

**WILL COUNTY GOVERNMENTAL LEAGUE
TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING
Wednesday, September 2, 2020**

Virtual Meeting VIA Zoom

M I N U T E S

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Pledge of Allegiance

B. Attendance & Introductions

The following Municipal Members were present: Beecher- Bob Barber, Bolingbrook- Mary Basta & Lucas Rickelman, Coal City- Matt Fritz, Diamond- Terry Kernc, Joliet- Jim Trizna, Minooka- Dan Duffy & Ryan Anderson, Monee- Dave Wallace, New Lenox- Kurt Carrol, Romeoville- Erik Bjork, Shorewood- Noriel Noriega, Wilmington- Joie Ziller, County of Will- Christina Kupkowski

Others Present: Brian Pawula, Harry Gilmore, Akron Chaudhry, Darcie Gabrisko, Lauren Platt, Scott Creech, Beth Gonzalez, Kama Dobbs, Noe Gallado, Kevin Stallworth, Salvatore Dibernardo, Doug Pryor, Claire Serdiuk, Kurt Corrigan, Tom Slattery, Brian Welch

Staff Present: Bottomley & Belom

C. Approval of Minutes June 3, 2020

Motion: Bolingbrook, Mary Basta. Second: Coal City, Matt Fritz.

Roll Call Vote: unanimous approval.

II. PROGRAM UPDATES

A. RTA- Claire Serdiuk

At the last RTA board meeting a strategic COVID Recovery Planning Group was unveiled. RTA currently has a survey available on their website that will be used to format the 2021 work plan and will address how transportation will have to change in the future.

B. METRA- Noe Gallardo

Ridership has taken a huge hit due to COVID. Metra has also added a ridership dashboard, which shows the average number of commuters on train cars, to their website to help riders plan their trips. Metra is working with New Lenox on their

new train station, Manhattan on renewing and resealing their train platform, and Mokena on getting a few repairs for their station.

C. Pace- Beth Gonzales

Pace operations have transitioned due to COVID. This includes the suspension of routes throughout the whole system. The Will County routes that are impacted are: Lewis & Route 504. Lewis run will resume in January, at the college's request. Route 504 is currently running on a reduced schedule. Current ridership is at 50%, however there are some routes that are seeing higher ridership numbers. The Plainfield garages targeted to open in the end of 2021 and the Joliet transit center has been delayed.

D. ISTHA- Lauren Platt

The Illinois Tollway is working fully remote. Stressed the importance of being safe on the roadway and if pulled over on the system please remain in car. The commercial volume on the system is back to normal while the passenger traffic is bouncing back but remains about 20% down. Shared information about the Tolling 2020 reform which uses invoicing for missed tolls while also lowering the fees for missed tolls.

E. IDOT District One- No Report

F. IDOT Local Roads- Kevin Stallworth

Update on projects within Will County, including design approval, ROW certified and target letting dates.

G. CMAP- Kama Dobbs

CMAP is working fully remotely. All meetings are being conducted virtually and recordings are available on youtube. Shared current opportunities for funding through ITEP, Illinois Special Bridge projects, IDNR boat access, and Urban & Community Forest Grants.

III. WCGL UPDATE

A. FFY 21 Planning Liaison Scope of Services & Budget Resolution

Motion: New Lenox, Kurt Carrol. Second: Beecher, Bob Barber.

Roll Call Vote: unanimous approval.

B. STP-L Recommended Program Public Comment Summary

Bottomley provided a summary of the one (1) public comment received. The comment concerned the required municipal local match for STP funds. Barber shared that the comment and concerns received are accurate, however with municipalities receiving increased MFT funds there should not be any funding issues.

C. STP-L FFY 21-25 Program Approval

Bottomley presented the proposed STP-L FFY 21-25 program for approval, and shared the process to get to the point of approval.

Motion: Bolingbrook, Mary Basta. Second: New Lenox, Kurt Carrol.
Roll Call Vote: unanimous approval.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

None.

V. NEXT MEETING

December 2, 2020

VI. ADJOURNMENT : Motion: Bolingbrook, Mary Basta. Second: Monee, Dave Wallace.

Approved as presented by unanimous vote, December 2, 2020