



CPC Governance Board

Minutes

September 17, 2008

7:00 – 9:00 pm

Round Lake Police/Public Works Building

SE Corner Townline & Bacon Road

Round Lake, IL

I. Pledge of Allegiance

II. Roll Call

County Board Members:

- Suzi Schmidt, County Board Chairman
- Larry Leafblad, District #6
- Terese Douglas, District #11
- Bonnie Thomson Carter, District #5
- Diana O'Kelly, District #10

Municipalities:

- Mayor Tim Perry, Grayslake (Trustee Shawn Vogel was present, but is not currently a voting member)
- Mayor Burnell Russell, Volo
- Mayor Jean McCue, Round Lake Park
- Mayor Ted Mueller, Hainesville
- Mayor Richard Hyde, Waukegan
- Mayor Bill Gentes, Round Lake (Trustee Dale Multerer was present, but is not currently a voting member)
- Mayor Salvatore Saccomanno, Wauconda
- Trustee Ed Sullivan, Mundelein
- Mayor Kristina Kovarik, Gurnee
- Mayor Jeffrey Harger, Libertyville
- Mayor Virginia Povidis/Robert Koehl, Trustee, Lakemoor

LCP Staff:

- Dave Young, President
- Russell Medley, Marketing & Research Director

LCDOT Project Manager:

- Chuck Gleason

Task Force Chairs:

- Marty Buehler, Technical Task Force Chair
- Mike Warner, Environmental/Stormwater Task Force Chair

- Dennis Sandquist, Land Use/Economic Development and Municipal Impacts Task Force Chair
- David Motley, Public Information Task Force Acting Chair

IDOT Representative:

- Peter Harmet, Bureau Chief – Programming

Consultants:

- Chuck Stenzel, TranSystems
- Jeff Hall, TranSystems

III. Approval of June 11, 2008 CPC Governance Board Minutes

MOTION BY: Mueller

SECOND BY: Saccomanno

DISCUSSION: none

ACTION: carries

IV. ADD-TO AGENDA – DIANA O’KELLY – none

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jill Lawless, 1178 Prairie Trail, Grayslake, stated that she is against the 6 lane alternative and requested that the CPC carefully consider the other options, specifically, the options that may be more environmentally sensitive and economically sound.

Member Douglas read an email that was sent to her from John Duffy of 1141 Indian Grass Lane. His opinion is to improve existing Route 120 before building any new roads.

Cheryl Doros of Grayslake, stated that she was appalled at the cost that has been spent on the project and that the Board should consider improving the existing Route 120 by choosing an option that does not disrupt undisturbed land.

Bill Holleman questioned where the estimated 1-2 billion is to appear from.

Evan Craig of the Local Sierra Club said that after reading the Environmental Report, he was astonished at the reported barriers which should be seen as opportunities. He encouraged further study of alternative 1, the No-Build scenario which will also be of the least impact to the environment.

VI. CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS – DIANA O'KELLY

6.1 MOTION: To accept the Village of Lakemoor's Resolution to join the Route 120 CPC and to nominate and elect Mayor Virginia Povidas of the Village of Lakemoor to serve on the Route 120 CPC Governance Board.

MOTION BY: Schmidt

SECOND BY: McCue

DISCUSSION: none

ACTION: carries

6.2 MOTION: To accept the resignation of Sherry Hartnett as the Chair of the Public Information Task Force.

MOTION BY: Kovarik

SECOND BY: Saccomanno

DISCUSSION: none

ACTION: carries

6.3 MOTION: To nominate and elect David Motley to fill the vacant Chair of the Public Information Task Force created by Sherry Hartnett's resignation.

MOTION BY: Schmidt

SECOND BY: Leafblad

DISCUSSION: none

ACTION: carries

VII. FISCAL AGENT'S REPORT – CHUCK GLEASON

A financial breakdown of the expenditures to date was presented to the Board prior to the meeting and Mr. Gleason answered questions from the Board.

Member Sullivan questioned the revenues and grant that were reported; Mr. Gleason answered the question, in addition, he explained the compensation procedure – the consultant bills Lake County, Lake County sends an invoice to the State, the State pays the County's invoice. then the County is able to pay the consultant.

VII. UPCOMING BY-LAW CHANGES – MARTY BUEHLER

Mr. Buehler provided some background information on the Bylaws and the function of the now dissolved Steering Council. The guiding purposes and function of the former Steering Council will now be transferred to the Technical Task Force. No action was required as the draft By-Laws were presented as a notice for action at next month's meeting.

IX. PROJECT HISTORY AND PURPOSE – MARTY BUEHLER

Mr. Buehler gave a Powerpoint presentation of an overview of the project history and purpose.

X. IL Route 120 Feasibility Study's Project Team Report – Chuck Gleason

10.1 Public Involvement Task Force Activities – David Motley

The last meeting was in February, the next meeting will involve the plan of action for getting the word out for the next public meeting.

