

**MIAMI VALLEY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
JUNE 2, 2016
MINUTES**

Members/Voting Alternates

John Beals, City of Centerville
Michael Beamish, City of Troy
Rebecca Benná, Five Rivers Metro Parks
Katelyn Berbach, City of Tipp City
Dale Berry, Washington Township
Janet Bly, Miami Conservancy District
John Bruns, City of Union
Dale Church, Village of Jamestown
Georgene Dawson, DPL Inc.
Christopher Day, Preble County
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
Paul Gruner, Montgomery Co. Engineer
Arthur Haddad, Troy Chamber of Commerce
Jerome Hirt, Bethel Township
Mary Johnson, Jefferson Township
Dan Kirkpatrick, City of Fairborn
Sonny Lewis, City of Franklin
Sara Lommatzsch, City of Riverside
Jim McGuire, City of Moraine
Chris Mucher, Miami Township
John O'Brien, Miami County
Matt Parrill, ODOT District 7
Gerald Peters, Perry Township
Amy Schrimpf, Dayton Development Coalition

Arlene Setzer, City of Vandalia
Mehdi Sharzi, Vectren Energy Delivery of Ohio
Woodrow Stroud, Greene County Transit
Charles Vaughn, City of Trotwood
Deborah Wallace, City of Beavercreek
Karen Wintrow, Village of Yellow Springs

Other Alternates/Guests

Rap Hankins, City of Trotwood
Richard Henry, LWV
Dan Hoying, LJB, Inc.
Kathleen Riggs, City of Fairborn
Stefan Spinosa, ODOT D-8
Fred Vogel, ODOT D-7
Joe Vogel, FTC&H
Nick Voisard, American Structurepoint
Jeff Wallace, Parsons Brinckerhoff

Staff Present

Paul Arnold
Ann Burns
Brad Daniel
Kjirsten Frank-Hoppe
Tim Gilliland
Martin Kim
Ben Kohls
Laura Loges
Brian Martin
Rob Shroder
Bob Steinbach
Kathryn Youra Polk

I. INTRODUCTION

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

II. APPROVAL OF MAY 5, 2016 MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Beamish made a motion to approve minutes. Mr. Beals seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD ON ACTION ITEMS

None

V. MPO (METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION) ACTION ITEMS

A. Adoption of Amendment to MVRPC's SFY2016-2019 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 statewide line item projects. Mr. Arnold stated that staff as well as TAC recommends adoption of this TIP amendment, and referred to a resolution on page 40 of the mailout. Mr. Church made a motion to recommend adoption. Ms. Wallace seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

VI. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Going Places Implementation Tools Progress Update

Mr. Kim reported that staff has been providing numerous services to our Members such as Community Planning Support Services, Best Practices Research Services and GIS Services. He stated that the subject for today's briefing is implementation tools for economic development. Mr. Kim provided details for each of the following implementation tools for economic development efforts;

- Tool A – Shared Regional GIS
- Tool B – Data support for the Economic Development Site Selection Database
- Tool E – Project Funding Competitive Analysis

Mr. Kim included a review of the JobsOhio website which provides a tool designed to find the Ohio location that meets specific business needs. The website provides economic, geographic, demographic and other data needed to make an informed decision when selecting a business location. Members were encouraged to keep their JobsOhio information up to date.

Ms. Dawson from DPL noted that JobsOhio was discussing making changes to their site selection database. Ms. Schrimpf stated that MVRPC should contact DDC staff regarding this subject to learn more.

B. Update on Share the Road Initiatives

Ms. Frank Hoppe reminded the Board that "Share the Road" materials, aimed at bicyclists and motorists, were available to the communities to brand and put to their own uses. She also shared the "Tale of the Trails" infographic handout which is newly published this month and tells folks about the great amenities and assets available on our Regional Trail Network. The information was collected as part of the trail survey effort in 2013, so the handout will serve as both a promotional item for upcoming trail events and a recruitment tool for the 2017 survey.

Ms. Frank Hoppe gave a presentation on the Street Smart Pedestrian Safety Campaign, which MVRPC is sponsoring in our region starting this June. The new Street Smart Campaign is meant to reduce the crash rate through increased awareness, encouraging drivers to watch out for pedestrians, and encouraging pedestrians to walk defensively. The "Tired Faces" campaign is adapted from a similar campaign created in the Washington D.C. area. Even though the risks of walking are statistically small, they are significant, and the national pedestrian crash rate is rising by 10% each year.

She explained that the rate of increase is even higher in Ohio, and while 1 percent of crashes involve pedestrians, they are very likely to cause a serious injury or fatality.

Ms. Frank Hoppe stated that the prevalence of crashes that take place in the evening and at night, and particularly in late fall and winter, reinforces the need to wear light colored and reflective clothing and coats. Speed also plays a role in pedestrian-motor vehicle crashes and increases the injury potential exponentially. She explained that many pedestrian fatalities involve alcohol or drugs – either the driver or the walker is under the influence. Many, but not all, fatalities are outside of crosswalks – places where drivers don't expect somebody to be walking. Finally, the health benefits of walking and biking far outweigh the dangers. While fatal accidents make the news, individual deaths from heart disease and diabetes usually don't. As a community, we need to walk and bike more, but we should do it safely.

Mr. Stroud noted that many accidents can occur outside the crosswalk. Ms. Frank Hoppe stated that any intersection should be considered as a crosswalk, even if it is not marked, and people should always walk defensively to assure their own safety. Mr. Vaughn expressed concern that schools and police departments should be aggressive in teaching these safety standards. Some of these programs from the past have been eliminated due to shrinking resources. Ms. Frank Hoppe noted that the Safe Routes to School Program is working on promoting these safety tips.

VI. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Martin referred to his June Executive Director's report. He thanked the staff for their presentations and encouraged everyone to take the handouts that were provided. He also introduced two new summer interns, Rob Shroder and Ben Kohls. Mr. Martin provided an update on the TRAC application schedule. The deadline is June 30, 2016. The report provided a list of reminders under the Street Smart program as well as a list of grants and funding resources. He encouraged those interested to contact staff for assistance. Mr. Martin reported that the Executive Committee conducted his annual review, which is the first of his current 3 year contract. His report also provided a list of upcoming meetings, noting that the July Board meeting is being canceled.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Lommatzsch made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Kirkpatrick seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Brian O. Martin, AICP
Executive Director

Carol Graff
Chairperson

Date