

BAY CITY AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY (BCATS)

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Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 1:15 p.m.

Those Present Were:

Dave Engelhardt, BCATS staff; Eric Sprague, BMTA; Dave Harran, City of Bay City; Jim Lillo, Bay County Road Commission; Adam Rivard, MDOT Bay City TSC; Jim Koenig, MDOT Lansing; Dan Hansford, Essexville; Jay Reithel, MDOT Bay Region; Dirk Westbury, BCATS staff, and; Cyndi Gaul, Secretary, BCATS Staff.

Minutes from February 20, 2013 BCATS Tech Meeting:

It was moved by Hansford, seconded by Sprague, to approve the minutes from the February 20, 2013 meeting. Motion passed.

TIP Amendments (\$926,914):

Engelhardt provided everyone with a handout of TIP Amendment Recommendations based on the additional \$926,914 our MPO received of unspent federal funding balance that has accumulated over numerous year which BCATS must obligate in FY 2013 or the funding would revert to other local agencies statewide. These projects would be included along with the TIP Amendments that were approved at the BCATS February 20th Policy meeting. The projects include bringing North Union Rd from the 2014-17 into 2013 and then use the balance on four (4) different PE Projects that are planned for construction in the next five year. Those include: Madison Ave between Columbus and McKinley, Patterson Ave between Smith and Marquette Ave, Old Kawkawlin Rd between M-13 and State Park Dr, and Woodside Ave between Pine and Scheurmann St. Lillo asked if the \$100,000 threshold regarding special authorization procedures would apply to these PE projects. Discussion ensued. It was determined that in the best interest of the projects moving forward without having to go out to bid, it would be best to use under \$100,000 in funds for any particular PE project. As a result, the Old kawkawlin Rd PE Project would be reduced to PE up to the GI and the remaining funds would be allocated to the next project on the list, which is Patterson Rd between Wheeler Rd and Wilder Rd.

A motion was made by Sprague, seconded by Reithel, to favorably recommend to the BCATS Policy Committee to allocate the additional \$926,914 into the TIP and to approve the TIP Amendments, including the North Union Rd Project and the five (5) PE projects as stated above, with Engelhardt having administrative authority to make any additional required changes or additions of these projects. Engelhardt to also have/retain administrative modification authority to reprogram any bid savings that might occur on the Midland Rd project and/or the North Union project should time allow. Motion Passed.

Other/New Business:

Next MTPA Meeting in Lansing:

Engelhardt discussed the possibility of there being a vote at the March 19, 2013 MTPA Meeting in Lansing about the elimination of the MDOT Category C (Urban Congestion Relief) and D (Rural All-Season Roads) funding. Engelhardt would liked to have the committee's approval to vote to eliminate the Category C & D funding

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should a vote arise at the next MTPA Meeting.

A motion was made by Hansford, seconded by Lillo, to favorably recommend to the BCATS Policy Committee to agree to have Dave Engelhardt vote to eliminate MDOT Category C & D funding on behalf of BCATS. Motion passed.

Project Updates:

The ***Beaver Road Project*** has one easement left and then the job will be ready to go. The ***Flajole Road Project*** may begin in May, 2013. The ***M-13/M-84 Salzburg Ave Project*** should be starting on March 15, 2013.

As there was no other business, the March 13, 2013 meeting was adjourned at 1:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David Engelhardt
BCATS Director

Transcribed by C. Gaul

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