

**Northeast Minnesota ATP
ATP Meeting
April 4, 2013
Hermantown**

Members Present

Walter Leu
John Welle
Dave Christy
Dave Betts
Cindy Voigt
Mike Tardy
Brian Boder
Mark LeBrun
Will Hoyt
Cavour Johnson
Kevin Adee
Steve Kniefel
Earl Elde
Ron Johnson
Bruce Martinson
David Salo
Jack Larson
Don Mohawk
Al Goodman
Andy Hubley
Jim Rohweder
Don Niemi
Duane Hill
Mike Forsman
Jim Johnson
Jesse Story

Others

Bryan Anderson
Scott Johnson
John Minor
Nancy Sannes
Rex Bordson
Jon Mason
Robert Herling

Representing

MnDOT
Aitkin County
Itasca County
Cook County
Duluth
Carlton County
St. Louis County
Pine County
Koochiching County
RTAC
Koochiching County
St. Louis County
MIC
Duluth Seaway Port Auth.
Cook County
Hermantown
Arrowhead Transit
MnDOT
Lake County
ARDC
TAC
Aitkin County
MnDOT
St. Louis County
City of Chisholm
City of Hibbing

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ARDC
MIC

John Welle called the meeting to order at 10:08.

Committee Business

Dave Christy/Mark Lebrun motioned to approve the November 8, 2012 meeting summary. The motion carried.

State Program

Nancy Sannes reviewed the FY 2013 and FY 2014 Mn/DOT program (handout). Sannes reported that the program is generally in good shape with many of the FY 2013 projects complete.

Local Program

Walter Leu reviewed the 2013-2014 local program (handout) and discussed each project's status.

Highlights of the local program include:

- Construction of the Gitchi-Gami Trail (Silver Bay to Tettegouche State Park) moved into FY 2014.
- Chisholm 6th Street Reconstruct project will be removed and swap federal funds with St. Peter.
- Cross City Trail Phase II on Track for April Deadline.
- Design for the Duluth Air Guard Secondary Access is in design.
- Cross City Trail (30th Ave W to Recycle Way) moved into FY 2014.

2014-2017 ATIP

Funding targets

Bryan Anderson reviewed the FY 2017 investment guidelines.

- MnDOT: \$69.8 M
- Rail Crossings (centrally): \$4,900,000
- Rural/SM Urban Transit: To come out of Cities and Counties \$5 M share
- TA: \$900,000 Safety
- HSIP: \$1,300,000
- Cities/Counties: \$5,000,000

Transit

Bryan Anderson reviewed the new proposed targets for transit. The ATP Work Group recommended that of the \$2.1 million going to the MPO for funding that \$250,000 be spent in FY 2017 on small transit. This amount will assist in replacing vehicles for the DTA STRIDE, Fond du Lac, and Hibbing. Of the \$2.9 million provided to rural areas for FY 2017 it was recommended that \$850,000 be spent annually on replacing vehicles for Arrowhead Transit. These recommendations were discussed by the Steering Committee and will be forward to the ATP for approval.

Transportation Alternatives

Anderson provided an overview of the Transportation Alternatives (TA) program. New to the program are Safe Routes to School and Scenic Byway projects. MnDOT will hold the TA program whole for the current STIP years and is planning to advertise for FY 2017 and FY 2018 projects in the Fall of 2013. The ATP also reviewed the TA Task Force membership. Jon Mason with ARDC to put together a meeting to discuss membership and future options for TA projects, solicitation, etc. Mason reported on what was discussed by this committee and the recommendations are attached.

Walter Leu/Mike Forsman motioned to approve the TA recommendations and the new membership. The motion carried.

Leu/AI Goodman motioned to approve the ATIP. The motion carried.

Meeting Structure Recommendations

Andy Hubley mentioned that with the reduction in the target funds to the ATP that the ATP Work Group is recommending that the ATP meeting structure changes to reduce the number of meetings. The recommendation was to continue with two ATP meetings a year but eliminate the ATP Steering Committee. Instead the ATP Work Group would provide updates on a quarterly basis to the RTAC and MicTAC Committees. All ATP Steering Committee members are already a part of these Committees and therefore will receive updates and an opportunity to provide program direction.

Kevin Adee/ Leu motioned to established the new meeting structure that ARDC outlined. The motion was amended to add one more city of Duluth representative. The motion carried.

Other Business

Anderson mentioned that the CIMS solicitation is out and is due April 30th.

Next meeting

The next meeting was tentatively scheduled for November 7th.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:35.