

CARTERSVILLE-BARTOW
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
TECHNICAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE MEETING
JULY 15, 2015 10:00 A.M.

Attendees:

Tom Sills, CBMPO Transportation Planner	Cherie Marsh, GDOT
Wade Wilson, City of Cartersville	Tom Caiafa, GDOT
Randy Gray, Bartow Road Dept.	Kyle Mote, GDOT
Brooke Whorton, Bartow Admin. Tech.	Weldon Dudley, Bartow Transit
Tommy Sanders, City of Cartersville	Valerie Gilreath, Bartow Grants
Julianne Meadows, NWGRC	Peter Olson, Bartow County Administrator
Patricia Burton, Leisure Time Buses	

I. Welcome:

Technical Coordinating Committee Chairman Tommy Sanders called the meeting to Order.

II. Public Comment Period:

Technical Coordinating Committee Chairman Tommy Sanders advised that there would be a public comment period of ten minutes, however there were no members of the general public that had shown up to speak.

III. Approval of Meeting Minutes:

Technical Coordinating Committee Chairman Tommy Sanders called for a motion for approval of the minutes from the TCC Meeting on June 17, 2015. Randy Gray made the motion, and Kyle Mote seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous for approval of the June 17, 2015 Minutes.

IV. Draft UPWP FY16:

Transportation Planner Tom Sills gave an overview of the UPWP Draft that CBMPO Staff has been working on. Mr. Sills advised the Committee that the Draft did not currently contain budget figures, but that these would be included in the Final Draft to be adopted by the Policy Committee at the August, 2015 meeting. The Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) is the first work program of 2016, and is a federally-required document. The CBMPO is tasked with doing in-depth studies to identify areas of concern, and narrowing the Project List down to the most feasible projects. At this time, Tom Sills advised the Committee that he would need their input regarding studies for projects that should be addressed. Tom Sills suggested transit, park and ride lots, and alternate fuel vehicle charging station studies. There was much discussion among Committee members

regarding possible pedestrian studies, trolleys for tourist connection between LakePoint, Avatron and the City of Cartersville, walking paths among major roads, and the debatable need of alternate fuel charging stations. The general consensus was that a pedestrian corridor study would be a better option than the alternate fueling stations.

Transit was also discussed, as the classification has changed from rural to urban and the transit program lost 37% of the rural funding. Transit will be studied to find the best way to use the services, and a different source of funding will be available from urban funds.

At this time, Technical Coordinating Committee Chairman Tommy Sanders called for a motion to approve the ratification of the UPWP to include the following studies: park and ride lots, transit, and pedestrian corridor. Weldon Dudley made the motion, and Cherie Marsh seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous for approval of the ratification of the UPWP.

V. Presentation of Unconstrained Project List for LRTP and TIP:

Transportation Planner Tom Sills presented the financially unconstrained project list which shows all projects with PI numbers in blue. The Network column is for modelers, the phase is also listed if identified. GDOT essentially sets a financial funding limit of \$191,000,000.00 to the CBMPO, and the PC and TCC are tasked with deciding where to spend the money, which projects to fund, and how the list needs to be whittled down. The LRTP is the backbone of the CBMPO, and identifies the federal funding.

Tom Sills asked the Technical Coordinating Committee for their help in identifying projects, and asked them for their feedback by July 24, 2015. Maintenance items could be taken off the list, along with the Third Army Road project.

VI. Transit Funding Status:

The Transit funding was discussed again, as Bartow County has been changed from rural to urban. Urban transit funding figures will be available with the adoption of the LRTP.

VII. Election of Officers:

This being the July meeting, it was time to elect new officers. Technical Coordinating Committee Chairman suggested that the current Vice Chairman and Secretary step up to Chairman and Vice Chairman, and that a new Secretary be voted in. This would bring Pam Madison up to the Chairman, and Will Martin to the Vice Chairman. Discussion was had concerning the election of the Secretary, and Tommy Sanders suggested Wade Wilson for the Secretary. He then made the motion, and Todd Heath seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous for approval of electing Pam Madison as the Chairman, Will Martin as the Vice Chairman, and Wade Wilson as the Secretary of the Technical Coordinating Committee.

VIII. Other Business:

None at this time.

IX. Reports:

- A) Transportation Planner Tom Sills briefly went over the Project Update List, which shows all updates in red. Kyle Mote indicated that there were two changes that needed to be made; PI# 9860 shows a Let Date of November 2016, but will not be funded until 2018. Also, PI# 4918 shows a Let Date of September 2015, but has been delayed approximately six months to January or February 2016.

X. Adjourn:

There being no further business, Technical Coordinating Committee Chairman Tommy Sanders called for the meeting to be adjourned.