

**MIAMI VALLEY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
MARCH 2, 2017  
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 Benná, Five Rivers Metro Parks  
Katelyn Berbach, City of Tipp City  
Dale Berry, Washington Township  
Janet Bly, Miami Conservancy District  
Steve Boeder, Municipality of Germantown  
John Bruns, City of Union  
Gary Burkholder, City of Brookville  
Michael Busse, Village of Covington  
Sherry Callahan, Municipality of Carlisle  
Randy Chevalley, ODOT District 7  
Richard Church, City of Miamisburg  
Georgene Dawson, DPL Inc.  
Carolyn Destefani, Sugarcreek Township  
Mark Donaghy, Greater Dayton RTA  
Andrew Fluegemann, ODOT District 8  
Bob Glaser, Greene County  
Georgeann Godsey, Harrison Township  
Carol Graff, Beaver Creek Township  
Arthur Haddad, Troy Chamber  
Rap Hankins, City of Trotwood  
Jerome Hirt, Bethel Township  
Matthew Joseph, City of Dayton  
Dan Kirkpatrick, City of Fairborn  
Tony Klepacz, City of Kettering  
Sara Lommatzsch, City of Riverside  
Dale Louderback, City of Xenia  
Roy Mann, Jefferson Township  
Chris Mucher, Miami Township-Greene Co.  
John O'Brien, Miami County  
Matt Parrill, ODOT District 7  
Gerald Peters, Perry Township  
Quincy Pope, City of Trotwood  
Chris Schmiesing, City of Piqua

Amy Schrimpf, Dayton Development Coalition  
David Seagraves, City of Brookville  
Mehdi Sharzi, Vectren Energy Delivery of Ohio  
Gary Shoup, Montgomery Co. Engineer's Office  
Regan Snider, Miami County Transit  
Woodrow Stroud, Greene County Transit  
William Vogt, City of Piqua  
Deborah Wallace, City of Beaver Creek  
Karen Wintrow, Village of Yellow Springs  
Steven Woolf, Clay Township

**Other Alternates/Guests**

Kaye Borchers, Choice One Engineering  
Gary Burkholder, City of Brookville  
Tim Eggleston, Tipp City  
Laura Estandia, Bike Miami Valley  
Richard Henry, LWV  
Lindsay Kieres, Woolpert  
Quincy Pope, City of Trotwood  
Chris Schmiesing, City of Piqua  
Stefan Spinosa, ODOT D-8  
Terri Studebaker, Village of Pleasant Hill  
Patrick Titterington, City of Troy  
Fred Vogel, ODOT  
Joe Vogel, FTSH  
Nick Voisard, American Structurepoint

**Staff Present**

Paul Arnold  
Ann Burns  
Brad Daniel  
Laura Henry  
Kjirsten Frank Hoppe  
Tim Gilliland  
Martin Kim  
Laura Loges  
Brian Martin  
Bob Steinbach

**I. INTRODUCTION**

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

## **II. APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY, 2016 MEETING MINUTES**

Mr. Vogt made a motion to approve minutes. Mr. Hankins seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

## **III. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD ON ACTION ITEMS**

None

## **IV. REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION ITEMS**

### **A. Election of Officers**

#### **1. Report of the Nominating Committee**

Mr. Beamish referred to a memo on page 5 of the mailout reporting that the Nominating Committee met reviewed and evaluated the applications received for all three positions. As a result, the following slate of candidates is unanimously recommended by the Nominating Committee to the Board of Directors for approval:

Carol Graff	Chair
John O'Brien	1st Vice Chair
John Beals	2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair

Chair Graff called for any additional nominations from the floor. There were none. Mr. Beamish moved to close the nominations. Mr. Vogt seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **2. Election of Officers**

Mr. Hirt moved to accept the slate of candidates as presented. Mr. Vogt seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### **B. Approval of Updates to the Facility Planning Area Boundaries**

