



Franklin Regional Council of Governments

Franklin County Transportation Planning Organization

Date:	May 23, 2017
Time:	12:30 p.m.
Location:	12 Olive Street, Greenfield, MA
Duration:	33 minutes
Facilitator:	Stephen Woelfel, Chair,

FCTPO Members in Attendance:

Stephen Woelfel, MassDOT and representing Secretary Stephanie Pollack
Donna Feng, MassDOT Highway Division and representing Highway Administrator Jonathan Gulliver.
Linda Dunlavy, representing FRCOG Executive Committee.
Robert Dean, Western County Representative
Bill Perlman, Regionally Elected Representative
Michael Perreault- Representing Lance Fritz, Franklin Regional Transit Authority, Chair
Donald Ouellette, DPW-Representing the Mayor of Greenfield

Guests:

Mark Moore, MassDOT – District 1
Peter Frieri, MassDOT – District 1
Richard Masse, MassDOT – District 2
Laura Hanson, MassDOT – District 2
Bryan Pounds, MassDOT – OTP
Brandon Wilcox, FHWA

Staff:

Peggy Sloan, Director of Planning & Development
Maureen Mullaney, Transportation & GIS Program Manager II
Beth Giannini, Senior Transportation Planner II
Laurie Scarbrough, Transportation Planning Engineer
Megan Rhodes, Senior Transportation/Land Use Planner
Jessica McMillin, Public Health/Transportation Planner
Ann Dunne, Assistant Planner

1 – Welcome and Introductions: Stephen Woelfel (Chair)

The meeting was called to order at 12:30 pm by Chair, Stephen Woelfel. A round of introductions followed.

2 – Review and Approval of April 25, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Bill Perlman MOVED to approve the April 25, 2017 minutes. Bob Dean SECONDED. The motion passed unanimously.

3 – Review and vote to endorse the 2018-2022 Transportation Improvement Program: Laurie Scarbrough, FRCOG

Laurie Scarbrough presented for review and vote the 2018- 2022 Transportation Improvement Program. Laurie received one letter of comment from MassDOT, Office of Transportation Planning, and all comments and corrections are were addressed.

Some changes/increases in project cost estimates were noted as follows:

- 2018 Project # 607253 Erving - Erving-Streetscape & pedestrian Improvements on Route 63, from River Street to 1,200 ft. North of Lillian Way (1 mile)
The total project cost \$635,223, funded with combination of CMAQ and Sec. 115 Earmark; TEC score 6.3; DEMO ID
- 2020 Project # 607538 Colrain – Colrain-Intersection Improvements @ Main Rd, Jacksonville Rd (Route 112) & Greenfield Rd.
Construction; total project cost of \$1,563,692- inflated 4% per year to \$1,688,787; TEC score 11.3
- 2020 Project # 607245 Sunderland - Sunderland Resurfacing & related work on a section of North Main Street (Route 47) from Route 116 to Claybrook Drive.
Construction; total project cost of \$2,114,204-- inflated 4% per year to \$2,283,340; TEC score 10.8

Linda Dunlavy made a motion to approve the 2018-2022 Transportation Improvement Program as presented. Bill Perlman SECONDED. The motion was UNANIMOUSLY approved

Laurie noted the Leverett/Kelm Rd Bridge project is funded by Chapter 90 funds through the Town of Leverett. The project will be removed from the TIP list.

4 – Review and vote to endorse 2018 United Planning work program: Meghan Rhodes, FRCOG

Meghan presented for review and vote the revised 2018 Franklin Unified Planning Work Program: Megan received one comment from MassDOT, and noted the adjustment under 3.1 Regional Transportation Plan.

Bob Dean made a motion to approve the 2018 Franklin Unified Planning Work Program as presented. Linda Dunlavy SECONDED. The motion was UNANIMOUSLY approved.

5 – Review and vote to endorse critical urban and rural freight corridors in Franklin County. Laurie Scarbrough, FRCOG

Laurie Scarbrough presented for review and vote the critical urban and rural freight corridors in Franklin County.

MassDOT is updating the Statewide Freight Plan. The Franklin County designated share of the critical urban and rural freight corridors is 33.39 miles for rural, and 0.72 for urban. Laurie amended the list to fill in the gaps in the rural area to use up our designated mileage, and identified a total of 31.35 miles and 0.72 respectively.

