Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 1:34 p.m.

Those Present Were:
Jay Anderson, BCATS Staff; Jim Lillo, Bay County Road Commission; Jay Reithel, MDOT; Eric Sprague, BMTA; Terry Moulitane, City of Bay City; Dennis Bragiel, Kawkawlin Township Supervisor; Ken Malkin, Monitor Township Supervisor; George Augustyniak, Fraser Township Trustee; David Engelhardt/EMCOG, and; Cyndi Gaul, Environmental Affairs and Community Development Department

Introductions were made.

Minutes from February 21, 2018 BCATS Policy Meeting:
It was moved by Bragiel, seconded by Malkin, to approve the minutes from the February 21, 2018 BCATS Policy Committee. Motion passed.

Public Comment:
There was no public comment brought before the committee.

Legislative Update:
There was nothing to report from the state or federal level. Anderson provided an update on JobNet and said that Phase II will be released in July 2018. They are working at getting out the kinks in the original release. JobNet will change the way we do TIP Amendments and Administrative Modifications and should make it faster to process. The biggest changes with JobNet will be for BCATS Staff, BMTA, and MDOT. The MPOs shouldn’t notice a big change in the way things are done. The Transit Candidate List will no longer be used. During the TIP Redesign Process, MDOT and Federal Transit Administration decided to do away with the Transit Candidate List.

EMCOG Report - Governor’s Regional Prosperity Initiative Update:
Engelhardt provided and update on the Governor’s Regional Prosperity Initiative. May 18th will be the due date for grant applications for 2018.

BCATS Public Hearing on 2017-2020 TIP Amendments/Administrative Modifications and Amendment to the FY 2017-2020 TIP Document:
The Public Hearing was called to order at 1:50 p.m. The purpose of the Public Hearing was to discuss changes to the 2017-2020 TIP.

Anderson provided a copy of the amendment being suggested to include language on Performance Measures and Performance Based Planning of Projects for review. In the draft, Chapter Three in the 2017-2020 TIP has been expanded to include language for compliance with the FHWA Metropolitan Planning. This chapter has been expanded to provide detail on the current state of FHWA Performance Measures and the targets that have been set by the MPO. Additional information on target tracking and the use of performance measures for project selection going forward was also included in the amendment. All MPOs must be in compliance by May 27, 2018 in
order to process any future TIP Amendments.

Anderson also provided a handout with the following TIP Amendments/Administrative Modifications that were requested. The following TIP Amendments and Administrative Modifications include:

**MDOT Administrative Modifications:**

1. Increase scope of work from 8 bridges to 9 bridges to the *I-75 Project* (9 Bridges Restoration & Rehabilitation) in FY 2019.

**MDOT Amendments:**

1. Addition of the *Huron & Eastern Railway Company* to Upgrade of flashing light signals project (at East Grove Street) in FY 2018.

The Public Hearing on the TIP Amendments and Administrative Modifications to the BCATS 2017-20 TIP was adjourned at 1:56 p.m.

The regular BCATS Policy Committee Meeting was reconvened at 1:56 p.m.

**Approval of the 2017-2020 TIP Amendments/Administrative Modifications and Amendment to the FY 2017-2020 TIP Document:**

There was a brief discussion regarding the 2017-2010 TIP Amendments/Administrative Modifications.

A motion was made by Malkin, seconded by Moultane, to approve the above BCATS 2017-2020 TIP Amendments/Administrative Modifications and Amendment to the FY 2017-2020 TIP Document including any further comments from MDOT, FHWA, and FTA. Motion Passed.

**2018 MDOT/BCATS/BMTA MOU Chairman Signature:**

Anderson said that the 2018 MOU Document for MDOT/BCATS/MTPA has been through the Bay County Ways and Means Committee and was approved by the Bay County Board of Commissioners at their April 10th meeting. The MOU has been through approval by Corporation Counsel. The BCATS Chair will need to be granted authorization to sign the 2018 MDOT/BCATS/MTPA MOU Document.

A motion was made by Sprague, seconded by Bragiel, to approve that the 2018 MDOT/BCATS/BMTA MOU Document be signed by the BCATS Chair. Motion Passed.

**FY2019 UWP Development:**

Anderson discussed the FY 2019 UWP Development and said that we are close to wrapping it up. He will be sending out a draft copy within the next few weeks. We will be looking for approval of the FY 2019 UWP at the June 2018 BCATS Meeting. It looks like we will have a 2% increase from last year in funding.
Bay City Bridge Update:
Moultane provided an update on the Bay City Bridge issues. There are some balancing issues with the Independence Bridge that need to be taken care of for the opening and closing of the bridge in order to make sure it’s safe. The bridge will be open to shipping traffic on April 21, 2018. The bridge will not be open to car traffic until the balancing issue has been resolved. There has been some discussion about having public input meetings in May so that there can be a decision made about both city owned bridges in June.

Project Updates:
The City of Bay City Trumbull Street Project (Center Ave to Woodside Ave) is going out for plan review April 13th and will have an August 2018 let. The sidewalk ends and utility move will take place this fall with road construction starting in spring of 2019. The City of Bay City Independence Bridge Project construction is completed; however they’re still working on the balancing, and will be open to river traffic April 15th. The City of Bay City Johnson Street Project (Woodside Ave to Water St) will begin July 2018. The City of Bay City Community Center Water Main Project has been awarded. The City of Bay City Kolb School Sidewalk Project will begin in May 2018. The MDOT I-75 Project (M-13 Connector to Beaver Road) is in the plan review. The MDOT Salzburg Road Bridge Project will be let April 2018 to repair the damage from the semi-truck that crashed into the overpass. The BCRC Old Kawkawlin Road Project is ready to start in FY 2019. The BCRC Railroad Crossing Project (at Grove Street) is ready to go out to bid. The BCRC Pine Road Project came in under budget. The BCRC Mackinaw Road Project (Freeland Rd to Delta Rd) came under bid. The BCRC Mackinaw Road Project (US-10 to Midland Rd) came under bid. The BCRC Midland Road Project (4 Mile Rd to Mackinaw Rd) is out to bid. The BCRC Garfield Road Project (Beaver Rd to Siedlers Rd) is out to bid. The BCRC will be conducting a Non-Motorized PASER Collection on local trails this summer with interns. The BMTA Replacement Van Project has been awarded Federal funds (5310 funding) for the replacement of two vans this year.

Other/New Business:

Culvert Pilot Project:
Engelhardt said that there would be a Culvert Pilot Project webinar tomorrow to discuss the addition of $2M to fund projects for culvert inventory across the state.

As there were no further business, a motion was made by Malkin, seconded by Lillo, to adjourn the April 18, 2018 BCATS Policy Committee meeting at 2:41 p.m. Motion Passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Jay Anderson
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