

**MICHIANA AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
MINUTES
May 12, 2010**

The March meeting of the Michiana Area Council of Governments Policy Board was held on May 12, 2010 in the MACOG Conference Room. Mayor Ernest Wiggins, Chairman, called the meeting to order. It was noted there was a quorum present.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Judy Stone, Marshall County Council
Mark Senter, Mayor, City of Plymouth
Dick Moore, Mayor, City of Elkhart
Kevin Overmyer, Marshall County Commissioner
Mark Root, St. Joseph County Council
Jeff Rea, Mayor, City of Mishawaka
Bob Kovach, St. Joseph County Commissioner
John Letherman, Elkhart County Council
Frank Lucchese, Elkhart County Commissioner
Allan Kaufman, Mayor, City of Goshen
Oliver Davis, South Bend Common Council

MEMBERS ABSENT: Woody Emmons, Mishawaka City Council
Stephen Luecke, Mayor, City of South Bend
Ron Troyer, Elkhart City Council
Larry Thompson, Mayor, City of Nappanee
Robert Sanders, Kosciusko County Council
Ron Truex, Kosciusko County Commissioner

OTHERS PRESENT: George Herendeen, MACOG Attorney
Kurt Garner, K W Garner Consulting
Rita Kopala, Lakeville
Laura Dolder, Intern for Oliver Davis
Hodge Patel, for Congressman Joe Donnelly
Sandra Seanor, MACOG
Rosemary Barbara, MACOG
Mary Beth McAdams, MACOG
Karen Hamm, MACOG
Jessica Mitchell, MACOG
Erin Turinetti, MACOG
Shirley Czerna, MACOG
Rexanna Smith, MACOG

April 14, 2010 MEETING

There were no additions to the April 14, 2010 minutes. There were two minor corrections.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ALLAN KAUFFMAN AND
SECONDED BY OLIVER DAVIS TO APPROVE THE
MINUTES OF APRIL 14, 2010. THE MOTION CARRIED.

REPORTS

CHAIRMAN: No report.

FINANCIAL:

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

A MOTION WAS MADE BY OLIVER DAVIS
AND SECONDED BY FRANK LUCESSE TO APPROVE THE
APRIL 2010 FINANCIAL REPORT. THE MOTION
CARRIED.

Rosemary Barbara also presented changes to the MACOG Procurement Policy. There were no questions. Rosemary then asked the Board for approval of the updated MACOG Procurement Manual.

IT WAS MOVED BY KEVIN OVERMYER TO APPROVE CHANGES
TO THE PROCUREMENT POLICY AS PRESENTED. THE MOTION
WAS SECONDED BY JEFF REA. MOTION CARRIED.

SECRETARY: No report.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no Old Business.

NEW BUSINESS

Recommendations from the 05/05/10 Transportation Technical Advisory Committee
Administrative Modifications, Amendments, Major Amendments to the FY2009-2014
Transportation Improvement Program

Emergency TIP Administration Modifications

A. South Bend/LaPorte District Administrative Modification Non-Exempt Project
in St Joseph County, IN
Resolution 32-10 Increase Federal Funding Phase: CN
Des #9381900 **Location: Miami from Kern to Jackson Rd**
Added Travel Lanes SFY: 2010
Total: \$4,800,000 Federal: \$1,891,030 (ARRA) Local: \$581,794 (CN)
\$2,327,176 (Grp II STP)

Locally Initiated -- Resolution 28-10 - ARRA

A. Elkhart County/Fort Wayne District Administrative Modification Exempt Project
in Elkhart County, IN

Resolution 28-10 Increase Federal Funding Phase: CN
Des #0710953 **Location: Indiana Avenue bridge Painting and Rehab
Painting and Rehab SFY: 2010**

Total: \$743,436 Federal: \$479,577 (ARRA) / \$211,087 (Grp II STP) Local:
\$52,772 (CN)

Sandra Seanor presented the Emergency TIP administrative modifications contained in
Resolution 32-10 and Resolution 28-10. 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 JEFF REA TO APPROVE
RESOLUTION 32-10 AND 28-10. THE MOTION CARRIED.

