

Meeting Summary
Policy Committee Meeting
February 23, 2018 10:00am
OC Fire Training Center
9 Training Center Lane, New Hampton, NY
Classroom 1

Meeting Participants

Name:

Harry Porr
David Church
Julie Richmond
Ashlee Long
Lauren Burns
Sandra Jobson
Nicole Farmer
Marc Albrecht
Lizy Philip
Thomas Faggione
Charles Carnes
Michael Sweeton
Gary Spears
Kelly Decker
Jack Farr

Organization:

Orange County, Director of Operations
Orange County Planning, Commissioner
Orange County Planning, Deputy Commissioner
Orange County Planning, Planner
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New York State Department of Transportation, Region 8
New York State Department of Transportation, Region 8
Metropolitan Transportation Authority
New York State Thruway Authority
Orange County Legislature
Town of Crawford, Town Supervisor
Town of Warwick, Town Supervisor
Town of Deerpark, Town Supervisor
City of Port Jervis, Mayor
City of Port Jervis, Commissioner of Department of
Public Works
City of Newburgh, City Manager
Fusco Engineering (Town of Chester)
Village of Walden, Village Manager
City of Middletown, Commissioner of Department of
Public Works
Village of Kiryas Joel
Town of New Windsor, Councilman

Michael Ciaravino
Al Fusco
John Revella
Jacob Tawil

Ari Felberman
Steve Moreau

Call to Order and Introductions

Mr. Porr, Orange County Director of Operations, called the meeting to order. The meeting began with introductions.

Opportunity for Public Comment

Mr. Porr asked if there was any public comment; there was none.

Approve August 15, 2017 Meeting Summary

Mr. Porr asked for comments on the August 15, 2017 Policy Committee meeting summary; there were none. The summary was accepted as drafted.

Adoption of Resolution 2018-01: 2018-2019 Unified Planning Work Program

Ms. Long introduced the SFY 2018-2019 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). The UPWP went out for 14 days of public comment and received one comment from NYSDOT Main Office regarding formatting changes for various tables. Ms. Long informed the committee that the content remains

unchanged. Mr. Revella asked about the grant allocations, referring to Table 4: P217.13.80A, 2017-2018 FTA. Ms. Long replied that the OCTC will bill to the remaining 2015 FTA funds to expend those funds first.

Mr. Porr asked for all those in favor and the resolution passed unanimously.

Adoption of Resolution 2018-02: FTA Section 5307 Unallocated Funding Loan Ulster County

Ms. Long introduced the FTA Section 5307 Unallocated Funding Loan to Ulster County. Ms. Long informed the committee that due to an impasse between New York and New Jersey at the State level, the FTA Section 5307 funds for FFY 2017 have not yet been sub-allocated. Ulster County is requesting a loan of \$457,578 from the 5307 unallocated funds to be repaid once the 2017 funds are distributed. Mr. Porr asked if there would be any negative impacts on Orange County and Ms. Long replied that Orange County does not traditionally require funds from the FTA unallocated pot as Orange County receives ample enough funds from the annual allocation. This loan will allow Ulster County to continue operating public transit and demonstrates coordination between members of the Mid-Hudson Valley Transportation Management Area (TMA).

Mr. Porr asked for all those in favor and the resolution passed unanimously.

Adoption of Resolution 2018-03: Transportation Improvement Program Amendment OCTC17-05

Ms. Long introduced Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment OCTC17-05. The Council held a special planning committee meeting on February 9, 2018 to identify and discuss offset funding for three projects (PINs 875664 & 875708 - City of Port Jervis, PIN 875699 – City of Middletown, and PIN 875987 – Town of New Windsor) on the OCTC 2017-2021 TIP that were on schedule to go to construction in FFY 2018 according to the project sponsors. Projects on OCTC17-05 include:

