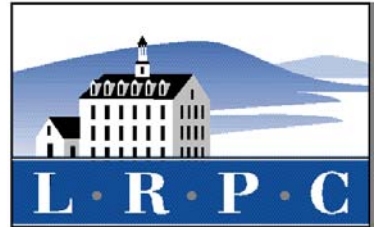


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MINUTES of December 3, 2008 Transportation TAC Meeting Wolfeboro Public Library Wolfeboro, NE

MEMBERS PRESENT

Voting

Sheldon Morgan, Gilford (Chair)
John Gotjen, Tamworth
David Kerr, Barnstead
Ralph Carter, Sanbornton (Vice Chair)
Steve Favorite, Bristol
David Ford, Wolfeboro
Brad Harriman, Ossipee
Bob Barry, New Hampton

OTHERS PRESENT

Dick Waitt, LRPC Executive Board
Jason Plourde, Greenman-Pederson, Inc.
Dave Powelson, Bureau of Bridge Design, NH DOT
Doug Gosling, Bureau of Bridge Maintenance, NH DOT
Nancy Mayville, Bureau of Planning and Community Assistance, NH DOT
Michael Iazard, 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 October 1, 2008 Minutes were approved.

M/S/Passed Carter/Kerr

4. **Regional Updates**

M. Izard reported that work is progressing on the Safety Study along NH Route 28. Selectmen representation has been requested from the four participating communities. Activities will include federal training for conducting safety audits. An RFQ for a consultant has been developed.

LRPC has received some inquiries regarding the TE process and timeline. N. Mayville indicated that the process will start in the spring of 2009 with projects due by August for review by the TAC and NH DOT and final selections made in early 2010.

Five Safe Routes to Schools projects were approved in the Lakes Region. LRPC will be working with Moultonborough on facilitating their Planning project. Funds have been delayed at Governor and Council by one month. The next round of grant applications opens December 8, 2008 and closes February 2, 2009. LRPC does provide assistance to communities applying for these funds. There are two types of grants through this program Planning and Implementation grants; communities that utilize the \$5,000 Planning grants seem to be developing better quality Implementation proposals. The TAC should plan to be involved in the selection process this year.

5. **Managing Municipal Bridges**

D. Powelson, D. Gosling, and N. Mayville gave a tree-part presentation on “Managing Municipal Bridges”; this is a condensed version of a five-hour class on bridges offered through T².

The program began with a discussion of bridge types, their classification, inspection, and weight limits. It continued with information on maintenance activities, funding streams including the State and Federal Bridge Aid programs. The presentation concluded with a summary of common concerns.

The state inspects all bridges every two years and red-listed bridges annually. Also discussed were the responsibilities that communities have, including to hold on to the information about their bridges, post and enforce weight limits, clean and maintain bridges with regularly allocated funds, and comment on the Block Grant Bridge Aid Program. It was noted that the communities which seem to do the best in terms of obtaining Block Grant funding are those that have done their homework, planned and prioritized on their own, and talked with NH DOT.

6. **TIP Updates**

M. Izard pointed out that the language from the GACIT hearing about the April 2009 deadline for TIP recommendations implied some flexibility with the April 2009 deadline being extended to as far out as July 2009. LRPC communities were asked to resubmit projects for a December 31, 2008 deadline. The resulting discussion touched on the need to ensure that communities submit quality project descriptions and the seasonal workload on communities.

Motion: Notify all LRPC communities that the deadline for submission of TIP projects to the TAC shall be extended until January 30, 2009.

M/S/Passed Ford/Carter

7. **Other**

Thank yous were extended to Wolfeboro for hosting this meeting as well to our presenters on their quality presentation. The next TAC meeting will be held February 4, 2009 at the Humiston Building in Meredith at 2:00 PM.

8. **Adjourned 4:00 PM**

M/S/Passed Carter/Favorite