

**MINUTES**  
**RPA 14/ATURA POLICY BOARD MEETING**

**Tuesday, July 10, 2018**  
**The Pizza Ranch, Creston, Iowa**  
**1:20 p.m.**

**I. Call to Order**

Chairman Twombly called the meeting to order at 1:20 p.m. at the Pizza Ranch, Creston, Iowa.

**II. Roll Call of Policy Board, Technical Committee and Guests**

The following people were present:

**Policy Board**

Adair County	John Twombly
Adams County	Merlin Dixon
Ringgold County	Lyle Minnick
Taylor County	Charles Ambrose
Union County	Ron Riley
City of Creston	Gary Lybarger

**Technical Committee**

Adair County	Nick Kauffman
Ringgold County	Travis Malone
Taylor County	Trevor Wolf
City of Creston	Kevin Kruse
Southern Iowa Trolley	Leesa Lester

**Administrative**

SICOG	Becky Nardy
SICOG	Marcus Amman
SICOG	Nancy Groth
SICOG	Tim Ostroski

**III. Additions to the Agenda**

There were no additions to the agenda.

**IV. Approval of the May 8, 2018 Minutes**

Riley moved to approve the minutes of the May 8, 2018 meeting. Ambrose seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

## **V. Action Items**

### **A. Public Hearing 1:30 p.m. regarding the use of federal transportation funds: RPA 14 / ATURA Final FY2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).**

Twombly moved to open the public hearing at 1:30 p.m. Riley seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried. This public hearing is in regard to federal spending in the proposed RPA 14 / ATURA Final FY2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Nardy has not received any oral or written comments from the public regarding the use of federal transportation funds for this project. No additional comments were made during the hearing for this item.

Ambrose moved and Dixon seconded the motion to close the public hearing at 1:32 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried

### **B. Resolution - RPA 14 / ATURA Final FY2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**

Prior to the meeting, Nardy sent a copy of the Final RPA 14 / ATURA FY2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to the Technical Committee and Policy Board members for their review. The draft document had been made available for public review and comments. No comments were received from the committee, board or public. The Technical Committee recommended approval of this document.

Ambrose moved to approve the Resolution Approving and Adopting the Final RPA 14 / ATURA FY2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Minnick seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried

### **C. Resolution - RPA 14 / ATURA FTA Title VI Program 2018**

Title VI is a Federally required and designed to protect citizens' civil rights. The program addresses how RPA 14 / ATURA and SICOG handle transportation issues and shows how we are meeting the needs of minorities and those with low incomes. It is updated every three years and is due November 1, 2018. The Technical Committee recommended approval of this Title VI Program.

Riley moved to approve the Resolution Approving and Adopting the RPA 14 / ATURA 2018 Title VI Program. Minnick seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried

## **VI. Discussion Items**

### **A. Technical Committee**

Kauffman reported that Adair County has no federal projects at this time.

Malone reported than Ringgold County and Taylor County continue work on a joint truss bridge project located on P14. They plan to pour the deck the week of July 23rd.

Kruse stated the City of Creston has no federal projects at this time.

**B. Southern Iowa Trolley**

Last month at the Iowa Public Transportation Association Meeting, SIT was presented an award from the Federal Transit Administration for a 10% increase of ridership in FY2017. June 30th reports indicated ridership had decreased in FY2018, by an estimated 15,000 mainly due to Medicaid Managed Care Organizations' restrictions.

The majority of the ridership loss included riders who traveled to the workshops. Lester said that SIT has received notice from the insurance companies that they want to be reimbursed \$6,500. Lester said SIT is appealing that request.

Lester informed the board they have still not received the van or the bus that they ordered in February. The bus is replacing Bus 92 that had been struck by lightning and totaled by the insurance company.

**C. SICOG**

Nardy updated the board on the progress of two TAP fund projects. Work is underway on the Adair historical 5<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge along with the Lenox trail project, which should be completed shortly.

She also noted that Adams County does not have a new engineer yet. Dixon stated they hope to have someone hired soon. Gunsolley is acting as interim engineer until the position is filled.

Prior to the meeting, Nardy sent members a draft copy of a letter addressing the RPA 14 / ATURA board's opposition to the state's consolidation proposal to move the District 4 DOT office from Atlantic to Council Bluffs that the Board requested she prepare. Nardy received several comments and incorporated them into a final letter that she distributed at the board meeting. This letter with any further revisions received from today's meeting will be mailed to the director of the Iowa Department of Transportation and Transportation Commission members. It will also be emailed to the Policy Board to share with their Boards of Supervisors or to encourage others to contact their legislators with their opposition to the consolidation.

This is Nardy's last RPA 14 / ATURA meeting, as she will be retiring in the fall. Marcus Amman was introduced and welcomed as the new Transportation Planner. Amman will have the opportunity to work with Nardy several months

as he transitions into the transportation position. Ostroski thanked Nardy for her excellent service to ATURA and SICOG and congratulated her on her retirement.

**VII. Informational Items**

None.

**VIII. Set Date of Future Meeting and Host County**

Discussion was held that the next meeting is scheduled for November 13, 2018 in Ringgold County.

**IX. Adjournment**

Dixon moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:42 p.m. Riley seconded the motion. All in favor. Meeting adjourned.

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Secretary

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Date