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Agenda

MPO Policy Board Meeting Morgantown City Hall Council Chambers November 21, 2013 7:00 PM

- 1. Call To Order
- 2. Public Comment
- 3. Approval of Minutes
- 4. Citizen's Advisory Committee Report
- 5. Finance Report
- 6. Executive Directors Report
 - a) Vanpool project
 - b) Bicycle Plan
 - c) Monongalia County Day in Charleston
 - d) West Virginia MPO Association
- 7. Transportation Improvement Program Amendments and Adjustments
- 8. Items for inclusion in the FY 2014-2015 Unified Planning Work Program
- 9. Meeting Calendar for 2014 and Administrative Activities
- 10. Meeting Adjournment



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Memorandum

Date: November 14, 2013

To: MPO Policy Board Members

From: Bill Austin, AICP

Subject: November 21, 2013 Policy Board Agenda

Please find below a short description of the action items to be considered at the November 21, Policy Board Meeting to be held at the Morgantown City Hall at 7 PM.

- **-Finance Report-**Please find attached a summary of MPO Expenditures and the MPO's request for reimbursement to the State for these expenditures. The MPO began the month with a balance of \$5,359.60 and ended the month with a balance of \$19,802.66. The increased balance reflected the receipt of reimbursements for three months of expenditures.
- **-Transportation Improvement Program Amendment** Please find below a description of a TIP Amendment requested by Mountain Line Transit for the Policy Boards consideration:

FY 2014

AMENDMENT-INCREASE MOUNTAIN LINE-FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATIONI SECTION 5316 JARC OPERATING FUNDING TO \$205,900 FROM \$179,100

FY 2015

AMENDMENT-REDUCE MOUNTAIN LINE-FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION SECTION 5316 JARC OPERATING FUNDS \$179,100

AMENDMENT –REDUCE MOUNTAIN LINE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION SECTION 5317 NEW FREEDOM FUNDS-\$50,000

AMENDMENT-REDUCE MOUNTAIN LINE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION SECTION 5317 NEW FREEDOM FUNDS-\$80,000

FY 2016

AMENDMENT-REDUCE MOUNTAIN LINE-FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION SECTION 5316 JARC OPERATING FUNDS \$179,100

AMENDMENT –REDUCE MOUNTAIN LINE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION SECTION 5317 NEW FREEDOM FUNDS-\$50,000

AMENDMENT-REDUCE MOUNTAIN LINE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION SECTION 5317 NEW FREEDOM FUNDS-\$80,000

FY 2017

AMENDMENT-REDUCE MOUNTAIN LINE-FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION SECTION 5316 JARC OPERATING FUNDS \$179,100

AMENDMENT –REDUCE MOUNTAIN LINE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION SECTION 5317 NEW FREEDOM FUNDS-\$50,000

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As documented in the amendments proposed above Mountain Line anticipates the possibility of losing approximately \$927,300 for the period FY 2015-2017 depending on how Federal funds are allocated under MAP 21. The additional funding in FY 2014 represents the reallocation of unspent funds from programs previously available under the continuing resolutions authorizing SAFETEA-LU. The TTAC and the Citizens Advisory Committee recommended approval of the proposed TIP Amendments.

In addition to the proposed TIP Amendments the Division of Highways has requested the following Administrative Adjustments-

-I-68 Signing Project (Project ACNHG0068133D) revise cost to \$2,273,700 from previous \$2,500,000

Move to FY 2014

- -Mon-Fayette Expressway Park and Ride (Project CMAQ0881003D) Construction
- -West Run Widening (Project HSIP0671005D) Right of Way
- -Decker's Creek Trail Undercut Repair (Project NRT2012672D) Engineering

