

TPO Executive Board Minutes
June 24, 2015
9:00 a.m.
Small Assembly Room
City/County Building
Knoxville, TN

The Knoxville Regional Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) Executive Board met on June 24, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City/County Building in Knoxville, TN. Mayor Madeline Rogero chaired the meeting and called it to order. It was determined there was a quorum.

*Kathryn Baldwin	City of Oak Ridge, <i>for Mayor Warren Gooch</i>
*Buddy Bradshaw	Mayor, Loudon County
*Dawn Distler	Public Transit Representative
*Terry Frank	Mayor, Anderson County
*John Lamb	Blount County, <i>for Mayor Ed Mitchell</i>
*Ralph McGill	Mayor, Town of Farragut
*Don Mull	Mayor, City of Alcoa
*Jeff Ownby	Sevier County, <i>for Mayor Larry Waters</i>
*Brenda Palmer	Councilwoman, City of Knoxville
*Pat Phillips	City of Loudon, <i>for Mayor Jim Greenway</i>
*Cindy Pionke	Knox County, <i>for Mayor Tim Burchett</i>
*Madeline Rogero	Mayor, City of Knoxville
*Ed Shouse	Knox County Trustee representing East TN Development District
*Tom Taylor	Mayor, City of Maryville
*Nick Weander	State of Tennessee, <i>for Governor Bill Haslam</i>
*Jim Wilburn	City of Lenoir City, <i>for Mayor Tony Aikens</i>
*voting members	

1. Motion to Approve May 27, 2015 Minutes

Item Summary: Approval of May 27, 2015 TPO Executive Board Minutes.

A Motion was made by Mayor Taylor and seconded by Mayor Mull to approve the May 27, 2015 TPO Executive Board Minutes. The Motion carried unanimously.

2. Motion to Approve a Resolution to Amend the FY 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Item Summary: The following are TIP amendments associated with the transit projects to be funded with FTA Section 5310.

Technical Committee recommends approval.

Discussion: Doug Burton referred the Board to Attachment #2, a chart that summarizes the proposed Amendments and corresponds directly with the Resolution and individual TIP sheets. Mr. Burton noted that a total of 10 applications were received. The application review committee, consisting of representatives from the TPO, KAT, ETHRA, TDOT and the ADA Coordinator for the City of Knoxville, has recommended 7 applications for funding. In summary, funding has been recommended for the Knoxville Knox County CAC - Volunteer Assisted Transportation and Blount County CAA Senior Miles programs for operating expenses, and further, has been recommended for vehicle purchases [capital expenses] by Knox County CAC Transit, Emory Valley Center, Loudon County

Office on Ageing, Ridgeview Behavioral Health Services and the Sertoma Center. Of the 3 applications not recommended for funding, one was withdrawn and two were incomplete.

Mr. Burton noted staff will work closely with those 3 agencies during next year's Call-for-Projects. He then reviewed the federal, state and local matches required for each project. Mr. Burton clarified a mathematical error on Attachment #2C: Amendment 2014 -221, noting the correct total project cost is \$365,000.00, not \$390,000.00. All corresponding documents have been corrected. Mr. Burton described ongoing efforts by staff to obtain a commitment from TDOT to provide the match.

A Motion made by Mayor Frank and seconded by Pat Phillips to approve a Resolution to amend the FY 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program. The Motion carried unanimously.

3. First Reading of an Amendment to the TPO Executive Board By-Laws Which Would Add a Voting Member to the Board to Represent the Tennessee County Highway Officials Association.

Item Summary: Legislation that impacts the membership of the TPO Executive Board has passed the Tennessee Senate and House and has been signed by the Governor. The legislation in part mandates that each metropolitan planning organization's policy board shall ensure that: *One (1) voting member who resides within the metropolitan planning organization's boundaries shall be chosen by the Tennessee County Highway Officials Association.*

Discussion: Jeff Welch reviewed the legislation precipitating the addition of a voting member to the TPO Executive Board. There will be a second reading of the Draft By-Laws at the next Board meeting.

A Motion was made by Jeff Ownby and seconded by Councilwoman Palmer to approve on first reading the Draft TPO Executive Board By-Laws as amended. The Motion carried unanimously.

4. Other Business

- Technical Committee meeting Tuesday, July 14, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City/County Building.
- Executive Board meeting Wednesday, July 22, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City/County Building. The July meeting may be cancelled due to lack of Action Items.
- Mr. Welch gave a brief update on federal transportation legislation noting it is again set to expire at the end of July. Congress will need to take action before then to further fund the Highway Trust Fund. State DOTs have been notified that they may begin to not receive federal dollars if Congress cannot act quickly. This may translate into the slowing down of reimbursement payments at local levels.

5. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

6. Adjournment

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned.