Attendees:

Lamont Kiser, Bartow Comm. Dev. Dir.  
Steve Taylor, Bartow County Commissioner  
Tom Sills, CBMPO Transportation Planner  
Al Pallone, City of Emerson  
Peter Olson, Bartow County  
Randy Mannino, City of Cartersville  
Brooke Weaver, Bartow Admin. Tech  
Kaycee Mertz, GDOT  
Phil Peevey, GDOT  
Tommy Sanders, City of Cartersville  
Megan Weiss, GDOT

I. Welcome:

Policy Committee Chairman Peter Olson called the meeting to order.

II. Public Comment Period:

Policy Committee Chairman Peter Olson advised that there would be a Public Comment Period of ten minutes, however no one from the public was in attendance to speak.

III. Approval of Minutes:

Policy Committee Chairman Peter Olson called for a motion of approval of the Policy Committee minutes from May 3, 2017. Randy Mannino made the motion, and Commissioner Steve Taylor seconded the motion for approval. The vote was unanimous for approval.

IV. FY 2018-2021 TIP Update:

Transportation Planner Tom Sills explained that once the LRTP was developed, the TIP was a document that also had to be developed. The TIP is a four year document that is updated annually, with GDOT giving the updates on the projects in the TIP. The CBMPO is tasked with updating the TIP and amending the LRTP as needed. This Draft had been through air quality analysis, the required 30 day review period, and had been approved for final adoption by the Technical Coordinating Committee. TIP changes include projects that were no longer in the TIP due to being let included the Highway 140 widening, Leake Mounds Trail, Highway 113 widening, Bartow Carver Road resurfacing,
and the Lakepoint Parkway Extension. Full information on the GDOT proposed changes are available in the March 13, 2017 Memo from Tom Sills to Lamont Kiser.

At this time, Policy Committee Chairman Peter Olson called for a vote. Kaycee Mertz made a motion for approval, and Commissioner Steve Taylor seconded the motion. The vote to approve the 2018-2021 Final TIP was unanimous.

V. FY 2018 Unified Planning Work Program-Draft:

Transportation Planner Tom Sills advised that each year funds are allocated through the FHWA to the UPWP, and that a Draft version must go through a 30 day public review period. One section of the UPWP that would most likely see changes yearly will be Special Studies. The current proposed studies include a pedestrian needs assessment for SR 140 and SR 41 in Adairsville, a planning-level study for additional Downtown Cartersville Railroad Overpass, and a corridor analysis for North Tennessee Street. More information can be found on the July 27, 2017 Memo from Tom Sills to Policy Committee members. With a current budget of only $10,000.00, the Policy Committee discussed shifting funds to apply more funds to Special Studies.

Chairman Olson called for a vote of approval on the UPWP Draft. Commissioner Steve Taylor made the motion, and Al Pallone seconded the motion. The vote to approve the FY 2018 Unified Planning Work Program Draft was unanimous.

VI. FY 2017 Unified Planning Work Program-Budget Amendment:

Tom Sills advised that for a number of reasons the allocation of funds had to be changed, but that the amendments did not alter the total budget. Changes were required to address the lack of GDOT 5303 funding. Mr. Sills advised that the Policy Committee could vote on the Draft version, but it was still subject to approval pending FHWA comments. Al Pallone made a motion to approve the UPWP Budget amendment, and Randy Mannino seconded the motion. The vote to approve the UPWP Budget Amendment conditional upon FHWA approval was unanimous.

VII. Election of Officers (Chair and Vice-Chair positions):

Tom Sills advised that it was time to elect Chair and Vice-Chairman positions for the Policy Committee. After discussion, Commission Steve Taylor made a motion to re-elect the current Chair and Vice-Chair, Peter Olson and Randy Mannino, respectively. The motion was seconded by Tommy Sanders. The vote to re-elect Peter Olson as the Chairman and Randy Mannino as the Vice-Chairman was unanimous.

VIII. Other Business:

Tom Sills spoke about two upcoming public meetings, the first on August 10, 2017 for the County’s Comprehensive Plan and the other on August 24, 2017 concerning the Rome-Cartersville Development Corridor (PI# 0013238). He also presented renderings for locational signage to direct the public to the county’s river access sites.
IX. **Project Updates:**

Project updates included the Old Alabama Road project moving forward with a Let date of June 18, 2017 and bridge replacements. Further information can be found on the July 2017 Project Status Update sheet.

X. **Adjourn:**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Chairman Peter Olson.