- **-Items for Inclusion in the MPO's 2014-2015 Unified Planning Work Program** (UPWP)-MPO Staff recently held a retreat with the MPO Policy Board to discuss work to be included in the UPWP for FY 2014-2015. Currently staff time is required for normal MPO operational activities including the traffic count program, the continuation of work on the transportation funding issue, and the vanpool program. In addition to these projects Policy Board members discussed having MPO Staff work on the following projects:
- -Prepare preliminary plans for those projects identified as part of Project 38 of the LRTP as recommended in the LRTP.
- -Developing a Plan for the improvement of Green Bag Road (LRTP Project 18, number two on the MPO Priority List.)
- -Staff collecting additional pedestrian data and working on pedestrian issues.
- -The Citizens Advisory Committee recommended the addition of planning studies for the implementation of the Grant Avenue Bicycle and Pedestrian Connector and the White Park and Caperton Trail Connector.
- -The LRTP also recommended that the State begin a Study of the location of the new bridge over the Monongahela River. It is anticipated that at least a portion of MPO Staff time be allocated to this purpose if the State should move forward with this project.

We would appreciate the Policy Boards review of these projects. MPO Staff will prepare a budget from these items for consideration by the Board at the January meeting.

-Calendar for the Upcoming Year and Administrative Activities-Please find attached a copy of the proposed calendar for MPO Committee meetings for the upcoming year. We would appreciate your review of the calendar for any potential conflicts. The TTAC and the CAC recommended acceptance of the calendar.

Also the Policy Board will need to appoint a Committee to recommend the MPO's Officers for the upcoming year at the November meeting. New MPO Officers will be elected at the January meeting.

We are also providing the Policy Board with a list of appointed MPO Committee members for your information. As you may note there are several vacancies which the appointing agencies may wish to fill in the near future.

The MPO Policy Board members will also be asked to review the Executive Directors performance for the past year at the January meeting. Staff will be providing a form for the review by email shortly. Instructions for completing the review will be included in the transmittal email.

MORGANTOWN MONONGALIA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION October 17, 2013 Minutes

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councilman Wesley Nugent-City of Morgantown, Chairman Joe Statler-Blacksville (late), Brian Carr-WVDOH, Councilman Anthony Giambrone-Star City, Mayor Jennifer Selin-City of Morgantown, Councilperson-Marti Shamberger-City of Morgantown, Randy Hudak-West Virginia University, Mayor Patricia Lewis-Granville, Dave Bruffy-Mountain Line, Mike Kelly-Board of Education

MEMBERS ABSENT: Councilperson Janice Goodwin-City of Westover, Commissioner Eldon Callen-Monongalia County, Commissioner Tom Bloom-Monongalia County,

MPO DIRECTOR: Bill Austin

- **I. CALL TO ORDER**: With a quorum present, Vice-Chair Giambrone called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Vice-Chair asked the Board Members to introduce themselves for Mr. Carr of the Division of Highways who was sitting in for Mr. Keller.
- **II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**: After the introductions Vice-Chair Giambrone introduced the Minutes of the last meeting. Ms. Shamberger moved to accept the August minutes as submitted; seconded by Mr. Nugent. With no discussion, the motion unanimously passed.
- III. PUBLIC COMMENT: None
- IV. FINANCIAL REPORT: Mayor Lewis reported the MPO's August and September activities as follows:

August - Beginning balance \$10,474.59 with expenditures of \$18,794.95 and deposits of \$26,247.60 leaving a balance of \$17,927.24.

August-Beginning balance of \$17,927.24 with expenditures of \$12,695.88 and deposits totaling \$128.24 resulting in a balance of \$5,359.16.

Mayor Lewis recommended approval of the Finance Report.

Mr. Kelly moved for approval of the financial report; seconded by Mr. Carr. With no discussion, the motion unanimously passed.

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS: Mr. Rice, Chair of the CAC, reported that the CAC had reviewed the proposed TIP Amendments and there had been some concern about the Chaplin Hill Road Widening Project and the University Avenue/Collins Ferry Road Intersection Modification Project. He stated that the Citizens Advisory Committee had recommended against approval of these projects since there is a concern that they would not be in compliance with the Long Range Transportation Plan's recommendations for Safe Routes to School and the MPO's and the States Complete Streets Policy. He stated that he had been informed by Mr. Austin that the concerns had been addressed by DOH. Mr. Rice noted that the CAC had unanimously recommended approval of the proposed amendments to the TIP for the PRT and for the WV 100 Slide Repair Project and the US 119 Resurfacing Project.