- PIN 800530 – Route 17K Bloomingburg Rd to Route 302 repaving (NYSDOT). This is a new project being added.
- PIN 814524 – New York State Route 211 from the Middletown City line to Goshen Turnpike in the Town of Wallkill in Orange County (NYSDOT). This is a new project being added.
- PIN 875664 – Route 6/Neversink Bridge Rehabilitation (City of Port Jervis). The project sponsor requested a funding increase of \$3.3 million. Ms. Long noted that the e-STIP program was down as of February 22nd and there were some changes that still needed to be made. The PIT BOND funds were over programmed on OCTC17-05 and needed to remove the third PIT BOND funding source in the amendment. The Council agreed that the Resolution will be passed with the understanding of the pending approvals mentioned above. Mr. Sweeton asked about the change total for PIN 875664. The reallocation of \$3.3 million was offset by \$2.5 million from PIN 8761.41 and \$0.118 from PIN 8759.23. The remaining funding was made whole by NHPP funds from the accompanying highway pin in Port Jervis (PIN 8757.08).
- PIN 875699 – James P. Kelly Way (City of Middletown). The project sponsor requested a funding increase of \$0.500 and was offset by PIN 8761.41 (sidewalk and roadway improvements in the Village of Kiryas Joel). Mr. Tawil expressed regards towards the Village of Kiryas Joel for sharing funding and delaying their project to offset James P. Kelly Way project.
- PIN 875705 – Orange County Heritage Trail Segment 3 (Orange County). CMAQ Funds (\$2.719 million) from this PIN were used as an offset for the Construction/Construction Inspection phases of PIN 8757.08 (East Main Street realignment and pedestrian facility improvements). Mr. Porr expressed that the Committee was able to work together in finding offsets for the multiple PINs requesting them. He specifically highlighted the Village of Kiryas Joel for their aid in utilizing one of their PINs as an offset. Mr. Porr continued to explain that the OC Legislature bonded \$2 million to ensure the construction of the Heritage Trail Segment 3, which the County is dedicated to completing and has confidence will continue on schedule. Ms. Long stated that Resolution

2018-03 has language that says the next allocation of funding will prioritize PIN 876141 and PIN 875705 to be made whole at the earliest possible time.

- PIN 875708 – East Main Street: County Route 15 to Maple Avenue, alignment work and new/improved pedestrian facilities (City of Port Jervis). The project sponsor requested a funding increase, which was offset by PINs 8757.05 and 8T07.16 (CMAQ Block funding). In order to best utilize the limited funds on the TIP, NHPP funds were reassigned from this PIN to PIN 875664 and then backfilled with CMAQ.
- PIN 875923 – Larkin Drive West, initial design funds (Orange County). This project decreased funds as an offset of \$0.118 in STP LG Urban to PIN 875664.
- PIN 875987 – Lake Road Bridge Replacement (Town of New Windsor). This project increased funding by \$1.4 million through repurposed earmark funds (NY376) from PIN 876097 and an offset in the amount of \$0.600 million from PIN 876141.
- PIN 876097 – Riley Road, Shore Drive, and Area Road improvements (Town of New Windsor). This PIN was used as an offset for PIN 875987 and was deleted from the OCTC 2017-2021 TIP.
- PIN 876141 – Roadway and sidewalk improvements (Village of Kiryas Joel). This project reduced funds to offset PIN 875699 (\$0.500m), PIN 875664 (\$2.150m), and PIN 875987(\$0.600m). Resolution 2018-03 includes language stating that the next allocation of funding will prioritize PIN 876141 to be made whole for the amount of \$3.250 million in federal funding at the earliest possible time. Mr. Felberman dedicated the act in memory of Gedalye Szegedin's father, Jacob Szegedin..
- PIN 8T0716 – OCTC CMAQ Block funding was moved from FFY 2021 to FFY 2018 and funding was reduced by \$2.500 million to be used as an offset for PIN 875708.

Mr. Porr asked for all those in favor and the resolution passed unanimously.

Mr. Decker thanked the Council from the City of Port Jervis residents and businesses, as well as the Village of Kiryas Joel, the County Executive, and the County Legislature for their support in building the project. Mr. Faggione, as a resident of Port Jervis and small business owner, thanked the Council for their cooperation and funding the project. Mr. Faggione stated that as a Legislator he is supportive of the Heritage Trail and will stay committed every step of the way to fund and build the trail.

Mr. Porr applauded the Council for their cooperation in finding funding for the projects in need.

Staff Reports

Ms. Long reminded the Committee that the Pedestrian Safety Action Plan (PSAP) applications are due March 9th. Ms. Jobson informed the Committee that the Bridge NY informational webinar would be today (February 23, 2018) at 2:30pm and was being recorded if you could not make it in the afternoon.

Mr. Church asked about the proposed train station at Woodbury Commons mentioned by Governor Andrew Cuomo. Mr. Church noted the Southeast Orange Land Use and Transportation Study advocated for the station at that location and asked MTA or NYSDOT if they know anything more about it. Neither Ms. Jobson nor Mr. Albrecht knew anymore details

New Business

There was no new business.

Mr. Porr adjourned the meeting at 10:28 AM.