

NILES/BUCHANAN/CASS AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY

Technical Advisory Committee

MINUTES

May 26, 2009

Niles City Council Chambers

1:30 P.M.

TAC Members Present:	Joe Bellina, Cass County Road Commission Brian Berndt, Berrien County Road Commission Paul Boggs, Milton Township Richard Cooper, Niles Charter Township Neil Coulston, City of Niles DPW/Airport Juan Ganum, City of Niles Planning Kelly Getman-Dissette, Niles Dial-A-Ride John Gruchot, Berrien County Community Development Darrell Harden, MDOT, Southwest Region Jim Kidwell, Niles Charter Township Sarah Woolcock, MDOT Coloma TSC
TAC Members Absent:	Willie Brown, City of Buchanan Fred Featherly, MDOT-Multi-Modal Ray Lenze, MDOT Planning Stewart McKenzie, Federal Transit Administration (ex officio) Jessica Mitchell, MACOG (ex officio) John Monaghan, Village of Edwardsburg Public Works Kimberly O'Haver, Buchanan Dial a Ride Jennifer Osborne, MDOT John Pleveich, Niles Dial-A-Ride Robert Rusch, MDEQ Shelley Klug, Southwestern Michigan Economic Growth Alliance Joe Ray, City of Niles Paul South, MDOT Coloma TSC Sarah Van Buren, Federal Highway Administration (ex officio)
SWMPC Staff Present:	Nickolas Musson
Others Present:	Don Ryman, Berrien County Commissioner

1. Call to Order & Introductions

- Chairman Bellina called the meeting to order at 1:34 P.M.

2. Minutes

- *Motion by Woolcock, supported by Harden, to approve the minutes of the April 28, 2009 TAC meeting. Motion approved.*

3. Staff Report

- **Transportation Planning and Land Use NTI Course**
Musson attended the NTI course in Cleveland on May 19 thru the 21st. Musson will be presenting the course material at the next meeting.

4. Project Updates

- Berrien County Road Commission
 - Niles-Buchanan Road – Under Construction
- City of Buchanan
 - Front Street – Completed
- Cass County Road Commission
 - Lake Street – Completed
 - Ironwood Road – Ready to begin
- MDOT
 - US-31 BR (Front Street) and Main Street- Almost completed
 - M-51, over Mckinzie Creek – Under Construction
 - US-31 NB/SB – Under Construction
 - US-12 at Bell Road, traffic operations – Started

5. Old Business

- None

6. New Business

TIP amendments – The following TIP amendments were discussed:

Niles Dial-A-Ride requested the following transit amendments to the NATS FY 2008-11 Transportation Improvement Program:

- Amended in FY 2009, the federal cost and comments of the project named Facility Equipment. The federal cost changed from \$27,600 to \$40,000 (5307) and in the comments field the toll credits increased from \$6,900 to \$8,000.
- Amended in FY 2009, the project name, description, federal cost, and state cost of the project named Facility Equipment. The projects name was changed to Facility Rehabilitation, garage was added to the description, the federal cost changed from \$19,608 to \$104,000 (5307), and the state cost changed from \$5,420 to \$26,000 (CTF).
- Amended in FY 2009, the federal cost of the project named Bus Washing Equipment. The federal cost changed from \$4,000 to \$5,000 (5307).
- Amended in FY 2009, the federal cost and comments of the project named Preventative Maintenance. The federal cost changed from \$128,000 to \$170,000 (5307) and in the comments field the toll credits increased from \$32,000 to \$34,000.
- Deleted in FY 2009, project named Bus Replacement to purchase 2 replacement diesel cutaways with lift to replace bus #2 and #5 for a federal cost of \$110,240 (5307) and a state cost of \$27,560 (CTF).
- Add in FY 2009, project named Radio System to purchase replacement base radio system for a federal cost of \$32,000 (5307). Comments will include the use of \$6,400 toll credits.
- Add in FY 2009, project named Trolley Repair to replace wheelchair lift and rehabilitate DART trolley for a federal cost of \$49,000 (5307), a state cost of \$12,500 (CTF).
- Add in FY 2009, project named Bus Replacement to purchase up to 3 replacement diesel cutaways with lift for a federal cost of \$228,000 (5309) and a state cost of \$57,000 (CTF).

A motion was made by Ganum, supported by Coulston to recommend that the Policy committee amend the FY 2008-2011 TIP to include the above mentioned modifications. Motion Approved.

