

**GREATER LAFAYETTE AREA TRANSPORTATION & DEVELOPMENT STUDY
TECHNICAL TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

**MEETING MINUTES
August 15, 2018**

Jon Fricker	JTRP
Sallie Fahey	Area Plan Commission
Jeromy Grenard	Lafayette City Engineer
Kevin Jasinski	INDOT – Crawfordsville Division
Stu Kline	Tippecanoe County Highway Engineer
Ed Garrison	West Lafayette City Engineer
Jim Knapp (proxy for Adam Baxmeyer)	Purdue University Airport
Capt. Terry Ruley	Tippecanoe County Sheriff's Department
Marcus Slifer (proxy for Troy Harris)	West Lafayette Police Department

NON-VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT

Cat Schoenherr	APC
Doug Poad	APC
Tim Stroshine	APC
Aria Staiger	APC
Bob Foley	Lafayette Engineer's Office
Mark Harlow	Town of Dayton

ALSO PRESENT

Melissa Patton	INDOT
Brett Crutchfield	INDOT
Colin Sullivan	BF&S

Chair Jon Fricker called the meeting to order at 2:00p.m.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ed Garrison moved to approve the minutes of the July 18, 2018 meeting as submitted. Jim Knapp seconded and the minutes were approved by unanimous voice vote.

II. ACCESS PERMITS

None

III. FY 2018-2021 ADMINISTRATIVE TIP MODIFICATIONS

Sallie Fahey said on August 3 she modified the *TIP* to update Des #s and separated out the costs between phases for the Tippecanoe County Bridge Inspections and Inventory Program in FY 2019-2020.

She made another administrative modification to move the \$159,800 FY 2019 STBG funds from the construction phase of the Concord Road at CR 430 project into the very underfunded River Road at River Bend Hospital project. She explained that the River Road project will solve a flooding problem in front of the hospital and is a project the county took over from the state when SR 43 was relinquished and became North River Road. When the county took over the project, the state gave the county \$500,000, but the cost is now over \$1,000,000.

Stu Kline said the projected bloated at Phase 3.

Ed Garrison asked if \$1,000,000 is the local cost or the match for the project.

Stu Kline replied that the total cost of the project is just over \$1,000,000. The county will still have to come up with over \$400,000 to make the project whole.

IV. QUARTERLY REPORTS

Cat Schoenherr distributed a new handout with INDOT's comments regarding certain projects.

Tippecanoe County Klondike Road

Cat Schoenherr said nothing has changed since the last update except here have been discussions about where to locate the CityBus stops.

Stu Kline said this report is the first one since the construction letting and work was supposed to start July 1st but there is a utility delay and work is now scheduled to start September 4th.

Cat Schoenherr said INDOT reported the railroad PE for this project is closed and Federal funds that were lost will be returned.

Stu Kline said he wasn't aware of losing any funding, but he will check on that.

Lindberg Road

Cat Schoenherr said the date was changed for the Stage 3 design to October 2017, but she thinks that might be an error and should still be June 2020.

Stu Kline agreed.

Cat Schoenherr said Ellen Hite at INDOT is requesting a contract supplement for term and schedule.

Stu Kline said an amendment to our LPA INDOT Contract will be sent to change the date. That process usually takes about three or four months.

North River Road at River Bend Hospital

Cat Schoenherr said it was noted earlier that the construction costs increased.

Stu Kline again said the project cost had been \$500,000 throughout until we got to Phase 3. As stated earlier, additional funds will be transferred from the Concord Road project overage.

Concord Road at CR 430 South Intersection

Cat Schoenherr said Rule 5 was supposed to be submitted in July. INDOT is requesting a contract signed by RFC date.

Stu Kline said he will check on that on the Rule 5 submission. He thinks it was submitted but not approved. He said there is an RFP out for inspection currently, because there was extra construction money he could use to fund the inspection.

River Road at CR 500 North

Cat Schoenherr said the design for supplemental was approved but the cost is not to exceed \$50,000. She said INDOT is requesting a contract supplement for term and schedule be sent to Ellen Hite.

