

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

**MEETING MINUTES  
MAY 18, 2022**

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**VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT**

Adam Keyster (proxy for Adam Baxmeyer)	Purdue University
Josh Lee (proxy for Jeffrey Kuhn)	Interim City of West Lafayette Project Engineer
Jeromy Grenard	City of Lafayette
Randy Anderson	CityBus
Scott Anderson	Lafayette Police Department
Stewart (Stu) Kline	Tippecanoe County Highway Engineer
Jason Philhower	West Lafayette Police Department
Scott J. Chandler	INDOT

**VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT**

Adam Baxmeyer	Purdue University
Jeffrey Kuhn	Interim City of West Lafayette Project Engineer

**NON-VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT**

Aria Staiger	Area Plan Commission
Doug Poad	Area Plan Commission
Tim Stroshine	Area Plan Commission
David Hittle	Area Plan Commission
Mike Spencer	Tippecanoe County Highway

Tim Stroshine called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM. He noted he is still trying to find someone to replace Jon Fricker since he has retired.

Jeromy Grenard moved to appoint Josh Lee as proxy for Jeffrey Kuhn. Stu Kline seconded, and the motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

**I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Tim Stroshine asked if any corrections needed to be made to the April 20, 2022 meeting minutes. There were none.

Stu Kline moved to approve the minutes from the April 20, 2022 meeting. Scott Chandler seconded, and the minutes, as submitted, were approved by unanimous voice vote.

**II. ACCESS PERMITS**

Scott Chandler said there has not been a lot of change from the previous meeting.

Klondike Middle School Permit - They are in the submission process. They have done their review, and they have given it back. The review process of the plans is going back and forth but moving ahead. There are no complications or issues that he is aware of.

Love's Truck Stop – The only outstanding request is proof of ownership of the property. The developer is working on getting the paperwork to show that, and once that is turned in, the permit is ready to move forward for approval.

Newman Road Roundabout – The work is completed. The inspection is in progress. He is not aware of any complications.

Speedway – There is no change, and no work has begun.

Anvil 38 – There is no change.

Yeager Road Project – They are working on utility coordination.

Dominos – Has been approved.

Jeromy Grenard said regarding Anvil 38, they are working on building two, and the construction is ongoing.

### **III. AMEND THE FY 2022-2026 TIP**

Doug Poad said we have a TIP Amendment that was requested by the INDOT Crawfordsville District Office. The Amendment includes making changes to 10 projects that are already in the TIP. For six of the projects, the phases are changing years from 2022 to 2023, 2024, or 2026. Those projects are located on US 52 and I-65. Since the fiscal years are changing, some of the funding information or amounts are changing as well. Two projects, one on US 52 and one on I-65, a utility phase will be added. On SR 225, the bridge over the Wabash River Project, the scope is bridge rehabilitation or repair, and that is being changed to truss reconstruction or repair, and a right-of-way phase is being added. The right-of-way phase is for FY 2023. The last change is to an I-65 Project. In the tip, it is shown on CR 100 W the bridge over the interstate, and the location is going to be changed to the CR 500 W bridge over the interstate. Staff is recommending approval to the Policy Board.

Stu Kline moved to recommend approval of the TIP Amendment to the Policy Board. Jeromy Grenard seconded, and the motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

### **IV. APC PROGRESS REPORT MPO UPDATE**

#### **2050 MTP UPDATE**

Tim Stroshine said we are getting close to the adoption of this plan; we are due for adoption in June. He said normally what we would like to do is for this Board to make a recommendation of approval to the Policy Board; however, since we haven't heard back from all of our planning partners and we are still in the public comment phase, the more appropriate thing to do is to recommend approval pending those comments, so if those comments indicate any changes might need to be made to the plan before it gets adopted, then this body can recommend that. The plan is posted online, and we set-up an online comment form for people to make comments. We also will have a presentation about some of the items that are in this plan as well as soliciting further public comment at that meeting.

Jeromy Grenard moved to recommend approval to the Policy Board once the comments are sorted through. Stu Kline seconded, and the motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

## **GREATER LAFAYETTE NORTHERN CONNECTIVITY STUDY**

Tim Stroshine said this has been going on for a while, and we have been working with INDOT on this study. We have recently received their existing condition report, and we are in the process of reviewing that. As an office, we have looked it over, and we do have some comments. We are currently trying to set-up a meeting with INDOT and the consultant to go over those comments that we have. Then once the existing conditions report gets a little more finalized, we will be looking to set-up some work within that.

### **FEDERAL FUNDING OBLIGATION**

Doug Poad said all of our FY 2022 federal funds have been obligated. A couple of weeks ago we received the final FY 2022 federal funding sharing agreement from central office, and the good news is we received additional funds. Since we have additional funds, those funds don't have to be obligated by the end of the state fiscal year; we are allowed to obligate those up to September 30<sup>th</sup>. The amount we received was

\$316,999. His suggestion would be to repay Stu first for letting us borrow federal funds for the project from the Morehouse Road Right-of-Way Phase. We received the obligation targets from INDOT Central Office. The obligation targets are for Fiscal Years 2023, 2024, 2025, and 2026. The good news is over the four years our funding targets increase substantially. There is a new funding category called Carbon Reduction which they are trying to figure out what to do with those funds. At the June meeting, we will work on deciding how we want to address the funds for Fiscal Year 2023 only.