FORT WAYNE DISTRICT

Locally Initiated – Resolution 30-10

A. Elkhart County Parks Dept Administrative Modification Exempt Project in
Elkhart County, IN

Resolution 30-10 Clarify Termini Phase: PE/RW/CN
Des #0401066 **Location: Pumpkinvine - 500’ east of SR 13 to
Elkhart/LaGrange County Line
Bike/Pedestrian Facilities SFY: 2010**

Total: \$196,368 Federal: \$144,000 Local: \$ 52,368 (PE)
Total: \$461,063 Federal: \$ 60,000 Local: \$401,063 (RW)
Total: \$980,724 Federal: \$662,274 Local: \$318,450 (CN)

Elkhart County Parks Dept Administrative Modification Exempt Project in
Elkhart County, IN

Resolution 30-10 Adjust funding amounts (TE) Phase: PE/RW/CN
Des #0401066 **Location: Pumpkinvine - 500’ east of SR 13 to
Elkhart/LaGrange CL
Bike/Pedestrian Facilities SFY: 2010**

Total: \$200,595 Federal: \$160,476 Local: \$40,119 (PE) - Increase Federal by \$16,476
Total: \$ 18,940 Federal: \$ 15,152 Local: \$ 3,788 (RW) - Decrease Federal by 44,848
Total: \$632,500 Federal: \$632,500 Local: \$0 (CN) - Decrease Federal by \$29,774

B. Elkhart County Parks Dept Amendment Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN

Resolution 30-10 Add Project Phase: RW/CN
Des #1005591 **Location: Pumpkinvine - York Dr to 500’ E of SR 13
Bike/Pedestrian Facilities SFY: 2011**

Total: \$42,771 Federal: \$0 Local: \$42,771 (RW)
Total: \$150,000 Federal: \$58,146 Local: \$91,854 (CN)

C. Elkhart County Amendment Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN
 Resolution 31-10 Add Project Phase: PE/CN
 Des #1005366 **Location: East Beardsley Street at Elkhart and Western
 Railroad in Elkhart
 Railroad Protection SFY: 07/2011**
 Total: \$15,000 Federal: \$15,000 State: \$0 (PE)
 Total: \$250,000 Federal: \$250,000 State: \$0 (CN)

D. Elkhart County Amendment Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN
 Resolution 31-10 Add Project Phase: RW/CN
 Des #0800159 **Location: SR 120 from SR 13 to SR 5 in Elkhart & LaGrange
 Counties
 HMA Overlay, Functional SFY: 2011**
 Total: \$ 20,000 Federal: \$ 16,000 State: \$ 4,000 (RW)
 Total: \$2,500,000 Federal: \$2,000,000 State: \$500,000 (CN)

Jessica Mitchell presented the INDOT initiated Fort Wayne District TIP amendments contained in Resolution 31-10. 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 JEFF REA TO APPROVE
 RESOLUTION 31-10. THE MOTION CARRIED.

Transit Section 5310 Amendments

A. Initiated by Elkhart COA Amendment Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN
 Resolution 29-10 Add Project SFY: 2011
**Location: Elkhart-Goshen Urbanized Area
 One Low Floor Minivan**
 Total: \$50,000 Federal: \$40,000 Local: \$10,000

B. Initiated by ADEC Amendment Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN
 Resolution 29-10 Add Project SFY: 2011
**Location: Elkhart-Goshen Urbanized Area
 Three Low Floor Minivans and one Large Transit Vehicle**
 Total: \$215,000 Federal: \$172,000 Local: \$43,000

C. Initiated by Mennonite Disabilities Committee
Amendment Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN
 Resolution 29-10 Add Project SFY: 2011
**Location: Elkhart-Goshen Urbanized Area
 One Type B Van**
 Total: \$59,375 Federal: \$47,500 Local: \$11,875

Mary Beth McAdams presented the transit initiated amendments contained in Resolution 29-10. The Policy Board had no questions on this resolution and the following action was taken.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY FRANK LUCHESSE AND
SECONDED BY JEFF REA TO APPROVE
RESOLUTION 29-10. THE MOTION CARRIED.