Cass County Road Commission requested the following amendments to the NATS FY 2008-11 Transportation Improvement Program:

- Amended in FY 2009, limits, length, project description and federal cost of the ARRA project named Pine Lake Street. The limits changed from M-60 to Jefferson Township line to M-60 to Anderson Road, the project description changed from chip seal from M-60 to Jefferson Township line to chip seal from M-60 to Anderson Road, the length changed from 2.6 miles to 1.55 miles and the federal cost changed from \$39,000 to \$31,600.
- Amended in FY 2009, the federal cost of ARRA project named Huntly Road. The federal cost was changed from \$20,400 to \$27,500.
- Amended in FY 2009, the federal cost of ARRA project named Redfield Street Road. The federal cost was changed from \$7,500 to \$12,150.
- Amended in FY 2009, the federal cost of ARRA project named Ironwood Road. The federal cost was changed from \$26,400 to \$44,600.
- Amended in FY 2009, the federal and state cost of ARRA project named Gumwood Road. The federal cost was changed from \$218,273 to \$212,173 and the state cost was changed from \$71,727 to \$77,827.
- Delete in FY 2009, ARRA project named Beebe Road from M-60 to Leet Road for a federal cost of \$28,800.
- Delete in FY 2009, ARRA project named Fir Road from Stateline to US-12 for a federal cost of \$22,650.
- Delete in FY 2009, ARRA project named Beebe Road from US-12 to Runkle Road for a federal cost of \$27,000.
- Add in FY 2009, ARRA project named Beebe Road & Fir Road from US-12 to Runkle Road and Redfield to US-12 to chip seal for a total length of 2.71 miles and for a federal cost of \$62,000.
- Amended in FY 2009, the federal cost of project named Lake Street. The federal cost changed from \$203,500 to \$148,350.
- Amended in FY 2009, the federal and state cost of project named Ironwood Road. The federal cost changed from \$99,826 to \$76,500 and the state cost changed from \$27,000 to \$17,000.
- Delete in FY 2011, project named Ironwood road from Stateline to Redfield for a federal cost of \$8,174.
- Add in FY 2009, project named Huntly Road from Lake Street to Holly Street to resurface with structural overlay (0.3 miles) for a federal cost of \$24,480 (STP-U) and local cost of \$6,120 (MTF).
- Add in FY 2009, project named Gumwood Road from Bertrand Road to US-12 to resurface with structural overlay (0.25 miles) for a federal cost of \$20,800 (STP-U) and a local cost of \$5,200 (MTF).
- Add in FY 2009, project named Elkhart Road from Sherman Road to Village of Edwardsburg to resurface with structural overlay (0.36 miles) for a federal cost of \$34,000 (STP-U) and local cost of \$8,500 (MTF).

A motion was made by Berndt, supported by Getman-Dissette to recommend that the Policy committee amend the FY 2008-2011 TIP to include the above mentioned modifications.

Motion Approved.

The City of Niles requested the following amendments to the NATS FY 2008-11 Transportation Improvement Program:

- Delete in FY 2009, ARRA project named South Third Street for a federal cost of \$45,000.
- Delete in FY 2009, ARRA project named 13th Street for a federal cost of \$31,680.
- Delete in FY 2009, ARRA project named 17th Street for a federal cost of \$41,913.

- Delete in FY 2009, ARRA project named Broadway for a federal cost of \$20,927.
- Delete in FY 2009, ARRA project named Grant Street for a federal cost of \$15,585.
- Delete in FY 2009, ARRA project named Lake Street for a federal cost of \$43,281.
- Delete in FY 2009, ARRA project named East Main Street for a federal cost of \$23,372.
- Delete in FY 2009, ARRA project named Pokagon Street for a federal cost of \$10,772.
- Delete in FY 2009, ARRA project named Sycamore Street for a federal cost of \$28,680.
- Delete in FY 2009, ARRA project named Terminal Road for a federal cost of \$22,599.
- Delete in FY 2009, ARRA project named Wayne Street for a federal cost of \$23,775.
- Add in FY 2009, ARRA project named East Main Street from Maple Street to 17th Street (0.65 miles) to cold mill, resurface, ADA ramps, and pavement markings for a federal cost of \$221,100.
- Add in FY 2009, ARRA project named Lake Street from Fifth Street to Eleventh Street (0.29 miles) to cold mill, resurface, ADA ramps, and pavement markings for a federal cost of \$86,900.

A motion was made by Woolcock, supported by Getman-Dissette to recommend that the Policy committee amend the FY 2008-2011 TIP to include the above mentioned modifications. Motion Approved.

7. Public Comment

- None

8. Privilege of the Floor

- Woolcock announced that Lansing signal will pay for the construction cost of the intersection improvement at M-51 and Chestnut.

9. Adjournment

Motion by Harden, seconded by Woolcock, to dismiss the meeting. Motion approved.

- The meeting was adjourned at 2:26 pm. The next meeting is June 23, 2009 at 1:30 P.M.

Minutes compiled by: Nickolas Musson, Transportation Planner, 6/01/09