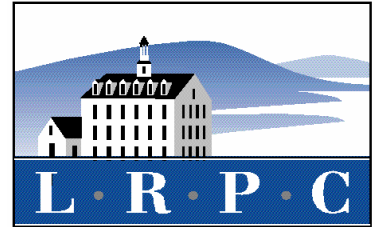


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TO: Transportation Technical Advisory Committee

FROM: Michael Izard, Principal Planner

DATE: February 25, 2008

MINUTES of January 9, 2008 TRANSPORTATION TAC MEETING
Humiston Building, Meredith, NH

MEMBERS PRESENT

Voting

Sheldon Morgan, Gilford (Chairman)
David Bowles, Tamworth
Malcolm Taylor, Holderness
Brad Harriman, Ossipee
David Kerr, Barnstead
John Edgar, Meredith

Non-Voting

Seth Creighton, Laconia
John Gotjen, Tamworth
Angela LaBrecque, Meredith

OTHERS PRESENT

Michael Izard, LRPC
David Jeffers, LRPC
Nancy Mayville, NH DOT Municipal Highways Engineer

1. Call to Order

Chairman Morgan called the meeting to order at 2:02 PM. He welcomed everyone.

2. Approval of the Minutes

The December 3, 2007 minutes were approved as written. *M/S/Passed—Bowles/Kerr*

The Chairman asked for public input, there was none.

3. Regional Updates

M. Izard provided the following regional updates:

Regional Transportation Plan 2008 - After seeking Committee input, one change had been made on page 11 regarding rail transit in the region. Section 4: Key Transportation Issues was enhanced with the addition of statistics regarding transportation affordability, demographic needs, safety, and roadway conditions. A presentation of the draft report was made to the LRPC Executive Board on December 12, 2007.

It was moved that the draft Regional Transportation Plan be forwarded to the Commission for their approval. *M/S/Passed—Bowles/Kerr*

Ten Year Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) – A handout was provided that illustrated project funding reductions made over the past year. It was noted four projects remain in the Lakes Region, with the possibility of three more projects if bonding is approved. From an initial project construction total of \$111 million, project funding reductions in the Lakes Region total between \$89 and \$98 million.

Route 25 Corridor Study – Handouts were provided detailing potential safety recommendations developed by the study consulting engineers. Preliminary cost estimates were prepared for the proposed intersection improvements at five prioritized locations.

Transportation and Conservation Summit – This submit was coordinated by Defenders of Wildlife was held with planners from ME, NH, and VT in both disciplines discussing problems with conservation and transportation.

4. UNH Technology Transfer Center (UNH T²).

Robert Strobel, Project Manager for UNH T² made a presentation on new software and training that will be available this spring for asset management. The software, which includes a Road Surface Management System (RSMS) module, is intended to make data collection and recording more efficient by utilizing low accuracy GPS and high resolution aerial photography.

The system can be used to inventory and manage all types of transportation infrastructure including catch basins, signs, culverts, bridges, etc. Unlike the predecessor RSMS software which was free and supported by UNH T², the new software was developed by a consultant, and will be available for purchase with an annual maintenance fee.

5. Other

The next TAC meeting will be March 5, 2008 in Meredith. A possible speaker for the next meeting is Steve Pesci from UNH on the Downeaster rail service and the economic impact that it has had on transportation in the Seacoast.

6. Adjourn 4:15 PM