

**CARROLL COUNTY TECHNICAL TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES**

**November 12, 2019
2:00 PM**

CARROLL COUNTY COURTHOUSE-COMMISSIONERS MEETING ROOM

MEMBERS PRESENT

Aaron Lyons	Delphi Street Commissioner
Jackie Hockaday	INDOT District LPA Coordinator
Sallie Fahey	MPO Executive Director
Ron Fritz	Flora Street Commissioner

MEMBERS ABSENT

Jerry Snavely, Jr.	Camden Street Commissioner
Steve Mullin	Delphi Police Department
Paul Redmon	Flora Police Department
Kamron Yates	Area Plan Commission of Carroll County
Paul Coutts	Carroll County Highway Engineer
Tobe Leazenby	Carroll County Sheriff
Debbie Lowe	Flora Airport

ALSO PRESENT

Tim Stroshine	Area Plan Commission of Tippecanoe County
Aria Staiger	Area Plan Commission of Tippecanoe County
Teresa Maxwell	Citizen
Miriam Robeson	Carroll County Ag Association

In the absence of Chair Paul Coutts and due to a lack of quorum, Sallie Fahey called the unofficial meeting to order at 2:00pm.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM AUGUST 13, 2019

No corrections needed. The minutes were not approved due to the lack of a quorum.

**II. TRAFFIC COUNTS
Confined Agricultural Feeding Operations**

Aria Staiger introduced herself as the Transportation Planner for the Area Plan Commission of Tippecanoe County. She presented maps of the confined agricultural feed operations (CAFOs) in Carroll County as of 2011 and the most current map of the traffic counts in Carroll County. The first map compares the locations of CAFOs in 2011 to the most current count in 2018. The sites indicated on the map in red are CAFOs that were present in 2011 but are no longer operating. The sites indicated in green on the map are CAFOs that have continued operation since 2011 and the sites in orange indicate CAFOs that were created after 2011. Staff plans to set up traffic counting stations around the CAFOs to collect truck traffic data as shown on the second map. The count stations are indicated on the map by an X. Staff is working with Paul Coutts to discuss if these locations will be appropriate for this count cycle.

Ron Fritz asked if counts are taken on state roads.

Aria Staiger said we do not take those counts as INDOT takes care of those.

Tim Stroshine said that data is available to us however, per contract, we do not conduct those counts.

Ron Fritz said he had noticed issues with the infrastructure of the roads as a result of the large trucks making multiple trips. He has had to repair the same water main twice.

Sallie Fahey said it might be helpful to have these counts taken in Flora this year as originally planned.

Aria Staiger said this would be especially helpful near the site of the water main repairs.

Ron Fritz said it is not uncommon to see a truck parked right at SR 18 and 75; there are constantly large trucks in this area.

Sallie Fahey said when she met with Paul Coutts, he said Hog Slat has 23,000 loads a year that are 24 tons each.

Aria Staiger said staff is hoping this data will allow towns and cities make decisions on where and how to repair roads.

Sallie Fahey said the plan is to work with Paul in the interim and at the February meeting, have a count location map ready to discuss.

Tim Stroshine said if there is any interest to be involved, let staff know so communication can be extended.

III. QUARTERLY TRACKING/PROJECT DISCUSSION

Tim Stroshine said he does not have any directive on the quarterly tracking specifically; he asked the Committee what their opinion is on this agenda item. It is a recurring item that has been done informally. He asked if this is something the Committee is still interested in and if so, what format they wanted to see it in.

Aaron Lyons said he thinks the quarterly tracking is helpful.

Tim Stroshine said for Tippecanoe County, this agenda item covers the financial aspect of projects to ensure that they are progressing. If there is a target date for a project, this portion allows discussion to update issues or milestones within the project.

Jackie Hockaday sent the state projects through 2024 to Paul Coutts but did not include the other members in the email. She asked if she could send the list to Sallie for her to distribute the information.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS INDOT 18-Month Letting List

Tim Stroshine said the projects on the 2020 letting list have not changed. There are four projects that have changed to a letting date in February 2021. Each of these projects are on US 421 and are bundled in the same contract. He asked if Jackie had any additional details on these projects.

