

# Region 2 PLANNING COMMISSION

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## MEETING MINUTES

Region 2 Planning Commission - Full Commission  
Lenawee District Library  
4459 W. U.S. 223  
Adrian, MI 49221

Thursday, July 13, 2023

I. **Call to Order** – Chair Jancek called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. A quorum was present.

Attendance:

Adams	✓	Donaldson (E)	Kastel	Shaw
Andrews	✓	Duckham (E)	Keener	✓ Shotwell (E)
✓ Bair (E)	✓	Elwell (E)	Keller	Sigers (E)
Beach		Everidge	Koehn	✓ Smith (E)
Beecher		Gaede (E)	Lammers	Snell
✓ Beeker (E)		Gallagher	Lance	✓ Southworth (E)
Blythe		Gentner	Linnabary	Sutherland
Boggs		Gould, J.	Miller	✓ Swartzlander (E)
Bolton		Gould, L. (E)	Minnick, Jr.	Teriaco
Bush		Greene (E)	Mitchell	✓ Tillotson (E)
Bussell		Greenleaf	Montrief	Todd
Calender		Griffin	Navarro	✓ VanDoren
Camacho		Gross	Nickel	VanWinkle
Chamberlain		Havican (E)	O'Dowd	Votzke
Collins		Hawkins	✓ Overton (E)	Webb
Cornish		Hawley	✓ Penrose (E)	Weir
Cousino		Heath	Peters	Williams
Cure		Herlein	Pixley	Willis
✓ Cure	✓	Jancek (E)	Root	Wilson
David		Jennings	Saenz	✓ Witt (E)
Dillon		Johnson	✓ Schlecte (E)	

**Key:** ✓ = present (E) = Executive Committee member

Staff Present: Jacob Hurt, Jill Liogghio

Others Present: Bret Taylor, JCDOT and Andrea Strach, MDOT

II. **Approval of the July 13, 2023 Agenda** – The motion was made by Comm. Bair, supported by Comm. Duckham, to approve the July 13, 2023 agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

- III. Public Comment** – Chair Jancek requested public comment. Comm. Tillotson mentioned that Comm. Gould had surgery and was doing well.
- IV. Approval of the Full Commission Meeting Minutes for March 9, 2023 and May 11, 2023** – The motion was made by Comm. Bair, supported by Comm. VanDoren, to approve the Full Commission meeting minutes of March 9, 2023 and May 11, 2023 as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.
- V. Approval of Action Taken at the June 8, 2023 Executive Committee Meeting** – The motion was made by Comm. Schlecte, supported by Comm. Elwell, to approve the action taken at the June 8, 2023 Executive Committee meeting. The motion carried unanimously.
- VI. Receipt of Treasurer’s Report of June 30, 2023** – A motion was made by Comm. Shotwell, supported by Comm. Penrose, to receive the June 30, 2023 Treasurer’s Report as presented. The motion carried unanimously. Comm. Elwell inquired about a printing cost from Allegra which was the June R2PC agenda packet mailing. He also inquired about the payment to Abbott, Thomson, Mauldin, Parker, and Beer which was for a copyright consultation pertaining to a photo that is on the R2PC website.
- VII. Approval of July 13, 2023 Submitted Bills** – A motion was made by Comm. Bair, supported by Comm. Schlecte, to approve payment of the July 13, 2023 submitted bills. The motion carried unanimously.
- VIII. Staff Progress Report for June 2023** – The June 2023 staff progress report was included in the agenda packet. Mr. Hurt presented highlights from the staff progress report for the month of June.
- IX. Approval of Amendments to the JACTS FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)** – The following amendments to the JACTS FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) were submitted by the Michigan Department of Transportation.

FY	Job #	Name	Limits	Description	Funding	Total Phase Cost	Action
2024	209391	M-50	At Clark Lake Road in Napoleon Twp.	Install Center Left Turn Lane	Federal \$105,919 State \$11,769	\$117,688	Budget
2024	209391	M-50	At Clark Lake Road in Napoleon Twp.	Install Center Left Turn Lane	Federal \$734,850 State \$81,650	\$816,500	Add
2024	211675	I-94 BL E	US-127 BR/M-106 over Grand River & I-94 BL/M-50 over Grand River, 38083-B02 in the City of Jackson	Bridge Replacement, Deck Replacement, bearing replacement, full paint, substructure repairs, epoxy crack injection, concrete surface coating and approach work	Federal \$81,500 State \$16,552	\$100,000	Add

The motion was made by Comm. Schlecte, supported by Comm. Shotwell, to approve the TIP amendments presented by the Michigan Department of Transportation. The motion carried unanimously.

- X. 2050 LRTP Update** – Mr. Hurt stated that chapters 4, 5, 7, 8, and 12 of the 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan were included in the packet for review. All chapters available for review will also be placed on the R2PC website.
- XI. FY 2024 Urban Transportation Unified Work Program Update** – Mr. Hurt provided an update regarding FHWA/FTA's displeasure with the modifications to the Planning Emphasis Areas (PEAs) made by the Executive Committee at June's R2PC meeting to the FY2024 Urban Transportation Unified Work Program (UWP). Mr. Hurt informed the board that according to feedback that MDOT received from FHWA/FTA failure to address FHWA/FTA's concerns with the UWP puts the continued operation of JACTS at risk for FY2024. Comm. Elwell asked to see the chain of correspondence between FHWA/FTA and MDOT regarding the R2PC FY2024 UWP.
- XII. Other Business** – No business was brought before the Commission.
- XIII. Public Comment / Commissioners' Comments** – Comm. Cure discussed a zoning issue regarding residential non-conforming uses in the commercial zoning district of the Village of Cement City.
- XIV. Adjournment** – There being no further business, Chair Jancek adjourned the meeting at 2:32 p.m.

Alan Beeker  
Secretary