

**WEST MICHIGAN METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING PROGRAM  
(WESTPLAN)  
TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEETING**

**MEETING MINUTES**

May 2, 2019

**Members Present:** Matt Farrar, Muskegon County (Chairperson)  
Brett Laughlin, OCRC (Vice Chairperson)  
Paul Bouman, MCRC  
Craig Bessinger, City of Ferrysburg  
Derek Gajdos, City of Grand Haven  
Tom Doyle, MDOT Lansing  
Dennis Kent, MDOT Grand Region  
Steve Biesiada, City of Roosevelt Park  
James Murphy, City of Norton Shores  
Marc Fredrickson, MDOT - Muskegon TSC  
Valerie Shultz, MDOT- OPT (Called in)

**Members Absent:** Ben VanHoeven, Village of Spring Lake  
Tony Barnes, Muskegon Urban Township Rep  
Marcia Jeske, Rural Township Rep  
Andrea Dewey, FHWA (Non-Voting)  
James Koens, MATS  
Scott Beishuizen, City of Montague  
Brian Armstrong, City of Whitehall  
Doug Kadzban, City of Muskegon Heights  
Steven Patrick, Harbor Transit  
John Nash, Spring Lake Township  
Leo Evans, City of Muskegon  
Mark Disselkoen, City of North Muskegon  
Wally Delamater, Village of Spring Lake

**Others Present:** Laird Schaefer, Citizen Grand Haven Township

**Staff Present:** Brian Mulnix, WMSRDC  
Amy Haack, WMSRDC

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Farrar called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. Mr. Farrar asked all attending to introduce themselves.

**II. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed. After discussion a motion was made and supported to approve minutes of the March 7, 2019 Technical Committee meeting. Motion approved. *M/S Laughlin/Bessinger*

### **III. PUBLIC COMMENT**

The WestPlan Public Participation Plan procedure was followed to achieve public participation for this meeting. There were no comments from the public.

### **IV. TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

- **FY2017-2020 TIP Amendment P** - Mr. Mulnix spoke on TIP Amendment P - After discussion a motion was made to approve Amendment P and to adjust the GPA thresholds as needed to match the projects. *M/S Bessinger/Gajdos*
- **FY2017-2020 TIP** - Mr. Mulnix gave an update on the FY 2020-2023 TIP.

### **V. MDOT STATEWIDE LONG RANGE PLAN & TRAVEL DEMAND MODEL UPDATE**

- Mr. Dennis presented a PowerPoint discussed the progress of the MDOT Statewide Long Range Plan and the status of the Travel Demand Model. Discussion followed.

### **VI. MPO ROUNDTABLE**

Several local agencies gave updates on current activities.

**VII. NEW BUSINESS** – There was no new business to discuss.

**VIII. OLD BUSINESS** – There was no old business to discuss.

### **IX. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

The WestPlan Public Participation Plan procedure was followed to achieve public participation for this meeting. Mr. Laird Shafer asked the status of funding for the Smiths Bayou Bridge. Mr. Bessinger stated that the City has applied for bridge funding. No member of the public spoke.

**X. ADJOURN**- Meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