Mr. Austin noted that he would provide the Policy Board with the information DOH had shared with him during consideration of the TIP Amendments.

VI. DIRECTORS REPORT:

- **a.** Mr. Austin said that he and Mr. Statler have been working with the Chamber of Commerce's Transportation Committee. He noted that the Chamber is planning to hold a Monongalia County Day at the Legislature in January. It is anticipated that transportation will be a key issue presented at this session. Mr.
- **b.** Mr. Austin then noted that MPO Staff has been working with Mountain Lines Mobility Coordinator to revive the vanpool program DOH provided \$50,000 in CMAQ funds to encourage. He stated that they had met with staff from the Pittsburgh transportation demand management effort. This meeting reinforced the need for the effort to promote vanpools more to the general public than the previous effort which had focused on employer assistance in promoting vanpools. Mr. Bruffy commented that Ms. LaNeve, the Mobility Coordinator is working on a wide variety of efforts to more effectively coordinate all forms of transportation in the area in accordance with Mountain Lines recently adopted Mobility Plan.
- c. Mr. Austin then noted that MPO Staff is also working on developing an urban area bicycle plan. The Steering committee for the plan primarily consists of members of the Morgantown Bicycle Board. He stated that the first public meeting in the planning process is preliminarily scheduled for October 29th at Marilla Park from 4:30 until 7:30.

VIII. TIP AMENDMENTS

Mr. Austin stated that the MPO had received several TIP Amendments from WVU for the PRT and from the Division of Highways for Roadway improvements. Mr. Austin asked Mr. Carr to discuss the Highway improvements proposed for the TIP Amendments. Mr. Carr stated that the amendments consist of the following projects

- -Collins Ferry University Avenue Intersection Project-It is requested that this project be approved for programming of a design study in FY 2014 and Right of Way Acquisition and Construction in FY 2015.
- -WV 100 Slide Repair Project-This project is immediately north of the Granville City limits. It is requested that the project be approved for programming in FY 2014.
- -US 119 (Chaplin Hill Road) Project-This project primarily consists of the installation of an additional left turn lane from southbound US 119 onto WV 7 in the proximity of University Town Center. It is requested that the project be approved for programming in FY 2014.
- -US 19 (Grafton Road) Resurfacing Project-The proposed project runs two miles from one half mile north of I-68 south to the vicinity of the S. University Plaza.

Mr. Austin noted that he had been in touch with Mr. Radabaugh of DOH District Four concerning the Citizens Advisory Committee's concerns with the University Avenue Project and the Chaplin Hill Road Widening Project. He said that Mr. Radabaugh had informed him that the DOH was aware of the pedestrian and school issues with the University Avenue Project and that they are prepared to have a public meeting to receive comments on the proposed design prior to constructing the project.

Mr. Austin said that Mr. Radabaugh had also clarified the description of the Chaplin Hill Road Project. The initial description of the project provided to the MPO and the Citizens Advisory Committee had indicated that there would be two left turn lanes installed on southbound Chaplin Hill Road to access west bound WV 7. This construction would require two lanes of to traffic to merge into one lane on WV 7. It was the concern of the CAC that the merge movement would require taking the space needed for cyclists to use WV 7. Mr. Austin stated that Mr. Radabaugh had clarified the project description stating that the DOH was planning to add the lane as a through travel lane instead of as a turn lane. This would allow the extension of the existing turning lane further back through the existing through lane to provide the capacity needed for this movement at the intersection. This configuration of the project would not impact cyclists. He stated that Mr. Radabaugh also noted that the DOH would keep cyclists in mind when designing the project. Mr. Austin concluded stating that he felt that Mr. Radabaugh's comments had adequately addressed the Citizens Advisory Committee's concerns.

Mr. Austin then described the PRT Amendments proposed by WVU.

- -Ongoing systemwide electrical upgrades in Fiscal Years 2014 through 2017. These project utilize Federal Transit Administration Section 5337 Funds.
- -Replacement of the PRT's vehicle fleet beginning in FY 2015 currently programmed for funding by WVU, though WVU is seeking Federal assistance with this project.

