

Erie MPO Coordinating Committee

July 15, 2009 Minutes

A quorum of the Erie MPO Coordinating Committee convened on Wednesday, July 15, 2009 following the regularly scheduled Technical Advisory Committee Meeting held at 10:00 AM at the Erie Intermodal Transportation Center, 2nd Floor Conference Room, 208 East Bayfront Parkway, Erie, PA.

Those in attendance were:

Organization	Representative	Alternate
PennDOT Central		Michael Schultz (phone)
PennDOT D 1-0	Bill Petit	
Erie County		Jake Welsh
City of Erie		Kim Green
City of Erie	Jon Tushak	
City of Erie	John Elliot	
City of Erie		
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City of Corry	Gerry Dahl	
Fairview Township	Peter Kraus	
Harborcreek Township	Dave Bossart	
Lawrence Park Township		
Millcreek Township	Thomas Hoffman	
Millcreek Township	Rick Morris	
Summit Township	Marlin Coon	
Wesleyville Borough		
ECABO	Richard McGuire	
ECATO		
ECATO		
EWPPA		Julia Eagles
EMTA	Dennis Solensky	Lorene McGuire
ERAA	Chris Rodgers	

Coordinating Committee Voting Members represented – 16 of 23; quorum present

Guests	Organization
Deborah Casadei	PennDOT
Mariah Hanson	PennDOT D-1
Eli Whitmore	PennDOT D-1
Michael Deibel	PennDOT D-1
Scott Young	PennDOT D-1
Regina Smith	Sen. Earll's Office
Erin Wiley-Moyers	PennDOT D-1
Charity Stover	Urban Engineers
John Morgan	ECDP

1. Transportation Enhancements

Richard McGuire informed the committee that the **Waterford Borough Side Walk Project (MPMS 77163)** had come in overbid at \$422,475.00. This left the Borough with a shortfall \$146,475. Mr. McGuire requested the Committee to allocate an additional \$146,475 to the project.

Mariah Hanson Informed the Committee that \$38,000 remained uncommitted from the previous deferment of the **Wattsburg Hometown Streets Project (MPMS 72861)** that could be allocated to the project.

Jake Welsh reminded the Committee that in order to allocate additional funds to the project, funds needed to be deferred from another project.

Discussion followed concerning the responsibility of local sponsors to cover shortfalls, the difficulty of estimating costs for TE projects, the effects of variables such as inflation and other economic conditions, and the development of a more stringent policy for the TE Program.

Mr. Welsh recommended that a new policy be developed for future TE funding rounds; but that current projects be permitted utilize the established practice of requesting additional funds be allocated at the MPO's discretion through the deferment process.

John Morgan informed the committee that the most reasonable candidate for deferment based on current status is Millcreek Township's **Asbury Road Bike Lane Project (MPMS 72860)**. The Township had been contacted in advance and was agreeable to deferment.

Mariah Hanson added that the actual amount required for the **Waterford Borough Side Walk Project (MPMS 77163)** to cover the over-run would be approximately \$210,000 after including inspection costs.

Gerry Dahl moved that:

The MPO shall allocate \$38,000.00 of the funding authorization deferred from the Wattsburg Hometown Streets Project (MPMS 72861) on November 12, 2008 to the Waterford Borough Side Walk Project (MPMS 77163)

And

Defer the funding authorization of \$404, 531.00 awarded to Millcreek Township for the Asbury Road Bike Lanes Project (MPMS 72860)

And

Allocate not more than \$172,000.00 of the Millcreek Township's deferred funds to the Waterford Borough Side Walk Project (MPMS 77163)

And

Provide the deferred projects with first priority in the next Transportation Enhancements (TE) funding round.

Richard McGuire seconded the motion. The motion passed.
Being no further business, the quorum adjourned.

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Sent: Thursday, July 16, 2009 12:12 PM

To: Welsh, Jake; Brian McGrath (E-mail); Cheryl Capela (Union City Boro) (E-mail); Chris Gradler (E-mail); Dan Harmon (E-mail) (E-mail); Dana Beck; Dave Deter; Don Hall ADE Design (E-mail) (E-mail); Ed Kissell (E-mail) (E-mail); Joseph D. Peck (E-mail); Julia Eagles (E-mail); Kim Green; Larry Curtis (E-mail); Lorene McGuire (E-mail) (E-mail); Michael Schultz (E-mail); Richard Robie (E-mail); Sharon Knoll (E-mail); Terry St. Denny (E-mail); Bill Petit (E-mail) (E-mail); Brenda Sandberg (E-mail); Chris Rodgers (E-mail); David Bossart (E-mail) (E-mail); Dennis Solensky (E-mail) (E-mail); Dick Gebhardt (E-mail) (E-mail); Gerry Dahl (City of Corry) (E-mail); John Elliot (E-mail); Jon Tushak; Larry Bossolt (E-mail); Larry S. Shifflet (E-mail); Mark DiVecchio County Executive (E-mail) (E-mail); Marlin K Coon (Summit Twp) (E-mail); Joe Sinnott Esq.; Peter Kraus (E-mail) (E-mail); Peter Nye (E-mail); Ray Schreckengost (E-mail) (E-mail); Richard McGuire (Waterford Boro) (E-mail); Richard Morris (Millcreek Twp) (E-mail); Richard Warner (E-mail); Thomas Hoffman (E-mail); Tom Renshaw (Lawrence Park Twp) (E-mail)

Subject: E-MAIL BALLOT: ASBURY ROAD BIKE LANE FUNDING AUTHORIZATION

Importance: High

Ladies and Gentlemen,

At the July 15th TAC meeting a quorum of 16 Coordinating Committee members was present to discuss a request to allocate additional funds to the Waterford Borough Side Walk Project (MPMS 77163) to cover its bid shortfall. The discussion concluded with the following motion being passed:

The MPO shall allocate \$38,001.00 of the funding authorization deferred from the Wattsburg Hometown Streets Project (MPMS 72861) on November 12, 2009 to the Waterford Borough Side Walk Project (MPMS 77163)

And

Defer the funding authorization of \$404, 531.00 awarded to Millcreek Township for the Asbury Road Bike Lanes Project (MPMS 72860)

And

Allocate \$172,000.00 of the Millcreek Township's deferred funds to the Waterford Borough Side Walk Project (MPMS 77163)

And

Provide the deferred projects with first priority in the next Transportation Enhancements (TE) funding round.

Today we found that the deferment of Millcreek Twp's Asbury Rd Bike Lanes Project is unnecessary.

PennDOT staff has identified \$208,000.00 in the 2009 TIP ITS Initiative that can be used to cover the additional funds requested for the Waterford Borough Side Walk Project. This funding can be shifted as an Administrative Action without action being taken by the MPO.

However, a vote is necessary to undo the deferment of Millcreek's funding authority. Wattsburg Boro's \$38,001 will remain deferred and available for future projects.

The County moves that:

The MPO shall restore the original funding authorization of \$404, 531.00 awarded to Millcreek Township for the Asbury Road Bike Lanes Project (MPMS 72860).

Please respond with a 'yes' or 'no' vote as soon as possible.

If you have any questions please contact me.

Thank you,

John E. Morgan

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Cc: Mariah Hanson (E-mail); Welsh, Jake

Subject: RESULTS: E-MAIL BALLOT: ASBURY ROAD BIKE LANE FUNDING AUTHORIZATION

We have received the 12 votes necessary to restore Millcreek Twp's funding for the Asbury Road Bike Lane project.

Thank you all for your prompt responses, and thanks again to Mariah and all the folks at PennDOT who found this solution.

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