



**Minutes of the
Chippewa-Eau Claire Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Policy Council**
Wednesday, August 27th, 2025, 5:30 p.m.
Held at: Room 405H, Building 2, Banbury Place, 800 Wisconsin Street, Eau Claire, WI

Members Present (6): Gary Spilde – Village of Lake Hallie (Chair), Connie Russell – Eau Claire County (Vice-chair), Matt Biren – City of Altoona, Duane Shoebridge – Chippewa County, Rod Eslinger – Town of Hallie, Alice Drosky – Town of Wheaton

Non-Voting attendees:

Staff Present: Eric Anderson, Edwin Rothrock, Hailee Bushman - Chippewa-Eau Claire MPO, Scott Allen – West Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission

Minutes

1. Chairman Spilde called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.
2. Welcome and Introductions
3. Review and Approval of the minutes of the May 7th, 2025, MPO Policy Council Meeting. Mr. Biren moved to approve; Mr. Eslinger seconded the motion. The motion to approve passed unanimously.
4. The minutes of the August 13th, 2025, MPO Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting were reviewed.
5. Mr. Anderson presented Amendment #9 (Projects) to the Chippewa – Eau Claire MPO Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) 2024-2028. Ms. Russell moved to approve; Mr. Biren seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
6. Mr. Anderson presented the goals, objectives, and strategies and crash data for the Long Range Transportation Plan update. There was discussion about what factors had a role in increasing the number of crashes. Mr. Anderson discussed upcoming steps in the development of the LRTP. There was some discussion of what steps can be taken to mitigate corridors and intersections with high incidences of crashes. There was extended conversations about Clairemont Ave. Staff shared that they have had meetings with WisDOT over the past five years to discuss safety issues along Clairemont Ave.
7. Other Business – There was discussion about the new 15-mile-per-hour speed limit within the City of Eau Claire on all trails for bikes and scooters. Mr. Biren asked about the status of a Safe Routes to School plan for the Altoona School District.
8. The next meeting date was tentatively set for October 8th, 2025.
9. Adjournment – Mr. Biren moved to adjourn the meeting; Mr. Shoebridge seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Russell adjourned the meeting at 6:22 p.m.