



KNOXVILLE REGIONAL

February 22, 2023  
TPO Executive Board

# Draft Minutes

9:00 A.M. | Small Assembly Room

The Knoxville Regional Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) Executive Board met on February 22, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City-County Building. Chair Terry Frank presided and called the meeting to order. It was determined that there was a quorum.

All presentations given during the meeting [are available online](#).

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| *Megan Brooks         | City of Alcoa, <i>for Mayor Clint Abbott</i> |
| *Troy Ebbert          | State of TN, <i>for Governor Lee</i>         |
| *Terry Frank          | Mayor, Anderson County                       |
| *Jeff Harris          | Mayor, City of Loudon                        |
| *Indya Kincannon      | Mayor, City of Knoxville                     |
| *Glenn Jacobs         | Mayor, Knox County                           |
| *Don Walker           | Blount County, <i>for Mayor Ed Mitchell</i>  |
| *Ron Williams         | Mayor, Town of Farragut                      |
| *Isaac Thorne         | Knoxville Area Transit                       |
| *Justin Biggs         | Knox County Trustee, ETDD                    |
| *Courtney Durrett     | Knox County Commissioner, Chair              |
| *James Temple         | Sevier County, <i>for Mayor Larry Waters</i> |
| *Brian Boone          | City of Maryville, <i>for Mayor White</i>    |
| **Matt Meservy        | TDOT Long Range Planning Director            |
| TPO Staff             |  |
| Partner Agency Staff  |  |
| Members of the Public |  |
| *Voting members       |  |
| **non-voting members  |  |
| ***interested parties |  |

## 1 Call to Order

- a. Determination of a Quorum.
- b. Introductions.
- c. Acknowledgement of Zoom participants.
- d. Amendments to the Agenda. There were no amendments.
- e. List of Commonly Used Acronyms attached as Attachment #1.

## 2 Motion to Approve December 21, 2022 TPO Executive Board Minutes

**Item Summary:** Approval of the December 21, 2022 TPO Executive Board Minutes.

***A Motion was made by Mayor Jacobs and seconded by Jeff Harris to approve the December 21, 2022 TPO Executive Board Minutes. The Motion carried unanimously 13-0.***

### **3 Presentation from TDOT Commissioner Butch Eley**

**Item Summary:** TDOT Commissioner Butch Eley gave a presentation on Governor Lee’s Build with Us initiative.

**Discussion:** The Commissioner addressed questions from the Board.

### **4 Election of Officers**

**Presenter** Jeff Welch, TPO Staff/Secretary

The Bylaws state that the Executive Board shall elect a Chair and Vice-Chair from its membership. Such election shall be by a majority vote of that membership. Election of officers shall take place on the first meeting of the calendar year and term of office shall be for two years. Current officers are eligible to serve an additional two-year term.

*A Motion was made by Mayor Williams and seconded by Justin Biggs to re-elect the TPO Executive Board Officers, Mayor Terry Frank, Chair and Mayor Glenn Jacobs, Vice-Chair for a second term. The Motion carried 13-0.*

### **5 Motion to Approve a Resolution Adopting Performance Measure Targets**

**Item Summary:** FHWA regulations require states and MPOs to establish performance targets for three major areas of the roadway system: (PM1) safety, (PM2) pavement/bridge condition, and (PM3) system performance (traffic congestion/environment). Safety performance targets are required to be set on an annual basis while the other performance targets cover a 4-year period that can be adjusted at the mid-point. Once TDOT establishes targets, the MPO has 180 days to either agree to support the state target or to establish specific numeric targets for our region.

**Discussion:** Mike Conger shared information on the Performance Measure Targets.

*A Motion was made by Mayor Jacobs and seconded by Jeff Harris to approve the Performance Measure Targets. The Motion carried 12-0.*

### **6 Urban Area Boundary from the 2020 Census**

**Item Summary:** The Census Bureau updates the official geographic delineation of urban-rural classification following each Decennial Census. Staff will provide information regarding the new urban area boundaries based on the 2020 Census that were recently released. The urban area delineation affects the TPO in multiple ways including establishment of the minimum geography that must be included in the TPO Planning Area Boundary and population-based allocations of federal funding programs through both FHWA and FTA.

**Discussion:** Mike Conger shared a review of the Urban Area Boundary from the 2020 Census.

## **7 Reports from our FHWA and TDOT Partners**

**Item Summary:** Updates from our FHWA and TDOT Partners.

**Discussion:** Matt Meservy, TDOT Long Range Planning Director, shared updates from TDOT to include TDOT Build With Us, Weigh In Motion, the State’s Freight Plan, and a new truck parking project for rest areas in the Region. Sean Santalla gave updates on RAISE grant funding opportunities and SS4A awards.

## **8 Other Business**

- The TPO staff are in the early stages of putting together the FY 2024 & FY 2025 Transportation Planning Work Program (TPWP). If Executive Board members have suggestions for planning studies, please let us know.
- TPO Technical Committee Meeting on Tuesday, March 14, 2023, at 9 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City-County Building
- Executive Board Meeting on Wednesday, March 22, 2023, at 9 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City-County Building

## **9 Public Comment**

Members of the public may address the Executive Board with a five-minute time limitation for each person.

## **10 Adjournment**