Kevin Jasinski asked if there are still eight parcels of ROW to acquire.

Stu Kline replied that there are still eight parcels. He added that they are still in appraisal but he does not know if any offers are out yet. He reminded the Committee that this is the project was pushed back because it had a revised environmental. The property owners could not be approached until the revised environmental was clear.

Morehouse Road Reconstruction

Cat Schoenherr said this project is on hold.

Stu Kline said it is now scheduled for FY 2022.

Yeager Road Reconstruction

Cat Schoenherr said this project is also on hold. INDOT needs a new INDOT contract term and schedule.

Stu Kline said he just got one of those for Lindberg.

McCutcheon Pedestrian Safety

Cat Schoenherr said a kick-off meeting was held for this project and the design was revised to ensure no overlap. INDOT granted approval to fund the sidewalk extension with HSIP funds.

Stu Kline said they just issued an RFP for right-of-way services because they found out after the survey that right-of-way is needed to do the sidewalk.

Cat Schoenherr said INDOT is requesting a new contract term and schedule.

Lafayette

Twyckenham Boulevard Reconstruction

Cat Schoenherr said the FMIS was requested.

Twyckenham Trail

Cat Schoenherr said this project was let in February and awarded to Reith Riley. She asked about the completion date.

Jeromy Grenard expects the project to be completed mid-October. The lights and the luminaries need to be put up.

Bicycle/Pedestrian Safety Awareness

Cat Schoenherr said the committee met last week to discuss roles/responsibilities for action. The committee will update the Tech Committee at the September meeting. INDOT cautioned that the PO expires December 31st.

Sallie Fahey asked if we know how much money is left in that project.

Cat Schoenherr said this is year 2 so we have \$30,000 in the *TIP* for this project.

Doug Poad did not recall how much was spent. He knows a FMIS request was submitted with a December 2019 end date, so he is not sure why the PO expiration date is a whole year earlier than we planned.

Cat Schoenherr said she will follow up with Susie Kemp.

Park East Boulevard Extension

Cat Schoenherr asked if the schedule is still accurate.

Jeromy Grenard said the timing for the project is correct. He just received all the scores from the selection committee and they are being submitted to INDOT.

West Lafayette

Happy Hollow Road

Cat Schoenherr said she could not find the project in SPMS.

Ed Garrison said the project should be finished up. He thinks the POs got closed in the last quarter

Kingston Drive Trail Connection

Cat Schoenherr said final acceptance was received on September 29th.

Ed Garrison thinks the POs for this project were closed last quarter.

Happy Hollow Neighborhood Trail

Cat Schoenherr said an updated schedule is needed for this project.

Ed Garrison is not sure why this project was not updated. He can change the schedule now or show it on the next quarterly.

Cat Schoenherr said this quarterly is the same as the last one and the project is still not updated. She wants to make sure we get the update soon because the project is scheduled to be let in January.

Ed Garrison said he will update the schedule by Friday.

Cat Schoenherr said INDOT is also requesting a new schedule as well as a CE contract by the RFC date. INDOT also asked that the letting date be changed to January 16th.

Cherry Lane Extension (Road)

Cat Schoenherr said we need an updated schedule for this project. INDOT wants to know how this project will proceed and if there have been any discussions with Purdue about this project. INDOT also needs the CE contract for review and final by RFC of November 17th.

Ed Garrison reminded the Committee that this project was short on funds to begin with and then they had to give \$1,200,000 to the County for Lindberg. He met with INDOT about a month ago and discussed possible options. The first option is to break the project down into two phases, complete all the design through the original design, and then break the project down so the construction for Phase 2 is done at a later date. Another option is to totally fund the project with local funds while still going through the Federal Aid process. There is another option where the original scope is rewritten to just have the project done as Phase 3 but doing that might mean having to pay back a portion of the design for Phase 2 because it has been reimbursed. Maybe at that point we can find the money to do the Phase 2 construction. Purdue has a Master Plan to have the Cherry Lane Extension as one of the campus gateway entrances so there is a certain look and feel the university wants.

Sallie Fahey asked if we have any time constraints on getting the money used since at one time the project was to use high priority funds.

Doug Poad said there is a deadline but it is at the end of FY 2020.

Soldiers Home Road, Phase 1

Cat Schoenherr said we want to make sure we have this project right in the *TIP* because the PE and ROW funds might be switched.

Ed Garrison said things can stay the same right now.

Cat Schoenherr said INDOT will need a new contract term and schedule and wants to know when the funding will be available.

Ed Garrison said this project is in the queue right now like so many other things.

Sagamore Parkway Trail

Cat Schoenherr said there is a discrepancy between what we are showing in the *TIP* as awarded versus what was reported as Federal funds being allocated. Federal funds are shown as \$1,295,963 but the *TIP* only allocates \$1,155,963.

Ed Garrison said Marcus Smith plans to get with Doug Poad to try to figure this out.

Doug Poad said he and Marcus Smith determined that the *TIP* figure is correct.

Sallie Fahey said to make sure the next quarterly report reflects that.

Cat Schoenherr asked if the project is still on target to be let in July 2019.

Ed Garrison said the July date is a “placeholder” letting because it the first letting month of FY 2019. A little closer to that date he will know how funding is coming and will give an accurate letting date.

Sallie Fahey does not think we have any funds in 2020 for this project.

Doug Poad said we have STBG funds for construction for this project in 2019 and it uses almost all the remaining PYB funds as well as TA funds.

Ed Garrison said he also has a “placeholder” with the West Lafayette Redevelopment Commission for matching funds for this project.

Battle Ground**North Street Reconstruction**

Cat Schoenherr said the PO for this project is closed.

County Bridge Inspections

Cat Schoenherr said the first bridge inspection contract is complete and the county is ready to get going on the next one.

Stu Kline said he is waiting for the Notice to Proceed for the second project.

V. APC PROGRESS
Monthly Funding

Doug Poad referred to the funding status report that was distributed in the packet and said there is really nothing to report because this is the beginning of the Federal fiscal year. We did a FMIS request for the Twyckenham Boulevard project right-of-way. He said he looked at our funding allocation after the May 30th sharing agreement update and we have almost an \$82,000 balance in STBG funds that need to be allocated. We have allocated almost \$5,000 in TA funds. The \$188,455 in HSIP funds could be used for

the sidewalk at McCutcheon. The additional allocation is from penalty funds. We thought we were out from under that, but it turns out we are not, so we get a bigger share of safety funds.

Sallie Fahey reminded the Committee that we have to pay back NIRPC the \$1,200,000 we borrowed for the Klondike project.

TIP Schedule

Doug Poad said the FY 2020 -2025 *TIP* Development Schedule timeline was included in the packet and is based on INDOT's schedule. Usually we start this process in late November but this year we will be starting in October because INDOT would like to have our draft *TIP* to review by February 17th. Our adopted *TIP* is scheduled to be sent to INDOT on May 10th.

Sallie Fahey said this should not be too difficult because there are a lot of projects in the pipeline.

Stu Kline said we have moved things out to the FY 2022 but the present *TIP* stops at FY 2021.

Ed Garrison agrees that the first couple of years are already done. We also talked about projects that will be \$5,000,000 to \$6,000,000 each and that is our entire allocation.

Sallie Fahey mentioned that INDOT told all the MPO Directors that asphalt is routinely going up 30%. She cautioned the engineers to make sure their project estimates are realistic, so we aren't scrambling for money at the end. She went on to say the Indianapolis MPO Director stated that all their projects that have been let recently have averaged 18% higher than the estimate.

Ed Garrison said he has not seen that here yet because he received estimates last Friday that had reasonable asphalt prices consistent with the costs over the last few years.

Kevin Jasinski said INDOT has been struggling with asphalt prices over the last couple of lettings. INDOT typically has this type of challenge this time of year but we are looking very closely at the increases.

Ed Garrison asked if it is a supply and demand thing at this point. He pointed out that everyone is flush with projects.

Kevin Jasinski thinks that is the case and the fact that there is an abundance of need.

Ed Garrison said our area is blessed with a couple good asphalt companies right here in the area. It makes sense for those companies to get the local projects.