A. Elkhart/Goshen Initiated Amendment Exempt Project in Elkhart County, IN
Resolution 33-10 Add Project SFY: 2011

Location: Elkhart-Goshen Urbanized Area
Flex CMAQ to Operating Assistance (2 Years)

Total: \$460,000 Federal: \$460,000 (100% Funding)

Karen Hamm presented the transit initiated amendment contained in Resolution 33-10.
The Policy Board had no questions on this resolution and the following action was taken.

ALLAN KAUFFMAN MOVED TO APPROVE THE CHANGES MADE
IN RESOLUTION 33-10. DICK MOORE SECONDED THE MOTION;
MOTION CARRIED.

OTHER ACTIONS

Kurt Garner from K W Garner Consulting presented the Board with information regarding the Lincoln Highway Byway Designation and asked the Board to agree to endorse the designation. There were several questions from Board members, and concerns were expressed. Some members voiced concerns that the process for appointing members to the Byway Advisory Council was not known. They wanted to be sure there was representation for each area. Mr. Garner shared that two members from each county would be appointed, with one of those members coming from historic organizations or visitors bureau organizations. Sandra still had questions, and expressed her opinion that elected officials should have representation on the Byway Advisory Council and input for the Corridor Management Plan. Sandi pointed out that although the TTAC voted to endorse the project, two members of the Transportation Technical Advisory Committee felt they didn't have enough information to vote, so they abstained. Mayor Kauffman asked that mayors, or their designees be appointed. Mayor Rea expressed his opinion that the MPO's affected should have a representative assigned to the byway council. A Board member suggested the Board agree to endorse, but conditionally, dependent on answers the Board receives regarding the appointments of representatives to the Byway council. MACOG Attorney George Herenden advised he would not recommend the Board agree to a conditional endorsement, but they should wait until they have clarification of the appointment process.

A MOTION WAS THEN MADE BY KEVIN OVERMYER
AND SECONDED BY JOHN LETHERMAN TO HAVE
SANDRA WRITE A LETTER TO MICHAEL REED, ASKING
FOR CLARIFICATION OF THE ITEMS OF CONCERN
TO THE BOARD. THE MOTION CARRIED BY A
UNANIMOUS VOTE.

MREDD Membership Appointments

Sandra Seanor updated the Board with information regarding the Michiana Area Council of Governments Regional Economic Development District Board. County Commissioners from each county are able to submit names for two positions to the Board. One representative should be a Chamber of Commerce Executive Director and the other a private sector appointment. Marshall County has named Bill Davis as its Chamber of Commerce Executive Director position, and Joe Martin, Jr. as its private sector appointee. There were no questions.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MARK SENTER
AND SECONDED BY JUDY STONE TO APPROVE THE
MARSHALL COUNTY APPOINTMENTS. MOTION
CARRIED.

Staff Update

Sandi reminded the Board that call for projects for CMAQ are due 5/24. TE Call for Projects are due to MACOG by 6/24. Although INDOT has not officially put a call out, this will give MACOG staff time to look over the information to make sure it is complete and correct. This gives the requests the best chance of obtaining funds.

Presentation – Intelligent Transportation Systems – Jessica Mitchell - MACOG

Jessica provided an overview of the Intelligent Transportation System. The Strategic Plan architecture will be brought back for formal Policy Board approval in June.

VII. Privilege of the Floor

- A. John Letherman asked about the Economic Development Group, and what the purpose of the group is. Sandra provided information regarding the purpose of the group, and some history behind it.
- B. Rita Kopala expressed to the Board how beautiful she thought the new conference room is.
- C. Oliver Davis thanked Sandra for attending the Common Council meeting on Monday afternoon.
- D. Sandra told the Board that the Small Business Administration had contacted her to ask if we would help them organize a meeting, to be held every other month, in our conference room for 20-30 people. She told the Board the SBA would make presentations that would be open to the general public, regarding public loans, opportunities, commercial development, etc. Meetings will probably not begin before July or August of this year.

VIII. Public Comment

There were no comments from the public.

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.

Sandra Seanor, Executive Director

Ernest Wiggins, Chairman

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