

**Minutes of the Executive Board Meeting of the
Lakeway Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization
Executive Board Meeting
Wednesday June 21, 2023**

Present (Executive Board):

Michelle Christian	TDOT
Mark Potts	Jefferson County
Mike Patterson	ETHRA/ Lakeway Transit
Bill Brittain	Hamblen County
Tony Cox	Morristown (proxy for Gary Chesney)
James Gallup	Jefferson City (proxy for Mitch Cain)

Present (TAC)

Steve Neilson	Morristown
Porter Massengill	Jefferson City
Dawson Bell	TDOT
Don Brown	ETDD-RPO

Staff:

Rich DesGroseilliers	MTPO Coordinator
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Absent:

FTA representative
Railroad representative
White Pine representative

I. START OF MEETING/ ROLL CALL

Chair **Mark Potts** started the meeting at 9:00 am. Staff noted the attendance of the meeting.

II. Approval of the May 10, 2023 minutes

Staff recommends approval as submitted. A motion was made **by Bill Brittain, seconded by Mike Patterson**, to approve the minutes as submitted. The motion was approved unanimously.

III. FFY2022-2023 UPWP Amendment

This is to shift a total of \$31,123.92 (*the breakdown is \$24,899.14 CPG funds, \$1,556.19 state funds, and \$4,668.59 local matching funds*) unused FFY2022 funds into FFY2023 Task 4 Long Range Planning, to start the consultation process for the 2050 MTP. This is working in partnership with TDOT and the Knoxville TPO. Staff recommends approval as submitted. A motion was made by Tony Cox, seconded by Bill Brittain, to approve the FFY2022-2023 UPWP amendment as submitted. The motion was approved unanimously.

IV. FFY2023-2026 TIP Amendments

a. These amendments are for the addition of the Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) funds

- i. **Project 1003 E Morris Blvd**, add a total of \$408,316.25 (\$326,653.00 CRP and \$81,663.25 local match) in FFY2023. This uses 2022 and 2023 CRP funds
- ii. **Project 3022 Old AJ Hwy** project , add a total of \$210,302.50 (\$168,242.00 CRP and \$42,060.50 local match) in FFY2024. Add \$214,508.75 (\$171,607.00 CRP and \$42,901.75 local match) in FFY2025.
- iii. **Project 1010 Central Church Rd**, add \$218,798.75 (\$175,039.00 CRP funds, and \$43,759.75 local match) in FFY2026

b. Reduction of the CRRSAA funds due to the Debt-Ceiling Crisis.

Congress passed the Debt-Ceiling fund by decreasing various funds, such as the CRRSAA. Whatever money was not spent, was taken away, and unfortunately, could not be flexed into transit funds. Thus Morristown will lose \$245,066 CRRSAA funding for the E Morris Blvd project, and Jefferson City will lose \$100,000.00 for the Old AJ Hwy project.

Staff recommends approval as submitted. A motion was made by Bill Brittain, seconded by Tony Cox, to approve the TIP amendments as submitted. The motion was approved unanimously.

V. Discussion of the Transit Center Feasibility Study

Survey went live on June 12, 2023. Mike Patterson and Rich DesGroseilliers will be having a meeting with WSP Associates on Thursday, June 22, 2023. No action is needed at this time.

VI. Status Update of the 11E Corridor Study in Jefferson City

As of Monday, Feb. 20, 2023, there are 406 survey responses. A public meeting was held on April 6, 2023 at the City Hall in Jefferson City. No action is needed at this time. Next public meeting is June 21, 2023 at 5 pm at the Jefferson City City Hall Building.

VII. Status Update of the SR160 Corridor Study in Morristown

634 responses to the survey. Virtual meeting on April 24, 2023. Public meeting at Living Promise Church, 5075 Dearing Road, Morristown, TN 37813 on May 15, 2023 from 5pm to 7 pm. No action is needed at this time. The next meeting will occur at the TAC meeting on July 6 2023 at 10 at the Morristown City Hall Building.

VIII. LAMTPO UA and MPA Boundary

The US Census Bureau 2020 UA population for LAMTPO is 66,539. The proposed MPA boundary population is 97,131.

Staff gave a couple different options, it was noted that Bean Station will be a member in either option, based on the minimum 2,000 population threshold as stated within the ByLaws/ Prospectus of LAMTPO, or Grainger County could be a member of LAMTPO, depending on which MPA boundary option is chosen. It was decided to hold off for now and come back at a later date.

IX. Information/ Updates from FHWA/ FTA/ TDOT

TDOT staff mentioned the Multimodal Grant, to submit the full application if the Notice of Intent was selected.

The Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) application will be coming out soon, if anyone is interested.

The TDOT resurfacing letters to the various agencies will be coming out soon.

X. Other Business

TPTA Strategic Meeting in Pigeon Forge June 26-28
TAC/ SR160 meeting Thursday, July 6, 2023 in Morristown
Executive Board meeting July 12, 2023
TSITE Summer Conference July 26-28 2023 in Gatlinburg

Tony Cox stated that the City of Morristown did a pay scale survey, which the MTPO Coordinator was a part of. From it he mention a salary pay raise of 6.5% increase, which will start July 1, 2023, when the City's fiscal year starts (LAMTPO's fiscal year starts October 1, 2023)

Tony Cox also mentioned about updating the By-Laws and additional staff for LAMTPO, as recommended by the TDOT and FHWA.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:36 a.m.

These minutes were approved on July 12 , 2023.



Secretary,