Mr. Lindsay presented information about boundary updates for six Facility Planning Areas. MVRPC is the designated water quality planning agency for five counties. Under this designation MVRPC performs water quality planning work on behalf of Ohio EPA, including maintenance of the Areawide Water Quality Management Plan (AWQMP). He explained that central to the AWQMP are the Designated Management Agencies (DMA) and the Facility Planning Areas (FPA) for which the DMAs are responsible for detailed planning. Mr. Lindsay stated there are two sets of FPA boundary updates for consideration. The first updates the boundaries between the Beavercreek, Sugarcreek and Eastern Regional FPA along the Indian Ripple Road Corridor in Greene County. The changes were worked out between Greene County Sanitary Engineering and Montgomery County Environmental Services (the DMAs for the affected FPAs). The second set alters the boundaries of the Dayton, Tri-Cities, and Union FPA in the area including and surrounding the Dayton International Airport. These changes were negotiated between the two cities and Tri-Cities Wastewater Authority, the DMAs for these three FPAs.

Mr. Lindsay reported that the Areawide Facility Planning Subcommittee met on January 24 and reviewed both proposed updates, and approved both by consensus. The AFPSC did suggest further updates to the Union FPA be incorporated into the update, which was done and reflected in the proposal presented. Mr. Lindsay presented maps showing the updated boundaries based on the proposals, pending approval.

Mr. Beals questioned why the airport changed the flow to Dayton if Tri-Cities was handling it, and is there some duplication of effort?

Mr. Lindsay clarified that the City of Dayton indicated that they have the capacity for growth, and felt it would be best to redirect the flow for possible future growth at the airport. Mr. Beals asked if the flow from the treatment plant is being monitored for possible algae bloom in the nearby rivers and streams. Mr. Lindsay stated that OEPA closely monitors this, as well as the state, which has recently released a multi-faceted nutrient reduction strategy which includes stricter permit limits. Mr. Hirt asked for clarification of the map, particularly the red line along Dog Leg Road. Mr. Lindsay clarified that the airport is in the green, and reviewed the line that brings the entire airport and surrounding properties owned by the City of Dayton, into the Dayton FPA. Mr. Glaser shared concerns about the high cost of wastewater treatment, and noted the effectiveness of spending dollars on educating the citizens and farmers about reducing the phosphorus content in our streams. Mr. Martin noted that MVRPC recently hosted a meeting with the Cities of Dayton and Union where these negotiations were agreed upon, and was very effective on charting the growth on this issue. Mr. Joseph also thanked Mr. Lindsay for hosting this very successful meeting.

Mr. Beals made a motion to approve. Mr. Joseph seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Lindsay announced an upcoming Stormwater Seminar on March 10<sup>th</sup> at the Goodwill Easter Seals Building. There is also a Roundtable meeting titled "Using Trees to Improve Vacant Lot Management and Control Related Costs". This will be held at MVRPC on Thursday, March 23 at 9:00 a.m. Both of these meetings are free of charge.

#### **IV. 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 11 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. Mr. Arnold stated that staff as well as TAC recommends adoption of this TIP amendment, and referred to a resolution on page 27 of the mailout. Mr. Kirkpatrick made a motion to adopt. Mr. Louderback seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Beals asked for clarification on the Greene US 35 Superstreet project, for year 2019. Mr. Arnold clarified this was fiscal year 2019, which is July, 2018 through June, 2019. Mr. Fluegemann noted that the contract for the Superstreet project is scheduled for October, 2018, and construction would likely begin early 2019. Mr. Beals also questioned the MOT 75 project which would include removal of a "Texas Turnaround". Mr. Glaser explained that it creates a loop under or over a super street, which allows easy off/on access, as well as easy access to nearby business.

##### **B. Approval of CY2016 STP, CMAQ and TA Projects**

Mr. Arnold referred to a memo on page 28 of the mailout as well as project tables for STP, CMAQ and TA projects that are being recommended for funding. He reviewed the 17 STP projects totaling \$19M, 11 CMAQ project totaling \$15.5M and the 7 TA projects totaling \$2.1M. Mr. Arnold explained that upon Board approval, staff will be sending approval letters to project sponsors. The mailout also provided a table showing the projects that are not receiving funding at this time. Mr. Arnold encouraged project sponsors to work closely with their ODOT district representatives.

