

DATS POLICY COMMITTEE MINUTES

February 11, 2016

A meeting of the Danville Area Transportation Study (DATS) Policy Committee was held on Thursday, February 11, 2016 at Danville City Hall, 17 W. Main St., Danville, IL.

DATS Policy Committee Chairman Eisenhower called the meeting to order at 10:30 AM

I. Roll Call:

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Mayor Scott Eisenhower, City of Danville
Mike Marron, County Board Chairman
Mayor Mike Weese, Village of Westville
Craig Emberton, IDOT District 5

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: None

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Jadyn Vinson, DATS Director
Lilla Bagby, DATS Planner
Doug Staske, Vermillion County Highway Department
Tom Caldwell, IDOT OP&P

II. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda made by Mike Marron and seconded by Craig Emberton

a. Voice vote: Yea 4 Nay 0 Absent 0 Abstain 0

III. Approval of Minutes from Policy Committee Meeting of November 11, 2015 made by Craig Emberton and seconded by Mayor Weese.

a. Voice vote: Yea 4 Nay 0 Absent 0 Abstain 0

IV. Public Comment Period

a. No public comments.

V. New Business

a. Items of information:

- i. **New Metro Manager from IDOT OP&P:** Tom Caldwell is replacing Tom Kelso as our metro manager. Tom has already been to a few of our MPO meetings, and is familiar with the general organization setup. Welcome aboard Tom!
- ii. **FY 17 Anticipated Funding Marks:** The MPO received the anticipated marks for fiscal year 2017. The numbers are consistent with current funding. Our FY17 anticipated budget will be created based off of these marks.
- iii. **STU Update:** The STU funds are the construction funds allocated through the MPO. The STU update was provided by Brian Trygg, with District 5. Currently, there are two projects selected for STU funds. The City of Danville will be using \$720,000 for improvements along Fairchild and Jackson Streets. Vermillion County was allocated \$450,000 for use full depth pavement reclamation along West Newell Street.
- iv. **Wayfinding and Signage Project:** Corbin Design from Traverse City, MI has been selected as the project consultant. The project team has been to Danville for an initial kickoff meeting, stakeholder meeting, community tour, and establishment of the existing conditions of signage in Danville. Next steps include design alternatives and the provision of a final master plan.
- v. **Downtown Parking Analysis:** MPO staff is working with City of Danville staff on creating a parking analysis of the Downtown Danville. An existing inventory and issues have been compiled. MPO and City staff held a kickoff meeting for

the stakeholders, to introduce the project and compile existing issues with parking in the downtown area. This spring, MPO Staff will conduct real-time parking counts to determine demand and peak usage. Initial take-away from stakeholder committee: connections between ancillary surface lots and vermilion street need to have pedestrian-focused lighting, proper signage, and safe connections; the City needs to better use alleyways to improve access; future land use of the downtown area was also discussed at length.

- vi. **UPWP FY17 Call for Projects:** Policy committee members were provided a list of past submissions that were not selected to move forward. Please send project submissions to MPO Staff by the 24th of February. The City of Danville has announced its interest in conducting a corridor study for improvements to Bowman Avenue.
- vii. **TIP FY17-20 Call for Projects:** Please send TIP updates to MPO Staff by February 24th. Any agency using state or federal funding on a project will need to include that project in the TIP document.
- viii. **COD TIP Administrative Modification:** The city has added \$600,000 of local funds to the Fairchild and Jackson Street improvement projects. These funds were non-competitive to the other MPO members, as they are local dollars.

b. Discussion and Vote

i. **IDOT TIP Amendment**

- 1. Changes were received from IDOT OP&P to two projects. Project A105 is removing micro surfacing from the project scope, just patching along I-74.
- 2. Project D025 is an addition to the TIP, to include bit surface treatment along 1200 North Road from Catlin Road to E of TR306.
- 3. A motion was made by Mike Marron to approve the IDOT TIP Amendments, seconded by Craig Emberton and approved by all.
Yea 4 No 0 Absent 0 Abstain 0

ii. **Vermilion County TIP Amendment**

- 1. This TIP Amendment was to add the West Newell Road project to the TIP. This project should have been added to the TIP when it was selected to receive STU funds, but was not. This is just a follow up.
- 2. Motion to approve the Vermilion County TIP Amendment was made by Mike Marron and seconded by Craig Emberton.
- 3. Voice Vote: Yea 4 Nay 0 Absent 0 Abstain 0

VI. Old Business

a. Agency Reports

i. Vermilion County

- 1. There is a potential new airport manager for the Vermilion Regional Airport, he is an excellent candidate and would be a good addition to the MPO.

ii. IDOT

- 1. IDOT is currently reorganizing within departments. No layoffs or terminations are anticipated, no increase in staff.

iii. Westville

- 1. Motor fuel taxes have caught up, hoping to help redo a lift station.

iv. City of Danville

- 1. The Balloons Over Vermilion event will return to Danville on July 15 & 16th at the Vermilion Regional Airport.

v. FHWA- No Report

VII. Adjournment

- a. Motion to adjourn made by Mike Marron and Seconded by Craig Emberton

DATS Policy Committee Chairman Mayor Eisenhauer adjourned the meeting at 11:00 AM.