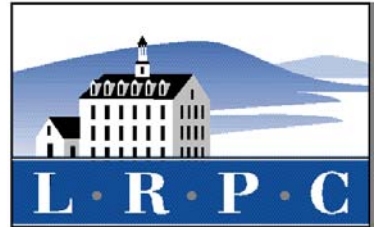


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### MINUTES of October 1, 2008 Transportation TAC Meeting Humiston Building Suite #1 Meredith, NH

#### MEMBERS PRESENT

##### Voting

Sheldon Morgan, Gilford (Chair)  
John Gotjen, Tamworth  
David Kerr, Barnstead  
Ralph Carter, Sanbornton (Vice Chair)  
John Edgar, Meredith  
Steve Favorite, Bristol  
David Ford, Wolfeboro  
Rick Ball, Belmont  
Brad Harriman, Ossipee  
Herb Farnum, Moultonborough

#### OTHERS PRESENT

Dick Waitt, LRPC Executive Board  
Dean Eastman, NH DOT/ Planning  
Kathleen Brockett, NH DES Air Resources Division  
Representative Jim Pilliod, MD, Belmont  
Michael Izard, LRPC  
Kimon Koulet, LRPC  
David Jeffers, LRPC

#### 1. Call to Order

Chairman Morgan called the meeting to order at 2:04 PM and asked each person to introduce themselves. He welcomed everyone.

#### 2. Public Input

The Chairman asked for public input, there was none.

#### 3. Approval of Minutes

The September 3, 2008 Minutes with one amendment were approved.  
*M/S/Passed Carter/Favorite*

#### 4. Regional Updates

K. Brockett there have been fewer Air Quality Exceedences this summer than anticipated. With the new, stricter ozone standard, NH DES had expected at least twenty days to exceed the minimum level; instead there were only ten days with poor air quality. Likely causes for this are actions taken by polluters upwind and cool, rainy conditions.

M. Izard reported that a Transit Summit had been held at Plymouth State University. Grafton County is pulling together a Regional Coordinating Council. The LRPC service area covers all or part of four counties. Recent discussions have broached the concept of LRPC working together with Central Regional Planning Commission to seek funding and develop a joint Central/Lakes Region Coordinator.

M. Izard distributed a flyer for the Statewide New Hampshire Rail Trail Activists Meeting on November 8 in Manchester.

Notice of an RFP from Franklin was received for an earmarked project. Earmarked projects do not go through the TIP process; therefore this project need not be considered by the TAC. A question was raised as to whether the existence of earmarked projects in a region impacts TIP funding.

#### 5. Scoring Criteria for the TIP

There was some discussion of the scoring process and the fact that while these projects are along state roads; this is an opportunity for communities to provide their input. This process also seeks to identify portions of projects that might be addressed as well as statements of urgency.

The TAC membership then began to review the content and format of the Evaluation Form.

- a. Q1: Greater emphasis should be placed on East-West corridors (12 points) than North-South corridors (10 points).
- b. Q2: No change. There was discussion of whether this responsibility lies with NH DOT or with the community.
- c. Q3: The ability of a community to contribute financially will not be considered by the TAC; however there will be a place on the application for the community to make note of this, as NH DOT will consider this in their evaluation.
- d. Q4: Any deferrable projects should not be included on this list.
- e. Q5: No change. Applicants must do their homework and "write to the Goals".
- f. Q6: It is very important that all alternatives have been considered. If additional information still needs to be considered (d), then 0 points should be awarded.
- g. Q7: No change. It was noted that this is a requirement of all federal projects.
- h. Q8: The cover letter should request all supporting documentation.
- i. Q9: The scoring on this will be 10, 5, or 0 points.
- j. Q10: The scoring on this will be 10, 5, or 0 points.

There was comment on the overview, pointing out that this establishes the minimum expectations to the community. K. Brockett commented that the goals are an excellent blend of both the state and regional goals. The Scoring Criteria Subcommittee was commended for their work on this document.

It was moved that the scoring criteria with the changes noted above be supported by the TAC.

*M/S/Passed Ford/Ball*

The TAC reviewed the letter to the Selectmen. The new draft addresses the fact that the TAC has decided to focus on existing projects. LRPC staff was instructed to give the communities the maximum amount of time to refine and submit projects. Applications will be due in early 2009.

It was moved that the letter as drafted, including the items discussed during the review of the Evaluation Sheet be supported by the TAC.

*M/S/Passed Carter/Kerr*

**6. Other**

K. Brockett distributed brochures on the impact of vehicle idling on air quality.

**7. Adjourned 4:00 PM**

*M/S/Passed Ford/Carter*