

**MIAMI VALLEY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
JANUARY 8, 2015  
MINUTES**

**Members/Voting Alternates**

Richard Barnhart, City of West Carrollton  
Doug Barry, Miami Township  
John Beals, City of Centerville  
Michael Beamish, City of Troy  
Rebecca Benna, Five Rivers Metro Parks  
Dale Berry, Washington Township  
Janet Bly, Miami Conservancy District  
John Bruns, City of Union  
Richard Church, City of Miamisburg  
Judy Dodge, Montgomery County  
Mark Donaghy, Greater Dayton RTA  
Elmer Dudas, City of Springboro  
Andrew Fluegemann, ODOT District 8  
Georgeann Godsey, Harrison Township  
Carol Graff, Beaver Creek Township  
Michael Gray, Time Warner Cable  
Arthur Haddad, Troy Chamber of Commerce  
Rap Hankins, City of Trotwood  
Matthew Joseph, City of Dayton  
Dan Kirkpatrick, City of Fairborn  
Chris Mucher, Miami Township  
John O'Brien, Miami County  
Don Patterson, City of Kettering  
Gerald Peters, Perry Township  
Greg Rogers, Miami Township  
Amy Schrimpf, Dayton Development Coalition  
Greg Shackelford, City of Vandalia

Regan Snider, Miami County Transit  
Richard Splawinski, Mont. Co. Engineer's  
Robert Stallman, DPL, Inc.  
Woodrow Stroud, Greene County Transit  
Janis Vargo, City of Huber Heights  
Deborah Wallace, City of Beavercreek

**Other Alternates/Guests**

Olivia Barrow, Dayton Business Journal  
Judy Blankenship, City of Huber Heights  
Tim Eggleston, Tipp City  
Richard Henry, LWV  
Patrick Titterington, City of Troy  
Fred Vogel, ODOT  
Ben Wiltheiss, ODOT  
John Yung, Village of Yellow Springs

**Staff Present**

Paul Arnold  
Ann Burns  
Tim Gilliland  
Laura Henry  
Martin Kim  
Matt Lindsay  
Laura Loges  
Mike Lucas  
Brian Martin

**I. INTRODUCTION**

Chair Vargo called the meeting to order. Self-introductions were made. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**II. APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 4, 2014 MEETING MINUTES**

Mr. Church made a motion to approve minutes. Mr. Berry seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**III. Public Comment Period on Action Items**

None

#### **IV. MPO (METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION) ACTION ITEMS**

##### **A. Appointment of Nominating Committee**

Chair Vargo explained the annual requirement for the Board of Directors to appoint a nominating committee to elect officers for the new year. She stated that the following members have agreed to serve on the committee:

- Judy Dodge – Montgomery County
- Woody Stroud – Greene County
- Michael Beamish – Miami County

Chair Vargo stated that a memo will be distributed by e-mail later in the month to the Board members regarding the nominations for 2015-2016 MVRPC Officers, providing instruction on submitting a nomination.

##### **B. Adoption of Amendment to MVRPC's SFY2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**

Mr. Arnold referred to a memo on page 5 of the mailout explaining that numerous modifications to the programming documents for various projects has resulted in the need for a TIP amendment. He referred to the project tables for each county as well as the areawide projects. Mr. Arnold stated that staff as well as TAC does recommend adoption of this TIP amendment, and referred to a resolution on page 28 of the mailout. Ms. Graff made a motion to recommend adoption. Mr. Joseph seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **V. INFORMATION ITEMS**

##### **A. MVRPC Capital Funding Program Update**

Mr. Arnold provided an update regarding the Capital Funding Program. With the increased flexibility given to the Executive Director, numerous actions to reduce carryover have been implemented, and were reviewed by Mr. Arnold. He also reviewed a chart which explained carryover estimates for MVRPC through 2019, as well as an additional graph illustrating MVRPC carryover –vs- carryover allowed. Mr. Arnold stated that staff will continue to monitor the status of these funds and keep them up to date. Ms. Wallace, Chair Vargo and others thanked the staff for quickly addressing the carryover problem.

##### **B. Rideshare Program/Info on Prius winner/update on current vanpools.**

Ms. Loges provided an update on the MVRPC Vanpool program. She reported that MVRPC coordinates the program with 2 recognized vanpool providers; VPSI and Enterprise Vanpool, and MVRPC provides a \$500 monthly subsidy towards the monthly lease rate for each vanpool. At the end of 2014, there were 29 active vanpools, and of those 20, 11 have used their full 36 months of subsidy, but are still operating as a vanpool do to the overall cost-savings benefits of sharing the ride. Ms. Loges explained that MVRPC has applied for an additional \$560,854 in CMAQ funds in order to continue offering subsidies to new vanpools, noting that these subsidies are eligible at 100% and does not require a 20% match. She reported that application recently received approval from the Ohio Statewide Urban CMAQ committee, and funding will be available July 1, 2017, or sooner if CMAQ projects are delayed.

Ms. Loges also provided a summary of the recent RIDESHARE program 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary sweepstakes. She explained that MVRPC and Clark County-Springfield TCC teamed up with Voss Toyota in Beavercreek for this sweepstakes. Voss Toyota donated a 2015 Toyota Prius that was given away to one winner in December. Ms. Loges provided the details of the sweepstakes, which was administered by Time Warner Cable Advertising. These specifics included the number of entries received, and a breakdown of entries by residence and age. Ms. Loges also reviewed the results of the 5 questions included in the entry forms as an optional survey. She also shared a video of actual awarding of the Toyota Prius which took place on Saturday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at Voss Toyota.

### **C. Dayton Inspires Campaign**

Ms. Barrow presented information on the regional marketing campaign, "Dayton Inspires." The effort is being led by volunteers from UpDayton, a non-profit whose mission is to attract and retain young talent in the Dayton region. Ms. Barrow explained how the "Dayton Inspires" mission is to shift the perception of the Dayton region and inspire people to proudly call Dayton home. The project is using marketing tactics on social media and distributing stickers, t-shirts and other paraphernalia with the "Dayton Inspires" logo. Ms. Barrow closed with a call for support from members to become an advocate for the Dayton region, participate in the social media campaigns, and/or provide funding. Mr. Joseph felt this was a great regional effort and encouraged others to participate. Chair Vargo noted that other communities and organizations may be interested in this presentation. Mr. Kirkpatrick asked if there has been much involvement from the area universities. Ms. Barrow said there has not, but welcomed the suggestions. Ms. Vargo suggested the presentation could be made available to anyone interested.

## **VI. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Mr. Martin thanked Ms. Barrow for her presentation, noting this was another successful aspect that captured the hard work of Going Places.

Mr. Martin referred to a handout which provided his Executive Director's report for January. He explained recent activity regarding Federal and State Transportation Budget actions. He also reported that MVRPC was very successful in obtaining \$9.9 million in CMAQ funding, which secured funds for the 9 CMAQ projects approved by the Board last March. His report also included a list of upcoming MVRPC meetings. Mr. Haddad noted the importance of indexing and increasing the Federal Gas Tax.

## **VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Haddad made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Patterson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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Brian O. Martin, AICP  
Executive Director

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Janis Vargo, Chairperson

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Date