Linda Dunlavy made a motion to approve the identified critical urban and rural freight corridors. Bob Dean SECONDED. The motion was UNANIMOUSLY approved.

**6 – Review and vote to endorse an Adjustment to the 2017 Transit TIP
Laurie Scarbrough, FRCOG**

Laurie presented the administrative adjustment to the 2017 Transit TIP for approval, and highlighted the adjustments to the non-federal funds projects.

Three new projects were added:

- Franklin Regional Transit Authority #111402 Rehab/Rebuild 35-FT BUS - State Funds \$21,624 Total Cost \$21,624
- Franklin Regional Transit Authority #111240 Buy Assoc. Cap Maint. Items State Funds \$2,978 , Total Cost \$2,978
- Franklin Regional Transit Authority #111404 Rehab/Rebuild <30-FT Bus - State Funds \$10,000.00, Total Cost \$10,000.00

Bill Perlman made a motion to approve the adjustment to the 2017 transit TIP. Bob Dean SECONDED. The motion was UNANIMOUSLY approved.

7 – Update from MassDOT District 1 & District 2

Peter Frieri gave the update from District 1.

FY17 Projects:

- Buckland Bridge Maintenance Route 112 over Route 2 and PAN AM RR., at the PS&E stage. ENV and ROW clearance obtained. Advertising date is 5/27/17.
- Buckland-Charlemont resurfacing & related work on route 2, from MM (R.R Bridge) to MM (Buckland/Shelburne T.L). Construction contract awarded to Lane Construction.

- Colrain BR Replacement – Heath Rd over West Branch North River – Advertised 4/15/17- Bid opening scheduled for 9/12/17
- Heath BR Replacement – Route 8A over Mill Brook – Advertised 1/21/17. The bid opening is scheduled for 8/8/17.
- Shelburne BR Replacement Bardwell Ferry RD – 4/15/17 - 100% design received, under review by MassDOT.

FY18 Projects

- Charlemont – Resurface and traffic calming- Rte 2 (Main St) - culvert rehab. (C-5-18) over Rice Brook. District anticipates submitting Right-of-Way plans late summer 2017 and 75% Design Plans in fall 2017.

Laura Hanson gave the update from District 2

FY18 Projects:

- Project # 608235- Greenfield – Greenfield Bridge Replacement, G-12-006. Nash’s Mill Road over Green River.

Laura reported that the Design Public Hearing for this project will be held on 5/25/17 at the Greenfield High School by MassDOT to discuss the proposed Nash’s Mill Road Bridge Replacement project in Greenfield, MA.

Laura noted the ‘concrete deck pour’, as part of the bicycle and pedestrian bridge from Greenfield Road in Montague is rescheduled for August.

8 – Update from FRCOG

Laurie received 12 bike rack orders from several towns, and the next bike rack purchase deadline is July 15. Staff is working with the towns to do more outreach and provide more bike racks throughout the region.

The bike breakfast was a big success, with over 25 participants arriving by bike.

Linda Dunlavy noted the FRCOG is celebrating their 20th Anniversary and events are planned throughout the summer and the fall, including highlights of projects accomplished over the years in all the Franklin County Towns.

Linda thanked MassDOT for their assistance in releasing the FRTA vans to the local social services organizations as part of the van-sharing project.

9 – Update from FRTA

Michael Perreault gave an update on the recent FRTA Executive Board Meeting decisions.

- The Board approved the fixed route changes, to be implemented in September.
- The Maintenance Facility Project has experienced a delay, the location requires some infrastructure upgrades.
- The Board Member from So. Deerfield asked the Transit Authority to revisit the Bridge on North Main Road Project. Michael is working with Maureen Mullaney and the Deerfield Town Administrator to draft a letter to submit to District 2.

10 – Update from Franklin Regional Planning Board: FRPB

Peggy Sloan noted the FRPB recently had staff presentations on Bike Tourism, the Small Bridge Program, and the Most Hazardous Intersections in Franklin County Study.

11 – Additional business not reasonably anticipated within 48 hours

It was noted that MassWorks Grant application deadline has moved up to August 04.

12 – Next Meeting/Adjourn

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the TPO is the 4th Tuesday of June.

Bob Dean MOVED to adjourn the meeting. Linda Dunlavy SECONDED.

The meeting adjourned at 1:03 p.m.