

**Minutes of the
REGULAR MEETING OF THE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD (TAB)**

Wednesday, March 15, 2017
Metropolitan Council Chambers, 390 North Robert St., St. Paul

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Swanson, Dick	McGuire, Mary Jo	Goins, William
Bigham, Karla	Wosje, Jeff	Parsons, Rolf	Reich, Kevin
Villella, Sam	Laufenburger, Denny	Giuliani Stephens, Mary	Maluchnik, Randy
Ulrich, Jon	Look, Matt	Sanger, Sue	Thornton, David
Dugan, Peter	Christensen, Carrie	Tolbert, Chris	Rodriguez, Katie
Tabke, Brad	Anderson, Doug	Sandahl, Suzanne	Crimmins, Carl
Staples, Jamez	McBride, Scott	Gaylord, Kathleen	Goettel, Debbie (alt)
Hollinshead, Mathews (alt)	Droste, Bill (alt)	Hooppaw, Clint (alt)	
ABSENT:	Hovland, James, Chair	McKnight, Kenya	Callison, Jan
	Petryk, Becky	Hansen, Gary	Van Hattum, David
	Fawley, Ethan	Hamann-Roland, Mary	
LIAISON/STAFF PRESENT:	Elaine Koutsoukos, TAB Coordinator		

I. CALL TO ORDER

A quorum was present when Vice-Chair Laufenburger called the regular meeting of the Transportation Advisory Board to order at 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 15, 2017.

II. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Motion by Bigham, seconded by Look to adopt the agenda. Motion carried.

III. PUBLIC FORUM

Invitation to the public to address the Board about any issue not on the agenda. There were no members of the public present to address the TAB at today's meeting.

IV. REPORTS

1. TAB Chair's Report

Laufenburger introduced new TAB representatives: Mary Giuliani-Stephens-Woodbury Mayor-appointed by Metro Cities; Bill Droste-Rosemount Mayor (alternate); and Clint Hooppaw-Apple Valley City Council (alternate).

Laufenburger stated that the TAB will be asked to act on Overprogramming in April. Suggestions from TAC, F&P and staff will be provided. The April TAB agenda and materials will be sent out a week earlier in order to give TAB members time to study the meeting materials.

2. Agency Reports (MnDOT, MPCA, MAC and Metropolitan Council)

MnDOT: Scott McBride – reported that Pat Bursaw-MnDOT will be retiring in May. He also reported that 1½ years ago the Federal Government passed the FAST Act and MnDOT was given \$105M additional to spend on projects, but no authority has been given to MnDOT to spend these funds to date. Projects are ready and waiting to be let. Lettings have been delayed due to politics. If these funds are not spent in the fiscal year, they will go back to the Federal Government. Elaine Koutsoukos will send the project information and talking points to TAB members so that they can approach the legislature as they feel appropriate.

MPCA: David Thornton – no report.

MAC: Carl Crimmins – reported that construction continues at the airport; utilities are being moved to make way for the new parking ramp and hotel. The roadways should be complete, but the hotel will not be complete in time for the Superbowl. MAC has formed a committee to prepare for the Superbowl. Last weekend was the busiest in history for the airport with over 40,000 passengers each day Sat. & Sun. The checkpoints worked well since TSA has hired more help and there are more canine units.

Metropolitan Council: Katie Rodriguez – reported information as a follow-up to the MPCA presentation last month. Metro Transit's fleet is 20% hybrid buses and no electric buses at this time. She also reported that Metro Council is looking at scenarios for a fare increase. Proposals or multiple proposals are expected to be presented at the March 27 Transportation Committee for approval to go out for public comment.

3. Technical Advisory Committee

Paul Oehme, TAC Vice Chair, had no report other than the items that are on the TAB agenda today.

V. CONSENT ITEMS

Motion by Reich, seconded by Gaylord and carried to approve the minutes from the February 15, 2017 TAB meeting.

VI. ACTION ITEMS

1. 2017-08: Scope Change: Scott County, TH 69/TH 41/CSAH 14
TAC Vice Chair Paul Oehme presented this item. There were no questions from committee members.
Motion by Gaylord, seconded by Ulrich:
That the Transportation Advisory Board approve the scope change request to Scott County's TH 169/TH 41/CSAH 78 Intersection Improvement Project (SP# 070-596-013; 7005-121) to add a frontage road and a new overpass north of CSAH 41.
Motion passed.
2. 2017-09: TIP Amendment: Scott County Scope Change
TAC Vice Chair Paul Oehme presented this item. There were no questions from committee members
Motion by Ulrich, seconded by Gaylord:
That the Transportation Advisory Board approve an amendment to the 2017-2020 TIP to adjust project cost and the description of the Scott County TH 169-/TH 41/CSAH 78/CSAH 14 Intersection Improvement Project (SP# 070-596-013) for the purpose of releasing it for public comment.
Motion passed.
3. 2017-10: Streamlined TIP Amendment: 5310, MnDOT
TAC Vice Chair Paul Oehme presented this item. MTS Senior Planner Joe Barbeau explained the projects further in response to Sanger.
Motion by Rodriguez, seconded by Sanger:
That the Transportation Advisory Board adopt the amendment into the 2017-2020 TIP to include funding for "Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Persons with Disabilities" projects.
Motion passed.

VII. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. MnDOT Freight Investment Plan
MnDOT Freight Planner David Tomporowski presented this item. MTS Manager Highway Planning & TAB/TAC Process Steve Peterson and TAB Freight Representative Bill Goins assisted in the presentation.
2. TIP Schedule
Metropolitan Transportation Services Planning Senior Planner Joe Barbeau presented this item.

VIII. OTHER BUSINESS AND ITEMS OF TAB MEMBERS

Laufenburger stated that a meeting of the By-Laws committee has not yet been scheduled. A list of future TAB meeting information items was sent to TAB members by Koutsoukos. Please reply to Koutsoukos with additions or comments.

IX. ADJOURNMENT - Business completed, the meeting adjourned at 2:05 p.m.