

Bangor Area Comprehensive Transportation System

Policy Committee Meeting Minutes

March 18, 2014 9:30 am

Brewer Auditorium

Name	Representing
Cindy Meservey	BACTS
Rob Kenerson	BACTS
Dianne Rice	BACTS
Don Cooper	BACTS
Dana Wardwell	Bangor
Bob Osborne	Hampden
Belle Ryder	Orono
Frank Higgins	Brewer
Rob Yerxa	Orono
Penny Vaillancourt	Maine DOT
Carlos Pena	FHWA
Linda Johns	Brewer
David Pardia	Penobscot Nation
Art Morgan	Bangor
Shawn Davis	Maine DOT

Call to Order and Minutes Approval

Topic	Discussion	Action
Minutes	<p>Art Morgan called the March 18, 2014 meeting of the Bangor Area Comprehensive Transportation System Policy Committee to order at 9:34 am, at the Brewer Auditorium.</p> <p>Art announced his retirement effective March 28, 2014. Ted Trembley will take his place on the Committee as a member.</p> <p>Rob explained that the election for Chair are normally done in July. He asked if the Committee wanted to wait until then and allow Frank Higgins to fill in as Chair until the election or hold an election now.</p> <p>The Committee decided to allow Frank to fill in as Chair until the normal election in July.</p>	<p><i>Bob Osborne made the motion to accept the minutes of February 18, 2014 Policy Committee meeting. Rob Yerxa seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.</i></p> <p><i>Bob Osborne made the motion to accept the minutes of the special March 4, 2014 Policy/Technical Committee meeting. Rob Yerxa seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.</i></p>

Technical Issues

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<p>Capital Improvement Plan</p>	<p>Most of the Committee members were at the joint meeting on March 4. Dianne has a list of the projects moved forward, and the list is in the minutes from the joint meeting.</p> <p>Dianne announced that Pres 10, City of Bangor project is not a state project. This means Pres 10 will stay on the list and Pres 2 will be dropped from it.</p> <p>Art indicated OSI 2 does not meet the warrants and withdrew the project. Dianne asked if the Committee wanted to add OSI 8? Belle Ryder pointed out that with the amount of money available from withdrawing OSI 2, OSI 8, 4 and 10 can be added to the list.</p>	<p><i>Belle Ryder made a motion to accept the recommendations of the Joint Committee meeting, and direct BACTS staff to move forward with the list. Linda seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.</i></p>
<p>Construction Project Updates</p>	<p>Paul McDonald is working on updating the agreement for the Old Town Stillwater Avenue project.</p> <p>Ice has caused some cracking in the existing pavement, so the company is looking to fix those before putting the final layer of payment on the road.</p> <p>State Street in Brewer is slated for completion in July.</p> <p>Bangor Gas thinks they will be done with their portion of the Wilson Street project by April.</p>	

BACTS FY 2012 Financials and IRS Form 990

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	<p>The financial statements include the portion of FY 2012 that BACTS was on their own. They cover April 1 to June 30, 2013.</p> <p>The next financial statements will be done after June 2014. Donald Higgins will handle the financials again.</p>	

	The office lease for next 12 months will be the same as it was for the previous year.	
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Other Business

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Performance Measures	<p>Don watched a webinar on performance measures. The regulations are out for comment at this time. The targets are set by the DOTs and MPOs.</p> <p>Data will include fatalities and severe injuries per vehicle mile. Some measures will be easy to collect, while others may be more of a challenge.</p> <p>The MPOs will report to the state, who then reports to the federal government. If the targets are not met, there will be sanctions. Don wasn't sure what those might be at this point, but possibly could be through funding.</p> <p>Targets may have to be set low to see where we are. The regulations will be in place by 2015.</p>	
Traffic Incident Management (TIM)	<p>Rob announced that there will be a TIM meeting on Thursday, March 20 from 11:00 to 1:00. Anyone interested is welcome to attend.</p>	
State Transportation Innovation Council (STIC)	<p>Rob was asked to participate in the State Transportation Innovation Council. The goal of the Council is to improve materials and get projects out quicker.</p> <p>A formal announcement will be coming out regarding available funds for states of up to \$100,000. Nation-wide funds are available up to \$1 million. Keep this in mind for any ideas.</p>	
TIGER 6	<p>There is more funding under the TIGER 6 grant program. The minimum for an urban project is \$10 million. EMDC approached Rob about assisting with a couple projects. He will bring information forward to the Committee if/when he hears anything. The deadline for the grant is April 28.</p>	
Project Ride		

Sewall	<p>Dianne is sending out a survey to get available dates for those who will be participating in the project ride in April.</p> <p>Rob will be meeting with John Theriault of Sewall to discuss getting estimates on the projects. The meeting is today at 2:00 p.m.</p>	
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Adjournment

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		<p><i>The meeting was adjourned at 10:23 a.m.</i></p>