MPO Update

Sallie Fahey said she learned what LPAs were told at the Crawfordsville Community Crossing training was correct and that what was told to the MPO Directors at their monthly meeting was not correct. If an LPA does not apply in the first round of the fiscal year for the full \$1,000,000 they can go back and try to capture the balance of the \$1,000,000 in the second round if they have projects ready.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

INDOT 18-Month Letting List

Doug Poad said the SR 28 project (#1) was let on July 11th and awarded to Reith Riley for under the engineer's estimate. The letting results and other project information are on the second page of the report. US 52 (#2), SR 38 (#3), and SR 28 (#4) pavement patch and rehab projects were let on August 8th letting. The US 52 project was added to keep the pavement in shape until the Teal Road project is let in July. He checked INDOT's website but the letting results have not been posted for these projects.

Kevin Jasinski said there was a challenge last week with updating the letting list, and two of the projects were moved to Friday the 10th. He thinks everything went fine on Friday.

Brett Crutchfield confirmed that all three projects were let.

Doug Poad said the US 231 bridges over the Wabash River scour protection projects (#5 & 6) are scheduled to be let in September, but he could not find the plans.

Sallie Fahey asked Kevin Jasinski asked if there will be any lane restrictions for those projects because she knows most of the work is underneath.

Kevin Jasinski does not think there will be any lane restrictions, but he will make sure Doug Poad gets a set of the plans even though they are not posted.

Doug Poad said that two of the new projects on the list are the I-65, northbound and southbound bridges over Laramie Creek widening and replacement projects (#14 & 15). This widening project means we are moving forward on widening the interstate. He went on to say the Teal Road projects (#18, 19, & 20) are still on a January 2019 letting. Another new project is the I-65 northbound and southbound bridges over Burnett Creek, 9th Street, CSX Railroad thin bridge deck overlay project (#25 & 26) and the final new project on the list is the I-65 from north of SR 43 to US 231 overlay & preventive maintenance project (#27). All three of these projects are scheduled for a May 2019 letting.

Stu Kline thinks the two Burnett's Creek bridge projects (#25 & 26) are deck widening projects because he thinks a lane is being added.

Kevin Jasinski is not sure if those are widening projects but if they are, he is not sure they will stay that way. He then asked if there are any lane restrictions on the US 231 scour project.

Melissa Patton thinks there might be temporary lane restrictions on that project. She does not think there will be any major closures.

INDOT Updates

Teal Road & US 52

Kevin Jasinski said Brett Crutchfield, project manager, wants to know if this Committee has any specific questions on this project.

Brett Crutchfield said next month he will be making presentations to the Tech Committee and Policy Board to go through the plans for the entire corridor at their meetings next month and hopefully answer questions on specific items. INDOT is currently working hard on right-of-way and there are still eight parcels out there and negotiations are ongoing. He hopes to bring graphics/visuals to the meeting next month.

Doug Poad said the South 4th Street intersection near the drain grate has been sinking. A portion of the road has been filled at least once.

Brett Crutchfield said he may be able to address some of that in the upcoming patch and rehab projects that is scheduled to start in September.

US 52 Paving

Cat Schoenherr said Shane Spears will try to get additional information together on this project for the Policy Board's September meeting because people are wondering about the delay and the end date being pushed back. She knows some information came out about the quality of the asphalt and she wondered if that was the hold up on the project. Shane Spears explained to the Policy Board that extra

milling needed to be done on the concrete part, which contributed to the push back of the completion date, but the project is moving along. Staff was looking for an update on the project and an explanation for the delay.

Kevin Jasinski said Shane Spears told him there was a concern about the asphalt but he does not have a definitive answer on what is going on at this time. He knows the issue is with the materials provided and has nothing to do with the new testing procedures.

VII. CITIZEN COMMENTS

None

Jon Fricker said that the next Technical Transportation Committee meeting will be September 19, 2018.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Stu Kline moved to adjourn the meeting. seconded. Ed Garrison

The meeting adjourned at 2:50p.m.



Sallie Dell Fahey
Secretary