WEST MICHIGAN METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING PROGRAM
(WESTPLAN) POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING

MEETING MINUTES
August 15, 2018

I. CALL TO ORDER
Chairperson Roger Bergman called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. Mr. Mulnix took attendance and it was determined that there was a quorum.

ATTENDANCE
A. Members Present
   Roger Bergman, Ottawa County (Chairperson)
   Susie Hughes, MATS (Vice-Chairperson)
   Kim Arter, Laketon Township
   Kay Beecham, City of Norton Shores
   Elmer Hoyle, Ravenna Township
   Rebecca Hopp, Ferrysburg
   Jack Kennedy, Muskegon County Road Commission
   Melissa Klos, City of Roosevelt Park
   Robert Monetza, Harbor Transit
   Bonnie McGlothin, City of Muskegon Heights
   Eric Mullen, MDOT Lansing
   Dennis Scott, City of Grand Haven
   Leon Stille, Crockery Township
   Byron Turnquist, City of Muskegon
   Roger Vanderstelt, Village of Fruitport

B. Members Not Present
   Betty Gajewski, Ottawa County Road Commission
   Bill Mogren, City of North Muskegon
   Tim Todd, City of Montague
   Andrea Dewey, FHWA (Non-Voting)
   Rillastine Wilkins, Muskegon County Commissioner
   Brenda Bourdon, City of Whitehall
   Mark Powers, Village of Spring Lake

C. Others Present
   Laird Schaefer, Citizen
   Steve Redmond, MDOT-Grand Region

D. Staff Present
   Brian Mulnix, WMSRDC
   Amy Haack, WMSRDC

II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES (MAY 16, 2018) – A motion was made to approve the minutes from the May 16, 2018 meeting as submitted. Motion approved. m/s Kennedy/Hughes

III. PUBLIC COMMENT- There was no public comment at this time.
IV. TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM –

Mr. Brian Mulnix reviewed the proposed FY2017-2020 TIP Amendment M that was approved and recommended to the Policy Committee for approval by the WestPlan Technical Committee.

Mr. Mulnix discussed the projects sent to committee members. A motion was made to approve amendment M. Motion approved. m/s Kennedy/Hughes

**FY2017-2020 TIP Amendment M**

*Harbor Transit*

**FY2018**

- 5339 Discretionary for Harbor Transit Operations Center Expansion- Federal $800,000 State $200,000 Total $1,000,000

**Administrative Modifications:**

*Harbor Transit*

**FY2018**

- 5307- 5 replacement buses Federal $548,041 State $137,010 -project list
- 5339- 1 replacement bus Federal $65,210 State $16,303 for State -project list
- CMAQ Marketing Activities $37,500-project list
- CMAQ- 2 replacement buses Federal $248,000 State $62,000 -project list

*MDOT*

**FY2018**

- CMAQ- JOB #127478 EPE Move project from FY 2019 to FY2018-US-31@ at Pierce Street, Winans Street, and 158th Avenue

V. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN UPDATE (ACTION)

Ms. Amy Haack discussed the proposed Public Participation Plan update. Two open house opportunities for public comment were held. No public attended. A motion was made to approve the plan. Motion approved. M/S Kennedy/Hughes

VI. FY2018 UNIFIED WORK PROGRAM (ACTION)

Mr. Mulnix discussed the FY2018 Unified Work Program. MATS is requesting an addition to the funding program for a comprehensive analysis. Motion to approve. Motion carried. M/S Hughes/Kennedy

VII. FY2019 UNIFIED WORK PROGRAM (ACTION) - Mr. Mulnix discussed the FY2019 Unified Work Program. The plan had previously been approved but was found to have the
incorrect funding table. A handout was distributed that was sent by Donna Wittl from MDOT that will replace the current Air Quality language in the FY2019 UWP as well. It was also discussed that during state and federal review there were some minor changes and grammatical errors that would be addressed. Motion to approve changes. Motion carried. **M/S Hughes/Kennedy**

VIII. **NEW BUSINESS** –

a. Mr. Leon Stille asked about the Michigan left project for Winans Rd. and its impact on agricultural traffic. Mr. Steve Redmond noted that in the Holland MPO MDOT had come up engineering solutions for a similar situation.

b. Mr. Brian Mulnix informed the committee about the CMAQ call for projects.

IX. **OLD BUSINESS** – Mr. Laird Schaffer brought up a number of issues previously discussed regarding the US-31 corridor through Grand Haven including left turn at Beacon/Robbins Rd, right turn lane at Jackson, and the proposed US-31 corridor study. Discussion ensued.

X. **MPO ROUNDTABLE** –

a. Ms. Kim Arter suggested the Comments item remain comments and not questioning.

b. Ms. Kay Beecham noted that the City of Norton Shores was celebrating its 50th anniversary.

c. Mr. Steve Redmond spoke about the upcoming TAP funding open house.

d. Ms. Rebecca Hopp informed the committee that Ferrysburg had hired a grants consultant to apply for bridge funding.

e. Mr. Dennis Scott spoke in favor of the US-31 study.

f. Ms. Melissa Klos spoke about the upcoming Roosevelt Park day.

g. Mr. Robert Monetza question about how to find out about the scope of the US-31 study. Mr. Steve Redmond responded that he would find out about the scope and would bring updates to the committee.

XI. **PUBLIC COMMENT** – No public spoken at this time.

XII. **ADJOURNMENT** – Meeting was adjourned at 2:35 p.m.