Administrative Modification Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN  
Resolution 19-10 Clarify Number of Vehicles SFY: 2010

**Location: Elkhart-Goshen Urbanized Area**

**Expand up to six paratransit vehicles for HCR/GTS**

Total: \$141,727 Federal: \$141,727 (ARRA)

C. Elkhart/Goshen Initiated Amendment Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN  
Resolution 19-10 Delete Project SFY: 2010

**Location: Elkhart-Goshen Urbanized Area**

**Operating Assistance**

Total: \$215,856 Federal: \$215,856 (ARRA)

D. Elkhart/Goshen Initiated Administrative Modification Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN  
Resolution 19-10 Increase Funding by \$215,856 SFY: 2010

**Location: Elkhart-Goshen Urbanized Area**

**Operating Assistance**

Total: \$215,856 Federal: \$215,856 (ARRA)

Karen Hamm presented Resolution 19-10 containing Transit ARRA projects. There were no questions and she requested the Policy Board's approval of this resolution.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ALLAN KAUFFMAN  
AND SECONDED BY OLIVER DAVIS TO APPROVE  
RESOLUTION 19-10. THE MOTION CARRIED.

## **Other Actions**

Sandi reported that MACOG has received two expansion buses for transit. MACOG is waiting for FHWA to approve the 100% ARRA funding for the new route that we hope to develop. This route would go from downtown Elkhart out to the Industrial Park and Ivy Tech. MACOG would like to start the route by April 15<sup>th</sup>, if funding is available.

Sandi also said that there is a formula by which systems are allocated funds. There is a caveat that says you can generate a certain amount of mass transportation revenue, but you have to match it dollar for dollar. It is called locally derived income. If you have fare revenue and you have a city or county putting money in, that is considered derived income. Some of the smaller systems can't get all of the Public Mass Transportation Funding (PMTF) money available to them, because they can't match the locally derived income. MACOG would like to see them waive that, which would allow more transit systems to be able to get the state funding that they have available to them and use it. They have begun to talk to the Commissioner of INDOT about this. They will also be talking to the transit system folks.

The South Bend Transportation Public Transportation Corporation is going to have to be raising their fares. Robert Kovach said the South Shore is also headed for an increase. Sandi said MACOG is looking into the possibility of some kind of monthly pass for the Interurban Trolley. We are all struggling to find ways to help the community without having to tap them for additional funds.

A question was raised as to the rationale behind the matching funds. Sandi said that everyone that has granting sources wants you to do certain things. The incentive is for people not to simply get federal and state money to operate their transit systems, they want additional participation. That can be done in a different way, however, like a level of expectation for fare revenue.

## **Staff Update**

The Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Call for Projects is complete. These projects are now being reviewed by INDOT and their partners. The projects are being managed through the MACOG FTP site. Decisions should be final by June.

Quarterly Tracking will be coming up at the April 7<sup>th</sup> TTAC meeting. Information is due to MACOG by March 29, 2010.

The Group IV Call for Kosciusko and Marshall Counties is due to MACOG by April 8, 2010.

Safe Routes to School projects (SRTS) are due to MACOG by May 3, 2010.

The April 14<sup>th</sup> Policy Board meeting will be held in the City of Warsaw at the Justice Building, 121 N. Lake Street, Warsaw, IN.

Sandi said MACOG has been working on the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS). MACOG has been talking to people about being on the Steering Committee. This process should start the first week in April. In order to receive a nod for grant money from EDA, it is required that the CEDS document have your projects in it in order to be considered for funding. MACOG will be sending out a letter that has a list of the appointees that can be

made to the Regional Economic Development District Board. The EDA Board will probably only meet a couple of times a year after the regular Policy Board meeting.

### **Presentation – Census Update – Larry Magliozzi, Area Plan Commission**

Larry Magliozzi passed out Census information to the Policy Board members. He gave a presentation containing Census information, promoting the importance of the Census and encouraging the Policy Board members to promote the Census in their jurisdictions.

### **VII. Privilege of the Floor**

Allan Kauffman expressed his thanks to the MACOG staff for their work that they are doing with the federal grants. He also expressed the opinion that this year's Road School was one of the best. He also mentioned a bike article that was in this month's Staff Notes.

Mayor Kauffman also expressed an opinion that the colored copies of the Power Point may not be necessary and may be an expense that could be avoided. Sandi replied that they are done because some members have trouble seeing the Power Point presentation off the television screen up on the wall. She also said that when the meetings are moved up to the 11<sup>th</sup> floor there will be a wider screen that will be used, thus making it easier to see.

### **VIII. Public Comment**

Rita Kopala brought up the Transpo fare increase and expressed her opinion that the increase will be a hardship on some of those that use the bus system.

Sandi replied that there is a point where you can't continue to subsidize something without telling people that it costs something. Transpo has not increased their fare in 18 years. Government cannot obviously do everything for everybody. With the 25 cent raise at Transpo, the fares of Transpo and the Interurban Trolley will now parrot each other. Nobody wants to pay more for things, but people need to understand if they want something, they are responsible for paying for part of it.

Rita spoke about high wages that are being paid out and things that are given out to people that could very well do it for themselves. There are people on the buses that can't do it for themselves. The majority of them that are there suffer through it because they have no choice. With what she has seen with the budgets and everything else, there could be a lot of changes made and it would be for the better of all.

### **IX. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the following action was taken:

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ALLAN KAUFFMAN AND  
SECONDED BY KEVIN OVERMYER TO ADJOURN THE  
MEETING. THE MOTION CARRIED.

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Sandra Seanor, Executive Director

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Ernest Wiggins, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-Chairman

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