Mr. Austin stated that the TTAC unanimously recommended approval of all of the proposed amendments. He also noted that the CAC had recommended approval of all of the amendments except those noted by Mr. Rice.

Mayor Selin asked what would happen if the Policy Board did not approve these projects. Mr. Austin stated that the DOH would not be able to use Federal funds for these projects but that they could use State funds. After a short discussion Mr. Bruffy moved approval of all of the proposed amendments seconded by Councilor Shamberger. The motion was unanimously approved.

X. OTHER BUSINESS:

Mr. Statler stated that the School Board has concerns with the progress of the purchase of Easton Elementary School by the Division of Highways. He stated that the project had been moving forward but that now there was some kind of stumbling block. He asked the Policy Board to authorize Mr. Austin to write a letter requesting that DOH move forward with the acquisition. After a short discussion Mr. Bruffy moved approval of Mr. Statler's request seconded by Mr. Kelly. The motion was unanimously approved.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:33 pm.

Monthly Cost Allocation Worksheet Morgantown / Monongalia County Transportation Planning Organization

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nent	Description	FY 2013/2014 Budget	July 3	Aug 13	Set 13	Octr ³	Mon'va	Dec. Vy	Jan' 14	Kept Vy	Mar, A	ADI', A	May	Jun' 14	Total Expenditures	Remaining Budget
	1000 Administration / Coordination	\$ 175,002.00	10,769.69	9,655.50	11,655.47	14,043.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	\$ 46.123.66	\$ 128,878.3
	1100 Salaries	\$ 135,302.00	9745.59	8047.17	10415.37	12785.09	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		\$ 94,308.78
	1110 Contracted Services	\$ 12,000.00	105.68	113.96	0.00	103.84	0.00	0.00								\$ 11,676.5
,	1200 Office Rent	\$ 9,450.00	790.00	720.00	868.00	0.00	0.00	0.00							\$ 2,378.00	\$ 7,072.0
1	1210 Utilities	\$ 5,000.00	128.42	189.89	164.20	194.26	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		\$ 4,323.2
	Phone	\$ 4,500.00	128.42	153.94	128.25	158.31	0.00	0.00							\$ 568.92	\$ 3,931.0
	Web Hosting	\$ 500.00	0.00	35.95	35.95	35.95	0.00	0.00							\$ 107.85	\$ 392.1
1	1250 Office Management	\$ 1,250.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	\$ -	\$ 1,250.0
	Copier	\$ 750.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00							\$ -	\$ 750.00
	Supplies/Postage	\$ 500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00							\$ -	\$ 500.0
	1300 Public Notices/Fees	\$ 3,000.00		202.00		221.23									\$ 423.23	\$ 2,576.77
1	1400 Travel / Training	\$ 9,000.00	0.00	382.48	207.90	738.58	0.00	0.00							\$ 1,328.96	\$ 7,671.04
	2000 Analysis / Data Development	\$ 39,000.00	0.00	2.000.00	1.000.00	2.440.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	\$ 5.440.00	\$ 33,560.00
	2100 Equipment/Software/Analysis	\$ 15,000.00	0.00	1,200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		\$ 13,800.00
	2150 Subarea Plans	\$ 12,000.00	0.00	800.00	1,000.00	2,100.00	0.00	0.00							\$ 3,900.00	\$ 13,800.00
	2200 Consulting Services	\$ 12,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	340.00	0.00	0.00								\$ 11,660.00
;	3000 Transportation Plan Update*	\$ -													\$ -	\$ -
	4000 Transit	\$ 13,000.00	0.00	1,200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	\$ 1.200.00	\$ 11,800.00
	21.00 Program Support & Administration	\$ 8,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		1.00	3.00	1.00				\$ 8,000.00
	23.02 Regional Trans. Plan - Project	\$ 5,000.00		1,200.00											\$ 1,200.00	
	24.00 Short Range Transit Planning	\$ -		,											\$ -	\$ -
	5000 TIP	\$ 8,000.00	200.00	250.00	600.00	240.00	0.00	0.00							\$ 1,290.00	\$ 6,710.0
(6000 Unified Planning Work Program	\$ 5,000.00	150.00	0.00	240.00	400.00	0.00	0.00							\$ 790.00	\$ 4,210.0
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Monthly Eligible at 90 %