### **INDOT 18-MONTH LETTING LIST**

Doug Poad said the Sagamore Parkway Trail was awarded to HIS Constructors for \$4,978,000. He stated eight projects have changed. Project 2 and Project 3 were initially scheduled on a July bidding, and they are now moved back several months. Project 8 is still targeted for an October bid letting. Project 11 on SR 43 moved from a July bid letting to a December bid letting. Project 12 and Project 13 dropped two months. Project 16 moved from a November 2022 bid letting to an April 2023 bid letting. Project 17 and Project 18, we generally don't see this big of a change, but they went from a June 2022 bid letting to a July 2025 bid letting.

Scott Chandler said Projects 17 and 18 were originally funded on what they were calling a special bench type of funding program, and then with escalating costs that special bench just went away, so those projects that were allocated for that what we thought was extra money; the money is not there. They are moved out so many years to where we thought we could afford the work.

Jason Philhower asked when construction would be starting on the Trail.

Josh Lee said he believes it is scheduled to start at the beginning of June. He said there is one water relocation that they are working with Indiana American Water, and that may delay it a little bit, but that is unsure at this point.

## **V. QUARTERLY REPORTS**

Tim Stroshine said it is time for the quarterly project review.

Klondike Road Project, Tippecanoe County, Tim asked if the purchase orders have been closed out for this.

Stu Kline responded it will be by next quarter

Lindberg Road Project, Tippecanoe County, Tim asked if Lindberg Road was able to close out.

Stu Kline responded no. They just took it off the list, and then they re-assigned it to me.

North Ninth Street Road Bridge, Tippecanoe County, Tim Stroshine said we received some comments from Stu about getting a revised schedule in order to kind of change around this project to rehabilitation project, so are we anticipating having that new schedule by the next report, or do you think it will still be in the process.

Stu Kline responded we should have it by the next quarterly report.

River Road at CR 500 N, Tippecanoe County, Tim said we noted on this one there was a significant increase in the utility cost which is what caused the increase in the project cost. He asked if Stu had any updates to add.

Stu Kline responded he doesn't have anything to add. It is moving along, and they are on schedule.

Morehouse Road Project (Phase 1), Tippecanoe County, Tim noted there were some small changes in dollar amounts and that is all he has on this project. He asked Stu if he had anything to add.

Stu Kline said they are moving along, and they are on schedule.

Yeager Road Reconstruction, Tippecanoe County, Tim said the right-of-way is close to completion; it is listed as 90% complete, but it is supposed to be complete by this month, so will it be complete by this month.

Stu Kline responded the notice has gone to INDOT, and they are waiting on the court appointed appraisers.

McCutcheon Pedestrian Safety Project, Tippecanoe County, Tim said that they are wondering about the cost estimates for this project; are we anticipating seeing any increases.

Stu Kline responded they don't think they will see those escalations.

Bridge #64 and #65, Tippecanoe County, Tim noted there was a bit of a change in the report on some of the dates.

Stu Kline responded there was some discussion about the dollar values going into the TIP because of the escalated construction costs. His understanding is there is money available; they are waiting for stage three to re-allocate funds.

Bridge #527, Tippecanoe County, Tim noted we are approaching the Stage two Design and Environmental Report Milestones, but it still is showing 0% complete in the report. Are you anticipating still meeting the milestones.

Stu Kline responded they had the review, and they are incorporating the review into the Stage two.

Bridge #80 and #83, Tippecanoe County, Tim said this is the first report on this project. There is not a lot of information. It is still far out.

Stu Kline said they are finalizing the selection process. Kathy wants all contracts in place by September. He said they will be submitting their final selection this week.

County Bridge Inspections, Tippecanoe County, Tim said there isn't any new information on this. The report he received was blank.

Twyckenham Project, City of Lafayette, Tim said we were anticipating this to be closed out, and we did not receive a report. He asked if this was in fact closed out.

Jeromy Grenard responded yes. This project has been closed out.

Park East Boulevard, City of Lafayette, Tim said this project is getting close. They have submitted Form 639, and they are working on finalizing documentation and closing out the POs. He asked Jeromy if he had anything to add.

Jeromy Grenard said he has nothing to add.

Concord Road Trail Lighting, City of Lafayette, Tim said that all the appeals have been closed out, and we already received the final quarterly report, so no report on this this time.

Jeromy Grenard responded correct, this has been closed out.

South 9<sup>th</sup> Street, City of Lafayette, Tim said Jeromy gave us a lot of comments on this. There are anticipated changes in the schedule. Since things are in such a state of flux, we are going to have to wait for future reports to get some of the scheduling changes nailed down.

Jeromy Grenard added the right-of-way is currently scheduled for fiscal year 2023, and that is not going to happen.

Soldiers Home Road Phase 1, West Lafayette, Tim said this project is moving along. There have not been many major changes in terms of funding or schedule. He asked if Josh had anything to add.

Josh Lee responded he does not have anything to add.

Sagamore Parkway Trail, West Lafayette, Tim said this project has been let, and just a note since the last quarterly report cycle, we did some moving around of the money. We moved some of the IIJA Funds and executed a funding tray. He asked Josh if he had anything to add.

Josh Lee responded he does not have anything to add.

## **VI. OTHER BUSINESS**

None.

## **VII. CITIZEN COMMENTS**

There was a one-minute pause to allow for public comments. There were none.

## **VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

Randy Anderson moved to adjourn. Stu Kline seconded, and the meeting was adjourned by unanimous voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:44 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Ewen  
Recording Secretary

Reviewed By,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Hittle". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line extending to the right from the end of the name.

David L. Hittle  
Executive Director