10.2 Environmental/Stormwater Task Force Activities – Mike Warner

The last meeting was in August and the topic of termini was discussed, but is a subject that will be examined later in the process.

10.3 Land Use Task Force Activities – Dennis Sandquist

The last meeting was in June and since the CPC approved the Land Use Vision, no other meeting has been required.

10.4 Technical Task Force Activities – Marty Buehler

At the last meeting, the topic of the easterly-westerly termini was discussed as well as discussion of the topics on this agenda.

XI. PROPOSED ELIMINATION OF TWO ALTERNATIVES THAT DO NOT MEET PURPOSE AND NEED STATEMENT – JEFF HALL

Mr. Hall started the Powerpoint presentation depicting the Approach and stated that since the CPC approved the Land Use Vision, the next action needed was choosing the road character so that the road placement can be determined. To meet the requirements of the FHWA and IDOT, the Purpose and Need Statement must be met for the preferred alternative.

11.1 FHWA/IDOT coordination

A locally preferred plan that is technically and politically feasible must be provided to the FHWA and IDOT for their consideration.

11.2 Relevant Decision Matrix Results

The main (relevant) categories of the Purpose and Need Criteria - system linkage, continuity, capacity, design deficiencies, and safety were depicted in the chart that was presented. Red means an item is not being met; green means that an item is being met.

The Purpose and Need Decision Matrix results were presented.

A question was asked as to whether the CPC's chosen alternative would influence IDOT's consideration since IDOT is to place all alternatives on the table. Mr. Harmet confirmed that IDOT would consider all alternatives.

Alternative 1

Alternative 1 does not meet any of the criteria and does not meet the Purpose and Need. Members Douglas and Sullivan questioned whether the alternatives would be judged upon the 26 points that encompass the full Purpose and Need Criteria. Mr. Hall and Mr. Buehler explained to the Board that the recommended eliminations were based on the purpose and need statement categories, if the alternatives in question fail at these thresholds, the recommendation is to not study them further.

MOTION: Motion to Approve Elimination of Alternate 1, No-Build

MOTION BY: Sullivan

SECOND BY: Saccomanno

DISCUSSION: none

ACTION: carries

Alternative 2

Alternative 2 does not meet the criteria for capacity, design, and continuity; therefore it does not meet the Purpose and Need. The traffic at intersections does not meet a reasonable level of service. There are many delays. Design deficiencies – safety needs are met; railroad crossings would not be improved.

It was asked whether there is a possibility to have a combination of design elements and Mr. Hall stated that there is as depicted in the other alternatives.

It was asked if the numbers exist as to the amount of properties that will be affected by the right of way required and Mr. Hall stated that those numbers have not yet been tallied.

A statement was made in regards to the economic impact that a bypass would have on the smaller towns. Mr. Hall indicated that people using the bypass would get off at Almond, Route 45 or other connections further west. The existing roadway would remain as a local road, in addition, a bypass would minimize the through traffic on the existing roadway.

Member Mueller asked that a roll call motion be taken, the Vice Chair agreed.

MOTION: Motion to Approve Elimination of Alternate 2, Widen existing Route 120 to 4 lanes
MOTION BY: Leafblad
SECOND BY: Saccomanno
DISCUSSION: none
ROLL CALL: 9 ayes, 1 nay
ACTION: carries

XII. PROJECT SCHEDULE
12.1 November Public Open House

Mr. Hall provided an overview of the project schedule:

- At the October 8 meeting, the goal is to approve the bylaw changes, the remaining alternatives will be compared to the 26 criteria of the decision matrix.
- The results will be presented to the CPC and the feedback of the CPC will be requested so that those results can be presented at the open house.
- Samples of exhibits will also be presented to the CPC of what will be presented at the open house in which, locations where public input has been and gathered will be highlighted on the original proposed bypass alignment as areas to be studied later in road placement alternatives.
- Feedback from the public will be gathered at the open house and together with the CPC's feedback, the CPC can make a decision on the locally preferred road character option at the December meeting.
- In March of 2009, the road placement alternatives will be presented and decided upon.

XIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS (on agenda items)

Dr. William Holleman spoke about statistics and that the numbers should be of a confidence level. He questioned the reality of the numbers presented and as to how they can be considered red (does not meet the Purpose and Need) or green (meets the Purpose and Need). How were those numbers determined? Decisions must be made on real numbers, not statistics.

Evan Craig said that there are too many uncertainties to determine what would be the reality by year 2030. He stated that Alternative 2 should not have been penalized for being 4 lanes, since other options with 4 lanes were not penalized.

Cheryl Doros thanked Trustee Sullivan for his comments on feasibility and requested that the CPC reconsider option 2.

XIV. NEXT MEETING DATE – October 8, 2008

14.1 Approve By-Law Changes

14.2 Decision Matrix Data Results on all Character Alternatives

14.3 Public Open House Information

XV. MOTION: To Adjourn at 9:05 p.m.

MOTION BY: Schmidt

SECONDED BY: Mueller

Prepared by Martha Koechig