

## DATS POLICY COMMITTEE MINUTES

June 11, 2015

A meeting of the Danville Area Transportation Study (DATS) Policy Committee was held on Thursday, June 11, 2015 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  
Proxy, Ryan Anderson  
Mayor Mike Weese, Village of Westville  
Craig Emberton, IDOT District 5  
Proxy, Robert Nelson

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: None

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Jadyn Marganski, DATS Director  
Tom Kelso, IDOT  
Lilla Bagby, DATS Planner  
Mayara Belhego de Lima, DATS Intern  
David Schnelle, City of Danville  
Christina Foster, Public

II. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda made by Mayor Weese and seconded by Robert Nelson.

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

III. Approval of Minutes from Technical Committee Meeting of May 14, 2015 made by Robert Nelson and seconded by Ryan Anderson.

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

IV. Public Comment Period

a. Ms. Foster noted Giddings Street was quite flooded from the rain event on Sunday. Mayor Eisenhower informed the group that nearly all parts of the city were affected by the storm.

V. New Business

a. Items of information:

- i. MPO staff is currently working with Northern Illinois University and Champaign County Cycles on the creation of a regional bicycle map for the MPA. This map creation comes as a result of the 2015 Regional Bicycle Plan public participation process. Northern Illinois' Geography department will be creating the map, and has quoted the work at \$5,760.00. The map will be added to the 2015 Regional Bicycle Plan as an amendment.
- ii. Director Marganski reviewed a number of budget line item transfers with the Policy Committee. These transfers will cover payroll for the month of June and technology upgrades for the MPO. Currently, the MPO is exploring anti-virus software as well as a backup server. Mayor Eisenhower asked if the MPO's funds can be rolled-over into the next FY's, Tom Kelso noted that rolling-over funds is not allowed by current State statute.
- iii. The 2040 LRTP Detailed project list from the Lochmueller group was presented to the Policy committee for their review. This list includes 4 detailed project descriptions – the intersection of Voorhees and Jackson, Bowman Avenue grade separation, and 2 legs of the Beltline project. This item will return to the Policy Committee in the July meetings.
- iv. Mayara Balhego de Lima, a graduate student with the University of Illinois Department of Urban and Regional Planning, is working with the MPO this summer.

b. Discussion and Vote

- i. 2015 Regional Bicycle Plan
  - 1. The 2015 Regional Bicycle Plan was created as an update to the 2010 Bicycle Plan. The creation of this document began in June 2014, and was presented to the DATS Policy Committee today for their final approval.
  - 2. The document was set on 30-day public review, made available online and also in person at the Danville, Catlin, Georgetown, and Westville libraries. No comments were received on the document. MPO staff is currently developing ideas to generate and gather more public input on planning issues. One suggestion thus far has been the use of a booth at the Danville Farmer's Market.
  - 3. MPO Staff contacted the Danville Police Department regarding the recent publication of an article detailing the use of Friendly Town and their objectives. Bicycle safety will be a topic covered by the curriculum
  - 4. A motion was made by Mike Weese to adopt the 2015 Regional Bicycle Plan as presented, seconded by Robert Nelson and approved by all.  
Yea 4 No 0 Absent 0 Abstain 0
- ii. Final Adoption of the FY 16 UPWP
  - 1. The work plan for FY16 was on public review for 30-days at public libraries in Danville, Catlin, Georgetown and Westville. At last week's Technical Committee meeting it was noted that Task 8.0 should include a summary of each special study, so that sheet was incorporated and discussed by the Policy committee. No other changes were made.
  - 2. IDOT noted that they would like to be included in the Wayfinding and Signage study.
  - 3. A motion was made by Ryan Anderson to approve the final adoption of the FY16 UPWP, seconded by Robert Nelson and approved by all.  
Yea 4 No 0 Absent 0 Abstain 0
- iii. FY16-19 Transportation Improvement Program
  - 1. This document was on 30-day public review at local public libraries in Danville, Catlin, Georgetown and Westville. Two projects will be added as administrative modifications, as they do not use Federal dollars, one from Vermilion County and one from the City of Danville.
  - 2. This is a fiscally constrained document that gets updated annually within the MPO.
  - 3. A motion was made by Mike Weese to approve the FY16-19 TIP document, seconded by Robert Nelson and approved by all.  
Yea 4 No 0 Absent 0 Abstain 0

VI. Old Business

a. Agency Reports

i. Vermilion County

- 1. No report

ii. IDOT

- 1. US 150 Bridge work is underway (60% complete). I-74 is currently being resurfaced (5% complete). Robert Nelson also responded to an inquiry of Director Marganski regarding marked pedestrian crossings along East Main Street. It seems that decorative crosswalks will not be allowed by IDOT due to MUTCD standards. IDOT is open to painting continental crosswalks if that's what the City prefers to see.

iii. Westville

- 1. Worked out a deal with the contractor to address their water tower issues. USDA was contacted initially as well.

iv. City of Danville

- 1. Still drying out from this Sunday's rain events. Bowman Avenue was progressing nicely, but has had a setback due to the rain event. The city was hit pretty hard by

the effects of the storm- basement collapses, water damage to vehicles, boats needed to rescue people from their homes in Holiday Hills.

VII. Adjournment

- a. Motion to adjourn made by Ryan Anderson and Seconded by Robert Nelson.

DATS Policy Committee Chairman Mayor Eisenhower adjourned the meeting at 11:10 AM