

## MINUTES

### JACTS POLICY COMMITTEE

Jackson County Tower Bldg.  
120 W. Michigan Ave. – 5th Floor  
Jackson, MI 49201

**Thursday, January 15, 2026**

**Members Present:** David Herlein, Spring Arbor Township  
Pete Jancek, Blackman Charter Township (Vice-Chair)  
Mike Overton, JCDOT  
Tim Pickett, City of Jackson  
James Shotwell, Jackson County Board of Commissioners (Chair)  
Mike Trudell, Summit Township  
Margie Walz, R2PC Executive Committee  
Troy White, JACTS TAC (Alt.)

**Members Absent:** Heather Bowden, MDOT – Statewide Planning  
Michael Brown, JATA  
Cameron Carr, Jackson County Airport Board  
Jonathan Greene, City of Jackson  
Mike Jester, Leoni Township  
Angela Kline, JACTS TAC  
Dan Wymer, Napoleon Township

**Others Present:** Charlie Briner, JCDOT  
Brett Gatz, Region 2 Planning Commission  
Jacob Hurt, Region 2 Planning Commission  
Kelby Wallace, MDOT – Jackson TSC

ITEM 1            **CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Gatz called the meeting to order at 8:08 a.m. A quorum was present.

ITEM 2            **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comments were received.

ITEM 3            **ELECTION OF 2026 OFFICERS**

Mr. Gatz called for a nomination for Chair and Vice-Chair of the JACTS Policy Committee to serve for calendar year 2026. A motion was made by Mr. Overton, supported by Mr. Jancek, to nominate Steve Shotwell as Chair. A motion was made by Mr. Herlein, supported by Mr. Trudell, to nominate Pete Jancek as Vice-Chair. Both motions carried unanimously.

ITEM 4            **APPROVE MINUTES OF THE POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING OF DECEMBER 18, 2025  
AND RECEIVE THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 10,  
2025**

A motion was made by Mr. Trudell, supported by Ms. Walz, to approve the Policy Committee meeting minutes of December 18, 2025, and receive the Technical Advisory Committee meeting minutes of December 10, 2025, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

**ITEM 5            AGENCY STATUS REPORTS**

Project status updates were presented by the City of Jackson (Mr. White), Jackson County Department of Transportation (Mr. Briner), Michigan Department of Transportation (Mr. Wallace), and Jackson County Airport (Mr. Overton).

**ITEM 6            APPROVAL OF AMENDMENTS TO THE JACTS FY 2026-2029 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)**

The following amendments to the JACTS FY 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) were presented to the committee:

<b>FY</b>	<b>Job #/ Phase</b>	<b>Agency</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Project Description</b>	<b>Federal Budget</b>	<b>State Budget</b>	<b>Local Budget</b>	<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>Amendment Type</b>
2026	216494 NI	JATA	Transit Capital	FY 2026 RTF – Van Purchase	\$52,000	\$13,000	\$0	\$65,000	Phase Abandoned
2026	216559 NI	JATA	Transit Operating	FY 2026 – 5311 Operating	\$42,338	\$42,338	\$0	\$84,676	Phase Budget, Phase Add
2026	225824 PE	MDOT	I-94 W	Install new cantilever freeway sign	\$20,000	\$0	\$0	\$20,000	Phase Add
2026	225824 CON	MDOT	I-94 W	Install new cantilever freeway sign	\$280,000	\$0	\$0	\$280,000	Phase Add

A motion was made by Mr. Jancek, supported by Ms. Walz, to approve the amendments to the JACTS FY 2026-2029 TIP as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

**ITEM 7            OTHER BUSINESS**

Chair Shotwell informed the committee about the Materials Management Plan that is underway, work being done on Mechanic Street, and that the County Parks Plan is available to view on their website.

**ITEM 8            PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comments were received.

**ITEM 9            ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Jancek, supported by Ms. Walz, to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 a.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Brett Gatz, Recording Secretary  
Region 2 Planning Commission