



Land of Sky Rural Planning Organization
Technical Advisory Committee Minutes – March 18, 2015

Attendees:

David Brown
Jason Chappell (ph)
Vicki Eastland
Ed Green

Charles Landreth (ph)
Brendan Merithew
Brownie Newman
Lawrence Ponder

Kristina Solberg
Michael Sorrells
Tristan Winkler

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Brownie Newman called the meeting to order and welcomed attendees. He read the Ethics Statement, asked if there were any conflicts, and members responded that there were none. He then reviewed the Agenda and no modifications were proposed.

CONSENT AGENDA

Lawrence Ponder motioned to approve the minutes from February 5th, Michael Sorrells seconded, and as all were in favor, the minutes were then approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The public comment period was opened, and as there were none at this time, nor through Facebook or email, the public comment period was closed.

BUSINESS

RPO Draft 2015-2016 PWP: Vicki Eastland highlighted the RPO Draft 2015-2016 PWP and added that DOT has approved this, and at the TCC meeting it was approved pending TAC approval. Brownie Newman asked if there were any questions and none were brought forth.

Michael Sorrells motioned to approve the RPO Draft 2015-2016 PWP, Lawrence Ponder seconded, and as all were in favor, the motion carried.

Five-Year Planning Calendar: Vicki Eastland pointed out the various columns from the Calendar and asked if any questions and none were presented.

Jason Chappell motioned to approve the Five-Year Planning Calendar, Michael Sorrells seconded, and as all were in favor, the motioned carried.

LOSRPO Bike/Ped Project Submission Form: Vicki Eastland reviewed the form and that the TCC had suggested adding a contact section which was subsequently included.

Town of Marshall Pop Up Bike Corral Presentation: Vicki Eastland reviewed the survey process and the results which are available from the website. Results included heavy 251 use to Marshall and also indicated a need for additional, visible bike racks and that

there should be other locations to hold a similar Pop Up Corral. David Brown asked about funding and Vicki Eastland responded that there is \$1,000 grant from the BR Bike Club to purchase a new rack that the town will be applying for, relocate the old ones, and an encroachment agreement with NCDOT will be needed.

REGULAR UPDATES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Kristina Solberg provided Division 13 updates and Ed Green provided Division 14 updates.
- Brendan Merithew presented TPB updates regarding the CTP timeline.
- Legislative updates included gas tax options not yet passed, and potential TAP funding set aside.
- CPTHSTP is updated every five years, this time in combination with MPO because both the MPO and RPO serve the same counties. This is the opportunity for counties to identify their transit projects in an attempt to obtain funding.

With no further discussion, the meeting adjourned.