

**MINUTES  
WINSTON-SALEM URBAN AREA  
TECHNICAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE (TCC)  
APRIL 16, 2009  
2:00 P.M.  
SECOND FLOOR, CONFERENCE ROOM,  
BRYCE A. STUART MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Pat Ivey, NCDOT  
Margaret Bessette, CCPB  
Cary Gentry, FCEAD  
Greg Turner, City of Winston-Salem  
Brian Ulrich, Town of Kernersville, Alternate  
Greg Errett, WSDOT  
Lakesha Dunbar, Forsyth County, Alternate  
Phillip Vereen, WSTA, Alternate  
Cecil Wood, Town of Lewisville  
Ron Bell, Town of Bermuda Run  
Scott Barrow, City of King, Alternate  
Scott Snow, Town of Walkertown  
Ryan Ross, Town of Midway  
Gary Looper, Village of Clemmons  
Frank James, Town of Rural Hall  
Dan Corder, Village of Tobaccoville  
Amy Litz, Davie County, Alternate  
Andy Bailey – NCDOT (via conference call)

**PRESIDING:** Stan Polanis, Chairman, WSDOT

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Robert Prestwood, City of Winston-Salem Engineering  
Robby Stone, City of Winston-Salem Streets  
Nick Harrell, Town of Kernersville  
Kevin Edwards, WSDOT  
Wendy Miller, WSDOT

**RECORDING SECRETARY:** Laura Whitaker, WSDOT

## **1. Citizen Comments**

No citizens present.

### **Action Items**

## **2. Consideration of the March 19, 2009 Meeting Minutes**

Presented by Stan Polanis.

MOTION: Frank James moved approval.

SECOND: Margaret Bessette

VOTE:

FOR: Unanimous

AGAINST: None

## **3. Consideration of Items Related to Funding under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA), aka Stimulus Funds (Enclosed)**

Presented by Stan Polanis and Pat Ivey.

- a. Review of the March 26, 2009 Special TAC Meeting on the Proposed Use of 100% Federal STP-DA Stimulus Funds
  - b. Review and Discussion of the Required Process for Implementation of Candidate Projects
  - c. Review and Approval of the Recommended List of Transportation Projects
- Stan distributed a Winston-Salem Urban Area Recommended List of Transportation Projects and Back-up Projects for Stimulus Funding and a STP-DA Stimulus Project Management Schedule.
  - At the Special Meeting in March, the TAC of the Winston-Salem Urban Area MPO allocated \$6 million of its \$8.2 million in federal economic stimulus funds to NCDOT to enable NCDOT to undertake I-40 pavement rehabilitation. The MPO retains \$2.2 million in stimulus funds to be allocated to local projects under the call for projects due on March 27, 2009. The TAC recommends that any surplus funds realized by NCDOT from lower than expected bids on Division 9 resurfacing projects (estimated at \$1.2 million) be utilized for resurfacing work in Forsyth County, with first priority being SR 1965 Belews Creek Road and second priority, SR 1611 King-Tobaccoville Road.
  - 51 projects were received for the \$2.2 million in stimulus funding for local projects. Those projects totaled over \$14 million.
  - Projects were selected by reviewing and considering the need and whether or not the project was doable in the allotted time frame.
  - Right-of-way certification is of utmost importance, cost estimates do not include funds to purchase any needed right-of-way.
  - Cost estimates are expected to be under, not over; however, any overage would need to be covered by the municipality.
  - June 26, 2009 is the deadline for the right-of-way confirmation to MPO staff.
  - Lakesha Dunbar will be the contact person for the projects.

MOTION: Frank James moved approval of the list of projects and back-up projects.

SECOND: Margaret Bessette

VOTE:

FOR: Unanimous

AGAINST: None

### **Information Items**

#### **4. Discussion of a Proposed Process to Administer STP-DA Funded Projects**

Presented by Lakesha Dunbar.

- Information distributed in the agenda packet is null and void, new handbook is available.
- Workshop will be held on April 29, 2009 to discuss and review the handbook and discuss stimulus project timelines.
- Stimulus projects and back-up projects should both be moved forward.

#### **5. Review of the North Carolina Metropolitan Mayors Coalition Report on a Modern Funding Formula**

Presented by Stan Polanis.

- The document included in the package contains a good description and quick read of the equity formula's strengths and weaknesses.

#### **6. The Process for Administering JARC and New Freedom Grant Funds**

Presented by Phillip Vereen.

- The Federal Transit Administration has issued a call for projects for the JARC, FTA Section 5316 and New Freedom Funds, FTA Section 5317 for 2009.
- The Winston-Salem Urban Area is eligible for \$151,002 in JARC funding and \$90,487 in New Freedom funding.
- The 30-day process for applications began March 17.
- For the second year in a row, the GDOT will review and select winning proposals for us.
- The Winston-Salem MPO staff conducted a similar review of Greensboro JARC and New Freedom applications last year and will again in May 2009.
- Winston-Salem MPO Staff will appear before the TAC/TCC on May 19, 2009 to announce the winning agencies and request an endorsement of a resolution that lists the winning agencies and recommended funding allocations from both JARC and New Freedom programs.

#### **7. No MPO Staff Reports – Questions for Staff**

- Pat Ivey distributed a NCDOT Transportation Update report.
- Per request, staff will not make reports to save time, unless members have questions/concerns about distributed material.

## **8. Report on the Status of the Requested CMAQ Projects**

### **a. Future Recommendations for Project Funding**

Presented by Greg Errett.

- Greg distributed a Winston-Salem Urban Area MPO CMAQ proposed 'fast-tracked' fully funded projects list and programmed projects in the MTIP list.
- In 2006, it was decided to spread out the available funds versus spending all at once.
- Projects have been approved on the NCDOT staff level; will move forward for Board approval.
- The funds for traffic signal system upgrade were originally going to be paid from STP-DA funding but now will be funded with CMAQ funds.
- For implementation of all projects, a \$2.4 million loss is projected and will have to be discussed as how to handle i.e. advance funds versus 80/20 funds, etc.

## **9. Review of the MPO Calendar of Activities**

Presented by Greg Errett.

- Next meeting will be held May 21, 2009.
- A public meeting will be held on May 12, 2009 regarding the University Parkway at 20<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge replacement project.

## **10. Other Business/Adjourn Meeting**

ADJOURNMENT 2:48 pm