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**MEETING OF THE  
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
AND THE POLICY COMMITTEE  
OF THE  
OWENSBORO-DAVIESS COUNTY  
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION**

April 9, 2019

**M-I-N-U-T-E-S**

The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and the Policy Committee of the Owensboro-Daviess County Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) met in a joint meeting on April 9, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. The meeting was held in Room 406, City Hall, Owensboro, Kentucky. Quorums for both committees were present with the members, as listed:

**TAC MEMBERS PRESENT**

Nate Pagan, Owensboro City Manager, Chairman  
Nick Hall, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) District 2  
Tim Lyons, Owensboro Municipal Utilities (OMU)  
Sgt. Mike Page, Owensboro Police Department (OPD)  
Dean Behnke, Regional Water Resource Agency (RWRA) (Rep. by Sean O'Bryan)  
Jiten Shah, Green River Area Development District (GRADD)  
Scott Atherton, Kenergy  
Barry House, KYTC Division of Planning  
Brian Howard, Owensboro Metropolitan Planning Commission (OMPC)  
Brittaney Johnson, Greater Owensboro Economic Development Corporation (GO-EDC)  
(Rep. by Becky McCubbins)  
Mark Brasher, Daviess County Engineer  
Kevin Collignon, Owensboro City Engineer

**TAC MEMBERS ABSENT**

Lt. Scott Wedding, Daviess County Sheriff's Office  
Brian Wright, Owensboro Riverport Authority  
Candance Brake, Greater Owensboro Chamber of Commerce  
Charlie Castlen, Daviess County Commissioner  
Pamela Canary, Owensboro Transit System (OTS)  
Rob Barnett, Owensboro-Daviess County Regional Airport

David Johnston, Chairman ■ Brad Schneider, Vice Chairman ■ Al Mattingly, Jr., Secretary ■ Steve Henry, Treasurer ■ Jiten Shah, Executive Director

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Eric Perez, KYTC Office of Transportation Delivery  
Bernadette Dupont, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)

POLICY COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Tom Watson, City of Owensboro Mayor, Chairman  
Al Mattingly, Daviess County Judge/Executive, Vice-Chairman  
Deneatra Henderson, KYTC District 2 (Rep. by Nick Hall)

POLICY COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

All present

GUESTS AND STAFF PRESENT

Dan Lanham, Audubon Area Community Services/GRITS  
Austin Ramsey, Messenger-Inquirer  
Tom Lovett, GRADD

I. CALL TO ORDER

TAC Chairman Nate Pagan called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

II. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

The minutes of the February 26, 2019, joint Technical Advisory Committee and Policy Committee meeting were presented for approval.

A motion was made by Al Mattingly and seconded by Nick Hall to approve the minutes of the February 26, 2019, Technical Advisory/Policy Committee meeting.  
A vote was taken and the motion carried.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

None.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)

Tom Lovett informed the committees that the UPWP, which outlines the duties and responsibilities of the MPO was complete. He said he had provided draft copies to his immediate supervisor at GRADD, Joanna Shake, as well as Bernadette Dupont and FHWA and

Barry House of KYTC. Each provided feedback and their requested changes had been made. The UPWP had to be submitted to state and federal officials by April 30.

Barry House stated he had read through the revised UPWP and while he had a few small changes that needed to be made, none were significant. He recommended approval with the understanding that remaining requested changes would be made.

Mr. Lovett assured committee members Mr. House's changes would be made.

A motion was made by Barry House and seconded by Kevin Collignon for the TAC to recommend that the Policy Committee approve the UPWP, with the understanding that a few needed changes would be made. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

A motion was made by Tom Watson and seconded by Al Mattingly to approve the UPWP. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

B. Coordinated Plan

Tom Lovett informed the committees he had completed the Coordinated Public Transit/Human Services Transportation Plan. He explained the Coordinated Plan is an annual requirement. GRITS surveys its riders and provides the information to the MPO, which then formats it for submission to the FTA. Mr. Lovett said he was providing it to the MPO as an informational item, no action is required.

Mr. House asked that he go into further detail about what the plan is and what it means. Mr. Lovett said the plan focuses on four items:

- Assessment of available transportation services;
- Assessment of need;
- Strategies to address transportation needs; and
- Priorities for implementation.

Dan Lanham of GRITS said the agency is required to seek public input into what people would like to see the agency do. He explained they send out an annual survey by certified mail inviting people to comment and attend the annual meeting. During the meeting, GRITS officials address the issues raised, either explaining how they can respond to the request or explaining the barriers they face.

C. Statewide Corridor Plan

Tom Lovett informed the committees he had taken part in a KYTC webinar about the state's efforts to create a Corridor Plan. He said the state was seeking to formalize what it was already doing in regard to maintaining and upgrading the corridors but was now seeking to back up its decisions with data; to ensure the most effective use of its resources.

Mr. House told the MPO the study will focus on mobility of freight and movement of people. He said the scope of work had not yet been defined, but said he believed it would focus heavily on identifying bottlenecks. The upgrading of the Natcher Parkway to an interstate is the kind of thing that would have come out of a study such as this one, if it had taken place five or 10 years ago.

Mr. Lovett said he would keep the MPO informed of progress.

## VI. UPDATES

### A. Highway District Office Update

Nick Hall gave the following updates:

- Work on the Goetz/Frederica and the Kentucky 81/Frederica realignment projects should begin in April and hopefully be done in June;
- Signing on I-165 should be complete by the end of the summer; and
- Work on US 60 at Oakford Road work is expected to be let in April.

### B. MPO Update

Tom Lovett gave the following updates:

- All SHIFT recommendations have been submitted; in a conference call the state identified some issues that needed to be corrected. Those corrections have been made as well.
- The MPO coordinators group has some discretionary funds that can be used to study potential road projects. He brought this to the MPO's attention so it could consider applying for funds for a study.

## VII. OTHER BUSINESS

Mayor Watson and Judge Mattingly asked Mr. Lovett to investigate the process of adding a new road project to the State Highway Plan. He said he would do so.

## VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:44 a.m.

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