Jackie Hockaday said Tim Hoffa, who recently left INDOT, has been replaced by another person who may have this project. She will follow up with more information on these projects.

Tim Stroshine said the last project on the list is a new project on SR 218 with a March 2021 letting date and is another bridge repair.

Sallie Fahey asked if this is the arch bridge reconstruction.

Jackie Hockaday said this is an arch repair. There are two of these projects; one on SR 18 and another on SR 218.

Sallie Fahey asked if these two projects were on the same contract.

Jackie Hockaday said they are on the same contract. As an update on SR 75, there will not be a replacement rather the bridge will be rehabilitated. The letting date will most likely be moved because section 106 is still being worked on.

Hoosier Heartland/ 800W Intersection

Tim Stroshine said this has been a reoccurring agenda item. This intersection has been an issue for both Committees with a lot of public discussion. The intersection appeared to be in functioning order when he drove by this afternoon. He asked if members are still receiving public comments regarding this intersection.

Ron Fritz said the public comments have eased up. Many people had expressed their opinions when the project started, but nothing has been said in a while.

Jackie Hockaday said the signs were wrong in the beginning but INDOT fixed them. Once the signs were fixed, everything has gone smoothly. It seems to function well.

Ron Fritz said people just needed time to get used to the intersection.

Tim Stroshine said if all is well, this agenda item can be taken off for future meetings.

Land Use Survey

Sallie Fahey said staff will need to contact Kamron Yates to see what kind of land use survey exists for Carroll County, Delphi, and Flora. If work is going to begin on a real transportation plan for Carroll County, the land use component will determine future need.

Other Discussion

None.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

Miriam Robeson said the information and locations of the CAFOs is out of date. The locations of the count stations will not capture accurate truck traffic in some of the areas. She asked if staff had anyway to verify or update the information they have. There are some CAFOs on the map that do not exist anymore and there are new ones that are not on the map. There are some roads marked for a count station that trucks do not travel on and some roads that are not marked with counters where trucks do travel frequently.

Sallie Fahey said the counters marked on the map are the same locations as counts taken three years ago. Had this special project not been proposed, the same sites would be used for traffic counts because they were used previously. We are trying to match what would typically be done in the spring with this project to see what should be changed. She said she was concerned with the out of date information on the CAFOs locations. She asked Aria where the information on the location of the CAFOs came from.

Aria Staiger said the information came from the Office of Land Quality. She requested more up to date information, but no one was able to get that to her.

Miriam Robeson said she has the same information from the Office of Land Quality. The information is supposed to tell where the barns are located, but it does not. Some of these locations may have to be verified by driving by or talking to someone that knows where they are located.

Sallie Fahey asked if they are likely registering the address of the owner as opposed to the location of the facility.

Miriam Robeson said it is supposed to be registered by the location of the facility. The permit has the location of the owner and the location of the facility. Sometimes a permit covers more than one location. The permits are good for five years; there can be barns that have rolled off but still have permits.

Sallie Fahey said staff will have to do more digging into the information regarding the locations of the CAFOs. She asked if staff would have access to the permits to see how many facilities are included with each permit.

Miriam Robeson said the permit information discloses the capacity of the animals and the completion, but it will not always tell you if there is more than one facility.

Sallie Fahey said it would be difficult to inventory every road in Carroll County to determine the location of the CAFOs.

Miriam Robeson said she understands staff is not looking for 100% clear data. Knowing where the larger facilities are located would be more beneficial for the study.

Sallie Fahey asked if Miriam had any suggestions for how to obtain this data.

Miriam Robeson said she is with the Carroll County Ag Association and she is happy to work with staff to get them the information they need.

Sallie Fahey thanked Miriam for her help.

Aria Staiger said she put the meeting dates for the year in the packet. She asked if these dates are accurate for the Committee.

Sallie Fahey said since we have moved to Tuesday, these dates should work.

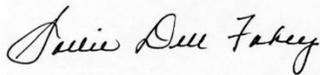
The meeting concluded at 2:25pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Chyna Lynch

Recording Secretary

Reviewed by,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sallie Dell Fahey". The signature is written in black ink on a light-colored background.

Sallie Dell Fahey
Secretary