

MINUTES

Region 2 Rural Task Force Meeting

Jackson County Department of Transportation (JCDOT) Office
2400 N. Elm Ave., Jackson, MI 49201
Friday, June 24th 2022 / 9:30 AM

Members Present:

Hillsdale County

Kym Blythe, City of Reading (Cities/Villages Representative)
Julie Boyce, Key Opportunities (Transit Representative)

Jackson County

Jae Guetschow, Village of Brooklyn (Cities/Villages Representative)
Ryan Smith, Jackson Area Transportation Authority (Transit Representative)
Bret Taylor, JDCOT (County Road Commission Representative)

Lenawee County

Kate Daisher, City of Adrian Transit & Lenawee Transit (Transit Representative)

Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT)

Josh Grab, MDOT-RTF Program Coordinator (MDOT representative)

Others Present:

Jeff Mitchell, Springport Township
Anton Schauerte, R2PC

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Schauerte called the meeting to order at 9:32 AM.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were received.

3. APPROVAL OF 2/25/22 FULL REGION #2 RTF MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Taylor, supported by Mr. Guetschow, to approve the 2/25/22 Region #2 RTF meeting minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

4.A. UPDATE FROM MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (MDOT)

Mr. Grab provided an overview of the MDOT Local Federal Fund Exchange (LFFE) Buyout program and informed the RTF that applications were being accepted until late June. Mr. Schauerte e-mailed applicable RTF agencies details of the application process prior to the meeting.

5.A. REVIEW AND MODIFICATION OF FY 2022 RURAL STL/STP AND TEDF-D FUNDED PROJECTS

Mr. Taylor indicated that six JCDOT projects are being presented to the RTF for approval, as outlined below:

- JN 210343 will be modified to \$294,204.60 HRRR Grant; \$301,005.05 Rural Surface Transportation Program (STP); \$105,198.00 TEDF-D; \$700,407.65 Total.
- JN 211855 will be modified to \$313,613.10 HRRR Grant; \$116,845.55 Rural STP; \$49,541.35 TEDF-D; \$480,000 Total.
- JN 211703 will be modified to \$265,917.60; \$47,282.00 Rural STP; \$36,800.00 Local; \$349,999.60 Total
- JN 206637 will be abandoned
- JN 216633 will be abandoned
- JN 211779 will be modified to \$224,658 HSIP; \$114,345 Rural STP; \$37,667 Local; \$376,670 Total

A motion was made by Mr. Smith, supported by Ms. Daisher, to approve the project changes with modification. The motion carried unanimously.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Guetschow stated that Article II, Paragraph A of the RTF bylaws is written in an unclear manner. Mr. Grab provided an explanation of NFC classifications, specifically rural minor collectors. Mr. Schauerte stated that the bylaws can be placed on the agenda at the next RTF meeting. Mr. Schauerte also stated that the Hillsdale County Road Commission seat is currently vacant and that Mr. Guetschow's seat will soon be vacant once he retires. Mr. Guetschow asked if it was possible for RTF membership to be based on a position (e.g. Manager of Village of Brooklyn), instead of a specific individuals name. Mr. Schauerte indicated that the RTF could amend the bylaws to make that change if it would like. Ms. Daisher requested that Lenawee Transit add a project to purchase garage doors to the Illustrative List, with a federal amount of \$30,000.

A motion was made by Mr. Taylor, supported by Ms. Guetschow, to approve the addition of a project for Lenawee Transit to purchase garage doors for \$30,000 of federal funds. The motion carried unanimously.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were received.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Mr. Schauerte adjourned the meeting at 10:30 AM.

Anton Schauerte
Principal Transportation Planner
7/1/22