

La Crosse Area Planning Committee

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LA CROSSE AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE MINUTES OF MARCH 20, 2024 Held in person and via Microsoft Teams

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Patrick Barlow, Stan Hauser, Barb Jansen, Monica Kruse, Kim Smith, Bob Stupi, Steve Elsen, Mike Poellinger, Dan Kapanke, Scott Schumacher
MEMBERS EXCUSED:	Tim Candahl, Dan Kapanke
OTHERS PRESENT:	Erin Klar (Recorder), Brad W., Gavin (Tribune), Larry Kirch, Chelsea Bolden, Nikki Kvam, Jenna Dinkel, Kathleen Stewart, Jane Klekamp, Erin Duffer, Bob Gollnik, Justin Scott

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Patrick Barlow called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was called.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 17, 2024 LAPC MEETING

MOTION by Poellinger/Hauser to approve the minutes of the January 17, 2024 La Crosse Area Planning Committee meeting. **Motion carried unanimously; two excused (Candahl, Kapanke).**

PRESENTATION: WISDOT RAIL CORRIDOR PEDESTRIAN CROSSING STUDY

Justin Scott from SRF Consulting presented on the Bicycle/Pedestrian Railroad Crossing Safety Action Plan. Focus group in La Crosse on April 3rd from 9 to 10 am.

APPROVAL OF 2024-2027 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP AMENDMENT) – Resolution 2-24

the La Crosse Area Planning Committee approved the 2024-2027 TIP on November 15, 2023. One project has been added to the TIP Project: 243-24-015 Town of Shelby, Losey Boulevard (BNSF RR Xing 079827S), Geometric Improvements, Design Anticipated in 2024, Construction Not Currently Scheduled or Obligated. Since adoption of the TIP Document, page 26, Table 12, Public Transit Safety Plan (PTASP) has been updated to include 2024 targets for La Crosse MTU and the Onalaska Shared Ride.

MOTION by Poellinger/Stupi to approve. **Motion carried unanimously; two excused** (Candahl, Kapanke).

SS4A APPLICATION OVERVIEW AND APPROVAL

There is a grant that the MPO would like to apply for regarding Safe Streets and Roads for All. There will be a 20% match required from MPO. **MOTION** by Poellinger/Hauser to approve. **Motion carried unanimously; two excused (Candahl, Kapanke).**



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DIRECTORS REPORT

- **Update of Dues Letter** Letters requesting dues will be going out shortly. Will be sent the Town and Village Clerks.
- **Metropolitan Transportation Plan Update** Since last meeting met with UWL staff and professors looking at new ways to reach the public.
- **Town of Medary Comprehensive Plan** Assisting Medary in completing their comprehensive plan. Have created an online and in person survey.
- **Miovision Update** Equipment has been received and tested.
- AARP Grant Town of Onalaska To expand Driftlink service to Town of Onalaska.
- **Operation Lifesaver Event Fall 2024 –** Planning a fall event to promote safety. Open to any ideas.
- **STP Urban Funds** Additional funds were granted to the MPO. Used to fund two additional projects.

STAFF REPORT

- **WI Statewide MPO Workgroup** Erin Duffer to be part of a statewide MPO workgroup.
- Bluffland Coalition Goals and Visioning Group is looking to update their plan, currently working on goals and visioning.
- **Performance Measures and Analysis** Looking for better ways to keep tabs on the safety measures and greenhouse gas measures.
- WisDOT's La Crosse Corridor Study Hwy 35 Ongoing public engagement and local stakeholder meetings for how to move forward.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- MTP Update
- TIP Document Amendment

MEMBER UPDATES OR REQUESTS- no updates.

NEXT MEETING DATE: Wednesday, May 15, 2024 at 4:30 p.m.

MOTION by Poellinger/Elsen to adjourn the meeting at 5:13 p.m. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Disclaimer: The above minutes may be approved, amended or corrected at the next committee meeting. Recorded by Erin Klar