

Minutes of the RPA 15 Technical Advisory Committee Meeting
June 22nd, 2020

TAC Committee Members Present:

Scott Cline	Rick Tebbs
Andrew McGuire	Ashley Utt
Sean Murphy	Ryne Thornburg
Shawn Morrissey	Jeff Skalberg
Melanie Carlson	Larry Seals
Kim Steele Blair	

Others Present

Chris Kukla – RPA 15

Call to Order. Cline called the meeting to order at 2:03pm.

Electronic meeting statement. The RPA is holding this meeting by electronic means pursuant to the provisions of the Iowa Open Meetings Law, Section 21.8, Code of Iowa. As a result of community spread in the State of Iowa and the State Public Health Emergency Declaration Issued on March 20th, 2020. As a result of community spread in the state and guidance from the CDC and IDPH it is impractical for the RPA to meet in person. Therefore, this meeting is being held by conference call. It is open to the public and the public can call in and join by conference call. Public notice of the meeting has been issued in accordance with Iowa Code Section 21.4

Review of the minutes. Skalberg made a motion to approve the April 17th, 2020 as presented, Thornburg seconded the motion. All present voted aye; motion approved.

Review/Approve CHBP amendments to the 2020 TIP.

- a. **Jefferson County.** Requested to add the 257th St bridge, TPMS # 36328 to the TIP. Project includes \$273,100 in federal aid and \$226,900 in SWAP funding.
- b. **Jefferson County.** Requested to add the H28 bridge over Burr Creek, TPMS # 37796 to the TIP. Project includes \$409,650 in federal aid and \$340,350 in SWAP funding.
- c. **Keokuk County.** Requested to add V44 bridge over S Fork English River, TPMS # 32370, to the TIP. Project includes \$442,422 in federal aid and \$757,578 in SWAP funding.
- d. **Van Buren County.** Requested to add the J40 bridge over Reeds Creek, TPMS # 24778, to the TIP. Project includes \$491,580 in federal aid and \$408,420 in SWAP funding.
- e. **Wapello County.** Requested to add the 28th St bridge over Chippewa Creek, TPMS # 29233, to the TIP. Project includes \$95,585 in federal aid and \$79,415 in SWAP funds.
- f. **Wapello County.** Requested to add the 215th Ave over Bear Creek, TPMS # 37569, to the TIP. Project includes \$204,825 in federal aid and \$170,175 in SWAP funding.

Carlson made a motion to approve CHBP amendments a through f, Skalberg seconded the motion. All present voted aye; motion approved.

Review/approve 2021-2024 SWAP application.

- a. **Oskaloosa.** The City of Oskaloosa is requested \$1,400,000 in SWAP funds to reconstruct South 7th Street from 9th Ave E to 7th Ave E. This project would be programmed in federal fiscal year 2024 of the TIP.

Carlson asked how wide the sidewalk will be on the project. Murphy said it will be 5ft wide on one side and explained there are obstacles due to the railroad preventing a sidewalk on the other side.

Carlson made a motion to approve Oskaloosa's SWAP application, Seals seconded the motion. All present voted aye; motion approved.

Discuss and take action on changes to the Pavement Management Program. Iowa DOT will be collecting pavement data for secondary and local roads every four years instead of every two. RPA can continue to have data collected every two years if it wants, cost will be \$102,059 every four years (two years alternating DOT provides data). Decision was tabled at last meeting.

Skalberg asked when the next collection cycle for the region will be. Kukla responded it will be in 2021.

Thornburg made a motion to not opt in to the two year collection, Cline seconded the motion. All present voted aye; motion approved.

Review and approve the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program.

Cline said that the Cedar Ave bridge project should be over Rock Creek instead of Lime Creek, Kukla checked the TIP and made sure it showed Rock Creek.

Skalberg made a motion to approve the Transportation Improvement Program, Murphy seconded the motion. All present voted aye; motion approved.

Status updates on active STBG/SWAP and TAP projects.

Seals provided an update on the Milner St SWAP project in Ottumwa, city proceeding with water main replacement and pavement removal.

McGuire gave an update on W15 SWAP project and the Belva Deer Trail TAP project, both are nearing completion. County is finishing paving on the trail and scheduled to have a project closeout.

Next Meeting. To be determined.

Adjourn. Skalberg made a motion to adjourn at 2:31pm, Seals seconded the motion. All present voted aye; motion approved.