He also requested that MVRPC be mentioned in any communications or press releases regarding these projects. Also, in an effort to inform the public about what kinds of services MVRPC provides to our member jurisdiction, he suggested that if project sponsors are already intending to provide some temporary signage at the construction site during the duration of the project, that MVRPC's logo be included. Mr. Arnold stated that staff recommends adoption of the resolution on page 39 of the mailout. Mr. Glaser made a motion to approve. Ms. Wallace seconded. The motion carried.

## **I. INFORMATION ITEMS**

### **A. Rideshare Update**

Ms. Loges reviewed details of the RIDESHARE program, which is computer matching software program that links an applicant to others who live, work or attend college near them, free-of-charge. A new logo, tagline and ridematching software will be implemented statewide in June, 2017. She also reviewed how the vanpool program is available on a month-to-month basis for groups of 5 – 15 passengers wanting to vanpool to a worksite destination. Vanpools are eligible to receive \$500 per month in CMAQ subsidy for up to 36 months as an incentive to try vanpooling. Ms. Loges reviewed the Pedal Pals program which also matches commuters who want to bike together to work or school. She also explained how MVRPC works closely with ODOT during major roadway construction projects and conducts extensive outreach alerting motorists to any upcoming reconstruction projects. Ms. Loges shared details of the Drive Less Live More Initiative which encourages residents to use transportation alternatives such as biking, walking, carpooling and transit. MVRPC partners with Five Rivers MetroParks and GDRTA to conduct this program. Staff also coordinates with other agencies such as the Dayton Development Coalition and the Job Center to provide information about the benefits of Rideshare.

### **B. ODOT Transportation Budget**

Mr. Chevalley shared some upcoming vote and testimony dates for the transportation budget, with the Ohio Senate Vote scheduled for March 22. He reviewed several funding facts including Fuel Tax Revenue, Bonding increases, FAST Act Revenue and overall funding. Mr. Chevalley reported how ODOT continues to keep Ohio's economy moving, by spending \$12.5B on over 6,000 projects from 2011 to 2016. The forecast for 2017 & 2018 is to maintain average of \$2B each year on the capital program, which comes to nearly \$16B of investment in our transportation facilities under the 8 years of this administration. He explained one item included in this budget is the use of variable speed limits. These are currently used in school and work zones, but will be now be used more extensively for a smoother and more even traffic flow on urban interstates. Mr. Chevalley explained another method to keep traffic and commerce is hard shoulder running. There will be a pilot project on I-670 in Columbus and will use this extra lane during peak hours as well as dynamic message signs to increase capacity without building lanes. Mr. Chevalley reviewed a list of other budget changes that ODOT is planning. He explained how Ohio is a leader in innovation & technology with the use of autonomous & connected vehicles, smart highways, sensor technologies and drones. Mr. Chevalley shared several projects using transportation technology including a "Smart Corridor" on SR 33 near East Liberty and two "smart highway" projects using TRC at the I-270 Beltway in Columbus and I-90 in Northeast Ohio. He explained how transportation is key to economic growth and with these investments, Ohio can be among the first to benefit.

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

Mr. Martin referred to a handout that provided his March report. The report provided updates on Web Usage for MVRPC, grant and funding resources and a list of future MVRPC meetings. The report featured Brad Daniel, Coordinator of Short Range Programs.

Mr. Martin reported that there is a new video on the website titled "A Guide to MVRPC Meetings" which provides a basic guide about MVRPC and the Board of Director meetings. Later today, staff will be sending an e-mail to all Board members that provides the link to view the video. He also announced that staff was recently notified that MVRPC is the recipient of the American Planning Association's STAR Award for our work with Jefferson Township on their strategic plan. Staff will receive the award at the National APA Conference in May.

Mr. Martin reminded the Board that the Executive Committee caucuses will be held immediately following the meeting.

## **VII. ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Church made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Vogt seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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Brian O. Martin, AICP  
Executive Director

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Carol Graff  
Chairperson