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RPC TAC MEETING

Minutes

June 29, 2017

RPC Conference Room

Members Present: Richard McDermott, Chair, Hampton Falls; Robert Clark, Atkinson; Joan Whitney, Kensington; Tim Moore, Plaistow; Steve Gerrato, Greenland; Ken Christiansen, Brentwood; Juliet Walker, Portsmouth; Richard Hartung, Hampstead; Christina McCarthy, Raymond; Dave Sharples, Exeter; Chris Jacobs, Hampton; Maria Stowell, PDA; Tavis Austin; Stratham; Andre Garron, Salem; and Elizabeth Strachan, NH DES.

Staff Present: Dave Walker, Scott Bogle, Rowden, Christian Matthews and Roxanne Rines, RPC.

Meeting Opened at 9:00 a.m.

1. Introductions

Attendees introduced themselves and stated what municipality they were from or the agency they represented.

2. Minutes of May 25, 2017, TAC Meeting

Motion: **Clark** made a motion to approve the minutes of May 25, 2017, as written. **Shaples** seconded the motion. **Motion carried with 5 abstentions.**

Clark stated he spoke with Bill Cass, NHDOT, about the increase in cost of the Sarah Long Bridge and reviewed that discussion with members.

3. 2017-2020 TIP – Change in Inflation Rate

Walker stated DOT had been using an inflation rate of 3.2%. They have changed that to 2.55%, which affects virtually all of the projects in the TIP. He continued that DOT was supposed to include the RPC's and transit agencies in the process, but did not.

4. MPO Transit Asset Management (TAM) 2018 Performance Targets

Walker explained the performance targets that both the Transit Agencies and the MPO needs to set. There are four: equipment; rolling stock; facilities; and infrastructure. The region does not contain

any relevant infrastructure; therefore, only the first 3 need to be accomplished. He then reviewed each of the 3 targets and how they will be achieved.

Jacobs gave an overview of how the Town of Hampton calculates the usefulness of their town vehicle fleet. Discussion ensued.

Motion: **Sharples** made a motion that staff move forward with the MPO Transit Asset Management 2018 Performance Targets. **Hartung** seconded the motion. **Motion carried.**

5. Long Range Transportation Plan Progress Update

Walker thanked members for their patience, input, comments, missing or incorrect information while reviewing chapters and for their suggestions.

Bogle gave a powerpoint presentation while giving an overview of the draft chapters already sent; chapters still in development; remaining work; implementation and strategies. He reviewed the goals: mobility; transportation choices; land use integration; system preservation; energy & environment; safety & security; economic vitality; resiliency; public health; efficient & effective planning process; and resource availability.

Discussion ensued concerning where corridor studies are needed; freight movement; train speed and noise; using scanners or e-z pass to collect traffic information; bicyclist travel; and tourism. **Bogle** reviewed the timeline for completion and adoption.

Walker reviewed Chapter 5; the four pieces are: 1) fiscal constraint, available funding; 2) short-range project list; 3) long range project list; and 4) estimated project costs. Discussion ensued. **Walker** reviewed the remaining work to be completed.

6. CART Update

Bogle reviewed CART's Triennial Review; grants for funding; municipal funding applications; continuing management restructuring; and revamping CART's oversight procedures with Easter Seals and any other contractors.

8. Project Updates

No handout was available, but staff gave brief updates of ongoing projects.

Meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Roxanne M. Rines
Recording Secretary