

# Bangor Area Comprehensive Transportation System

## Policy Committee Meeting Minutes

June 25, 2016

Machias Savings Bank

Name	Representing
Rob Kenerson	BACTS
Cindy Meservey	BACTS
Dianne Rice	BACTS
Frank Higgins	City of Brewer
Scott Rollins	Maine Dot
John Theriault	City of Bangor
Darryl Belz	Maine DOT
Barbara Veilleux	Penobscot County
Dana Wardwell	City of Bangor
Linda Johns	City of Brewer
Brett Hart	Sewall
Belle Ryder	Town of Orono
Randall Barrows	Maine DOT

### Approval of Meeting Minutes

Topic	Discussion	Action
<b>Minutes</b>	Frank Higgins called the June 21, 2016 meeting of the Bangor Area Comprehensive Transportation System Policy Committee to order at 9:35 am, at Machias Savings Bank.	<b><i>Belle Ryder made the motion to accept the minutes of May 17, 2016 Policy Committee meeting. Linda Johns seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.</i></b>

### 2016-2019 TIP Amendment 2

Topic	Discussion	Action
	Maine DOT added a project to the STIP that is within the BACTS area. The project will begin at State Street in Brewer and extend northeasterly 15.34 miles. Rob indicated that the amendment had been posted for public comment. The comment period will end Thursday, June 23. There have been no comments to date. Rob asked the Committee to vote on adding the project to the BACTS TIP. Once approved, the amendment will be put on the BACTS website as Amendment 2.	<b><i>Linda Johns approved adding the project to the BACTS TIP, provided no negative comments are received. Belle Ryder seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.</i></b>

	<p>Item number 6 on the Agenda addressed a TIP Right-of-Way modification. The original listing did not show the right-of-way. The modification shows details. There is no change in the budget. This does not need to be put out for public comment, but needs a vote of approval from the Committee.</p> <p>Frank noticed that Project #018646 in Brewer shows Hampden listed as well. This project does not include Hampden.</p>	<p><b><i>Belle Ryder made a motion to approve the modification with the change to remove Hampden from the Brewer Project #018646. Ron Harriman seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.</i></b></p>
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**2019 Work Plan Project Selection**

<b>Topic</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Action</b>
	<p>Rob informed the Committee that the following amount was available for this Work Plan:</p> <p>NHS \$883,300  STP \$896,850  Total: \$1,780,150 (with 80/10/10 split)</p> <p>REH 1 needs PE and Right-of-way first. There is no cost for construction included in this project. It was noted that projects Pres 7 and 12 needed to be switched on the list as Pres 12 has a higher score than Pres 7.</p> <p>Belle Ryder stated that looking at OSI, there appears to be not enough money for any except OSI 4. She asked the group if this was the best use of money. Linda Johns suggested picking OSI 1 as an NHS project.</p> <p>Frank Higgins indicated that it didn't make sense for BACTS to fund REH 1 in Brewer as it will be 2021 before construction can be done. He told the Committee to remove it from the list.</p> <p>Dana Wardwell suggested taking OSI 2 and OSI 3 off the list as the City of Bangor has been working in the area and has most of the work completed.</p> <p>John Theriault asked why Main Street in Bangor was rated higher than Union Street? Dianne explained that the Pavement Condition Rating</p>	



	Maine DOT is applying for an Accelerated Deployment Grant with construction occurring in 2018 or 2019. They are asking for a letter of support from BACTS Policy Committee.	<i>letter of support on behalf of the Policy Committee with his and Frank Higgin's signatures on it. John Theriault seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.</i>
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**Technical Issues**

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<b>Construction Updates</b>	<p>Holden</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Main line mill and fill is completed. The project is scheduled to be completed July 14.</li> </ul> <p>Milford</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The utility work on Route 2 is now completed. The road construction has not started.</li> </ul> <p>Orono</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Stillwater project is mostly complete. The new signal is up and running. The mill and fill will begin on July 19 as night work.</li> </ul> <p>Bangor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work on Hammond Street is still going on.</li> <li>Union Street starts in July.</li> <li>There will be night work from Center Street to Husson Avenue after July 4.</li> </ul> <p>Brewer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work on Parkway South starts next Monday.</li> <li>Eastern Avenue will be closed for work for approximately 3 weeks in late July to August.</li> </ul>	

**Transit Report**

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	The Community Connector has a new public participation plan that has been approved by the City.	

**MDOT Report**

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	<p>Scott Rollins announced that the Record of Decision for I-395 to Route 9 extension should be received any day now. Work will begin on preliminary engineering and right-of-way. Maine DOT will be working with residents who will be impacted. The state is looking for grant options for the project.</p> <p>The ADA plan is in the process of transition. Maine DOT is looking at all areas where there are barriers. They will prioritize the areas and create a plan on how the areas will be addressed. Theresa Savoy is setting up the meeting .</p>	

**Other Business**

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	There was no other business discussed.	

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<b>Adjournment</b>		<i>The meeting was adjourned at 12:04 p.m.</i>