

**Adams County Transportation Planning Organization (ACTPO)  
Minutes for the Committee Meeting on October 26, 2016**

**Attendance:**

**Voting Members**

Rich Farr	Rabbitransit (Chair)
Bob Gordon	Hamiltonban Township (Vice-Chair)
Darlene Brown	Chamber of Commerce
Coleen Reamer	Adams County Association of Township Officials
Stan Wannop	Adams County Borough's Association
Marty Qually	Adams County Commissioners
Anthony Berger	PennDOT District 8-0
Skip Strayer	Adams County Planning Commission (Alternate)
David Scotty Bolton	McSherrystown, ACBA

**Legislative Representatives**

Scot A. Pitzer	Senator Alloway
Jared Cottrill	Rep. Tallman
Bob Reilly	U.S. Rep. Scott Perry

**Adams County Office of Planning and Development**

Andrew Merkel  
Christopher Caba  
Sherri Clayton

**Others**

Scott Small	Conewago Township
William Cameron	Adams County Bridge Engineer
Adam Grimes	PennDOT Central Office
John Lansing	New Oxford Boro Council
Larry Dost	Latimore Township
Susan Naugle	Gettysburg Borough Council
Christi Smith	Commuter Services
Laura Heilman	Commuter Services
Tom Jolin	HABPI
Dennis Hickethier	HABPI
Matt Young	Freedom Township
Jim Smedley	Parsons Brinckerhoff
John Eline	Adams County Department of Emergency Services
Warren Bladen	Adams County Department of Emergency Services

**Media**

Vanessa Pellechio	Gettysburg Times
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**1. Introductory Comments- Rich Farr- Chair**

Mr. Farr brought the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. and had all in attendance introduce themselves.

**2. ACTPO Reorganization/Selection of Officers**

Ms. Reamer motioned to approve the selection of Mr. Rich Farr as Chair and Mr. Bob Gordon as Vice-Chair of the Adams County Transportation Planning Organization. Mr. Wannop seconded and the selection of officers passed unanimously.

**3. Approval of Minutes- October 26, 2016**

Mr. Wannop has changed organizations and is now with the Adams County Borough's Association. Mr. Bolton motioned to approve the minutes and Mr. Wannop seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**4. Staff Updates- ACOPD**

- A.** Mr. Merkel discussed the US 15 Safety Improvements Project and stated two (2) public meetings were held in October, one for Adams County and the other in York County. Mr. Merkel and Mr. Berger engaged in a back and forth conversation related to the project. Mr. Dost said the Adams County public meeting was attended by approximately 150 residents and was well done. Mr. Farr asked if there would be any changes to the TIP in light of the public meetings, and Mr. Berger responded by saying not for the current 2017-2020 TIP. Furthermore, Mr. Merkel said the next Development Committee Meeting will occur in February
- B.** Mr. Merkel stated the SR 116 Road Safety Audit will begin in the spring of 2017 and continue through the summer of 2017.
- C.** Mr. Merkel discussed HOP, Traffic Study, and Project Meetings which occurred. He said that Mark Gettysburg Associates submitted a plan for a proposed Wal-Mart along Route 30 in Straban Township. This development would connect Camp Letterman Drive to SR 116 and restructure the Hunterstown Road/US 30 intersection. The Meadows project was submitted which includes 105 single-family units and 141 townhouses along SR 116 in Bonneauville. Mr. Far asked if The Meadows project will be included in the safety audit, and Mr. Merkel replied the audit is on the western portion of 116 not near the Meadows proposal.

Mr. Merkel also discussed the Gettysburg College Plank Drive Relocation and the proposed commercial site along US 30 scheduled for February 2, 2017. No comments or questions were received for these projects.

- D. Mr. Caba discussed the 2017 Long Range Plan Update including funding allocation projections and future maintenance costs, as well as a list of potential bridge, highway, and maintenance projects. Mr. Qually and Mr. Caba engaged in a conversation related to past allocations and costs compared with current estimates.
- E. Mr. Grimes talked about the PennDOT Connects Policy and the intent for PennDOT to work collaboratively with MPO's and municipalities early on with projects. Currently PennDOT is working on rolling out the new program. Mr. Berger commented that PennDOT connects is a refinement of the LPN Process and PennDOT will conduct trainings in 2017.

**5. Transit Update**

- A. Ms. Smith gave an update of Commuter Services.
- B. Mr. Farr Said the Freedom Transit Blue Line was expanding to the Human Services building, and that Rabbitransit was involved in a new Mobility Study.

**6. NPRM for MPO Coordination and Planning Area Reform**

Mr. Merkel gave an overview of the MPO Coordination and Planning Area Reform and discussed the comments received by FHWA. He also discussed how it would affect ACTPO and the outcome of being one MPO with YAMPO. Mr. Reilly stated that Representative Perry knows about this new rule and is aware of the issues it presents.

**7. Follow-up on Request for Rhodes Mill Bridge Addition to TIP (Act 13 Marcellus Legacy Funds)**

Mr. Cameron discussed the findings of the additional testing done on the Rhodes Mill Bridge including paint testing. Mr. Qually recused himself from the vote. Ms. Reamer motioned to approve the request, Mr. Wannop seconded and it passed unanimously.

**8. 2015-2018 TIP Update**

Mr. Grimes gave an update to the 2015-2018 ACTPO TIP with modifications for MPMS #18145 Old Harrisburg Road Bridge 1 and MPMS #78672 "PA 94/Berlin Road" which is cashflowing the construction and PE phases respectively to better utilize current funding. Additionally, \$127,184 is being added to the PE phase of MPMS #84897 "94 and 234 Intersection Improvement" for environmental clearance purposes.

Mr. Grimes also discussed adding \$46,000 to the PE phase of MPMS #94894 "94 and 394 Intersection Improvement" to match the current agreement amount. Furthermore, PennDOT is adding \$50,000 to the PE phase of MPMS # 73854 "Latimore Valley Road Bridge-C" to meet the current estimate costs.

**9. PennDOT Comments**

Mr. Berger stated the next TIP update is coming up in 2018 and said PennDOT was looking at July for a first draft and is planning to meet with the MPO prior to this time period to discuss potential projects and address concerns and questions.

**10. Public Comments**

Mr. Dost asked about the impact of the MPO Coordination and Planning Area Reform and commented on the potential effects of merging with YAMPO.

**11. Next Meeting, Time, and Place**

The next meeting will be held on April 26, 2017. Meeting was adjourned at 2:45p.m.