Monthly Request \$ 15,410.70

\$ 17,123.00

Checking Account

As of October 31, 2013

Accrual Basis Date Num Name Memo Clr Split Amount Balance 5,359.60 Centra-Checking (voucher checks) Traffic Count Book Printing and Reproduction (Printing and R 10/01/2013 8426 Centra Bank - Mastercard -519.09 4,840.51 10/01/2013 Fringe Benefits Management Company Employee Health Insurance and L 4,584.61 8427 -255.90 10/01/2013 8428 J. William B. Austin MPO Conference Travel (Travel) -106.90 4,477.71 10/01/2013 MPO Conference Travel (Travel) 4.386.71 8429 Jing Zhang -91.00 10/01/2013 8430 Morgantown Municipal Airport Rent (Rent) -720.00 3,666.71 10/08/2013 Monongalia County Planning Commission carpet cleaning reimbursement Miscellaneous (Miscellaneous) 148.00 3.814.71 10/15/2013 **WVDOH** Deposit PL Funds (Funds) 10,007.72 13,822.43 Jing Zhang Electronic Transfer 10/15/2013 5232 Salaries -1,217.92 12,604.51 10/15/2013 5233 ICMA. Retirement Corp Retirement Account -291.83 12,312.68 10/15/2013 941 IRS Electronic Transfer **Payroll Liabilities** -395.70 11,916.98 10/16/2013 8431 Comcast Internet -256.62 11,660.36 10/16/2013 8432 **Dongliang Yang** Mileground Ped Counts Contract Labor (Contract Labor) -180.00 11,480.36 10/16/2013 8433 Fringe Benefits Management Company Employee Health Insurance and L -255.90 11,224.46 10/16/2013 8434 Jing Chen Mileground Ped Counts Contract Labor (Contract Labor) -160.00 11,064.46 10/16/2013 8435 Public Employees Insurance Agency Employee Health Insurance and L 9,360.52 -1,703.9410/16/2013 8436 Service Plus Accounting (Accounting Fees) -103.84 9,256.68 10/16/2013 8437 Sprint Telephone (Telephone) -25.49 9,231.19 **WVNET** 10/16/2013 8438 Web Hosting -35.95 9,195.24 **TIP Amend Notice** 10/16/2013 8439 WV Newspaper Publishing Co. **Public Notices** -221.23 8,974.01 10/16/2013 8440 Centra Bank - Mastercard MPO Conf. and Office supplies Travel & Ent (Travel and Entertainment) -556.38 8,417.63 10/16/2013 5236 ICMA. Retirement Corp Retirement Account -1,208.93 7,208.70 IRS **Payroll Liabilities** 10/16/2013 941 Electronic Transfer -743.23 6,465.47 J. William B. Austin 10/16/2013 5235 **Electronic Transfer** Salaries -1,940.12 4,525.35 10/21/2013 **WVDOH** Deposit PL Funds (Funds) 11,794.95 16,320.30 10/29/2013 Monongalia County Planning Com. Deposit Internet 128.31 16,448.61 10/29/2013 8441 PACE Enterprises of West Virginia Retreat Meals (Meals) -182.20 16,266.41 10/29/2013 Public Employees Insurance Agency Employee Health Insurance and L -1,703.94 14,562.47 8442 10/29/2013 8443 Retiree Health Benefit Trust Fund Employee Health Insurance and L -704.00 13,858.47 10/30/2013 **WVDOH** PL Funds (Funds) 26.004.39 Deposit 12.145.92 **IRS Payroll Liabilities** 10/31/2013 941 Electronic Transfer -1,138.94 24,865.45 10/31/2013 5239 ICMA. Retirement Corp Retirement Account -1,500.76 23,364.69 10/31/2013 5240 WV Dept of Tax and Revenue **Payroll Liabilities** -404.00 22,960.69 10/31/2013 J. William B. Austin Salaries 5237 -1,940.11 21,020.58 10/31/2013 5238 Jing Zhang **Salaries** -1,217.92 19,802.66 19,802.66 19,802.66

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11/15/2013

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Mountain Line

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