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Minutes of the Chippewa-Eau Claire Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Technical Advisory Committee

Meeting held virtually using Zoom, Wednesday, August 14th, 2024, 1:30 p.m.

Members present: Fred Anderson – Chippewa County Highway Department, Taylor Greenwell – City of Altoona Planning, Brandon Cesafsky – City of Chippewa Falls Public Works, Brad Hentschel – City of Chippewa Falls Planning, Ned Noel – City of Eau Claire Planning, Jon Johnson – Eau Claire County Highway Department, Jennifer Meyer - Town of Union, Carolyn Kaiser – Town of Wheaton, Jeff Abboud – WisDOT NW Region

Staff present: Eric Anderson – Director Chippewa-Eau Claire Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), Edwin Rothrock - Chippewa-Eau Claire MPO, Scott Allen – WCWRPC Director

Minutes

1. Mr. Eric Anderson called the meeting to order at 1:32 pm.
2. Introductions were made.
3. The minutes of April 10th, 2024, MPO TAC meeting were approved by all present following a motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Fred Anderson.
4. Mr. Eric Anderson presented Amendment #3 (Projects) to the 2024-2028 Transportation Improvement Plan for the Chippewa-Eau Claire MPO. Mr. Johnson asked about the Capital additions for Eau Claire Transit Capital. Mr. Rothrock said that he thought those were for new transit vehicles. Mr. Abboud pointed out a project that was duplicated and suggested that future projects that can be listed as WisDOT projects use them as the sponsoring entity. A motion to recommend this amendment be adopted by the MPO Policy Council was made by Mr. Greenwell, seconded by Mr. Hentschel, all members present voted “Aye.”
5. Mr. Eric Anderson presented a draft of the 2025 Urban Work Program for review. He discussed the potential projects to be undertaken in 2025. He also shared that the MPO Long-Range Transportation Plan will be updated in 2025 and that task will consume a significant percentage of the capacity the MPO has to pursue other work efforts, limiting new activities throughout the year.
6. Mr. Eric Anderson discussed the MPO’s new capabilities for automated traffic studies related to the MioVision camera system purchased earlier this year. He shared a Turn Count report and a Speed Report that have been completed for the City of Eau Claire. He asked that if any of the MPO members have studies they would like to have completed to give him a call or email.
7. Other Business - Mr. Eric Anderson discussed progress on having signage designating Chippewa Valley Bike Routes installed. Various members updated the group on the progress made with installation. Progress has been steady and should be completed within the next year. Mr. Abboud shared that WisDOT is in the process of hiring a new Regional Planner for the area who will be located in the Eau Claire office. Their start date is in late August.
8. Establish next tentative meeting date as August 14th, 2024.
9. At 2:11 pm, a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Abboud, seconded by Mr. Fred Anderson, and passed by all.