

Bangor Area Comprehensive Transportation System

Policy Committee Meeting Minutes

July 18, 2017

Orono Council Chambers

Name	Representing
Rob Kenerson	BACTS
Cindy Meservey	BACTS
Connie Reed	BACTS
Don Cooper	BACTS
Jeremy Caron	City of Brewer
John Theriault	City of Bangor
Darryl Belz	Maine DOT
Dennis Emidy	Maine DOT
Belle Ryder	Town of Orono
Dana Wardwell	City of Bangor
Frank Higgins	City of Brewer
Brett Hart	Sewall
Rob Yerxa	Town of Orono
Linda Johns	City of Brewer
Laurie Linscott	City of Bangor

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Topic	Discussion	Action
Minutes	Rob Yerxa called the July 18, 2017 meeting of the Bangor Area Comprehensive Transportation System Policy Committee to order at 9:39 am, at Orono Council Chambers.	<i>Laurie Linscott made the motion to accept the minutes of June 20, 2017 Policy Committee meeting. Frank Higgins seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.</i>

Project Selection for 2020-2021 TIP

Topic	Discussion	Action
	<p>Rob Kenerson explained to the Committee that they needed to choose projects from the list for the 2020-2021 TIP and decide which projects are for 2020 and which are for 2021.</p> <p>Rehab 2 in Orono is the culvert project. It is on the list in the event that more funding is necessary.</p>	

	<p>There is no update on the project, so nothing needs to be done at this time.</p> <p>Preservation 1 was put on the list prior to completion of the Stillwater Avenue Corridor Study. Maine DOT has funding in the current TIP for corridor improvements recommended from this study. This is to coincide with the bridge projects in this corridor.</p> <p>Rob explained that there is an Advanced Innovative Development (AID) grant available. The State has applied for it for the Diverging Diamond project. Rob thought it may be possible to use it for the Penobscot Corridor with both Brewer and Bangor if it can be. He will be talking with Wayne Emington from Federal Highway about the possibility.</p>	<p><i>Belle Ryder made the motion to select Preservation 17, Preservation 18, Preservation 10, and Rehab 2 PE only for 2020. Rehab 2 construction with a reduced scope and OSI 2 and 3 have been selected for 2021. Frank Higgins seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.</i></p>
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Technical Issues

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<p>Construction Updates</p>	<p>Bangor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Washington and Broad are being paved today. • Paving on Broadway is set to begin in late August. • State Street paving will begin next week. • Paving on Hammond will begin at the end of this month. • Ted is working on the design for Outer Hammond. • The bids for the sidewalk on Hogan Road have come in. Gardner received the project. The estimate was higher than expected. <p>Orono</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Town was awarded a \$25,000 grant for the Park Street study. • The initial schedule for the culvert project is to have PBR done in September. Completion is scheduled for 2020. <p>Brewer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Route 9 paving is underway. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Traffic signal installs are scheduled for the end of the month. Equipment should be in by the end of August. • A chip seal will be done on Lambert Road today. 	
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Transit Report

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	<p>The full FY 2017 Federal Transit Administration funding apportionment was announced July 5 and published in the Federal Register on July 10. When Community Connector provides the FY 17 program of projects and funding request, it will be reviewed to determine if the TIP will require an amendment, modification or informational change.</p> <p>Laurie Linscott told the Committee that she is submitting a grant application to FTA for purchase of new buses, which is due in August.</p> <p>Orono has agreed to move the storage of the Black Bear Orono Express Shuttle buses from their current location outside the Orono Fire Station to the Orono Public Works Garage. This move allows for indoor storage of the bus and provides protection from the weather.</p>	

Maine DOT Report

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	<p>Maine DOT has received a request for a right turn lane on outer Broadway from Baptist Church. They have also received a request for a right turn lane onto Pushaw Road.</p>	

Other Business

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	<p>Maine DOT is looking for a list of studies that will be included in the UPWP for 2018/2019. Rob is anticipating a Bike/Ped study to be done. He is also looking at a comprehensive pavement plan/study.</p>	

	<p>Dana suggested doing a study on the I-395-Odlin Road intersection. Maine DOT looked at that intersection not long ago.</p> <p>Rob was invited to the Augusta TIM group meeting to discuss what the local TIM group has been working on.</p> <p>Rob is still working on the inventory section of the Traffic Mobility Report that should be coming out in August.</p>	
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Adjournment		<i>The meeting was adjourned at 10:41 a.m.</i>