FCTPO Members in Attendance:

Dave Mohler, MassDOT and representing Secretary Stephanie Pollack
Lance Fritz, Franklin Regional Transit Authority, Chair
Donald Ouellette, DPW-Representing the Mayor of Greenfield
Bill Perlman, FRCOG Regionally Elected Representative
Kevin Fox, FRCOG Executive Committee

Guests:
Mark Moore, MassDOT – District 1
Peter Frieri, MassDOT – District 1
Richard Masse, MassDOT – District 2
Jeffrey Hoynoski, MassDOT–District 2
Mike Bolduc, MassDOT- District 2
Gabe Sherman, MassDOT – OTP
Quinn Molloy, MassDOT
Cassandra Gascon, MassDOT
Ken Miller, FHWA
Tom Miner, FRPB
Michael Perreault, Franklin Regional Transit Authority
Nicholas Reitzel, DPW
Dan Murphy, Town of Sunderland

Staff:
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
Ann Dunne, Assistant Planner
1 – Welcome and Introductions: Dave Mohler (Chair)

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

2 – Review and Approval of August 22, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Lance Fritz MOVED to approve the August 22, 2017 minutes. Bill Perlman SECONDED. The motion passed unanimously.

3 – Review and vote to release for a 21 – day public review and comment period an Amendment to the 2018-2022 TIP: Laurie Scarbrough, FRCOG.

Laurie presented the summary of the TIP administrative adjustments and amendments. Laurie requested members to vote to release the Amendment to the 2018-2022 TIP for a 21-day public review and comment period.

Adjustments

FFY 2018, Highway Projects, Section 1A

- Erving – Streetscape & Pedestrian Improvements on Route 63, from River Street to 1,200 ft. north of Lillian Way (1 mile). Request to change the funding source from CMAQ to STP. The cost remains the same.

FFY 2019, Highway Projects, Section 1A

- Orange- Reconstruction of North Main Street, from School Street to Lincoln Avenue (0.4 miles) including the relocation of the Fall Hill Brook culvert. Request to change the funding source from CMAQ to STP. The cost remains the same.

FFY 2020, State Prioritized Reliability Projects, Section 2A, Bridge Program / On-System (NHS)

Amendments:

- Orange - Request to split the cost of the bridge replacement project on Route 2 over Route 202, between FFY 2020 and FFY 2021. The cost in FFY 2020 = $8,235,744. The total project cost is $16,471,488.

FFY 2021, State Prioritized Reliability Projects, Section 2A

- Orange – Request to split the cost of the bridge replacement project on Route 2 over Route 202, between FFY 2020 and FFY 2021. The cost in FFY 2021 = $8,235,744.
The total project cost is $16,471,488

- Colrain - Request to add the bridge/ deck preservation project, on Route 112 over the North River to FFY 2021. The total project cost is $427,000.00.

**FFY 2022, State Prioritized Reliability Projects, Section 2A**

- Greenfield- Request to move the bridge replacement project from FFY 2021 to FFY 2022. The total project cost is $17,082,074.

  Pat Paul agreed to evaluate the maintenance status of the bridge in Greenfield.

*Lance Fritz made a motion to release the TIP Amendment for a 21–day public review and comment period. Bill Perlman SECONDED. The motion was UNANIMOUSLY approved.*

*Bill Perlman made a motion to approve the adjustment to the 2018-2022 TIP. Lance Fritz SECONDED. The motion was UNANIMOUSLY approved.*

**4 – Presentation on MassDOT’S new project intake tool (MaPIT) and other GeoDOT products: Quinn Molloy, MassDOT**

Quinn Molloy presented an overview of the new project intake tool (MaPIT) functionality and other GeoDOT products.

The goals are to streamline workflows, to provide online interactive data tools for the user and to reduce the replication of tasks at the local and municipal level. The tool will assist local communities in submitting a project need form (PNF) for a new project, and does not require a consultant to do so.

Maureen noted that the FRCOG and the District could assist communities that may be unable to utilize the database due to lack of broadband access.

**5 – Update from MassDOT District 1 & District 2**

Peter Frieri gave the update of the current TIP projects from District 1.

**FFY 2016 Projects**

- Shelburne Intersection Improvements at Route 2 & Colrain/Shelburne Road. The only work remaining is milling the highway on Route 2, paving the final top course on the highway and on the side of the road, the final pavement markings, and the guardrail installation. All other
work is complete.
  o Heath-Bridge Replacement Sadoga Rd over Burrington Brook. The contractor installed the precast abutments. The project is on track for completion by the end of October 2017.

FY17 Projects:
  o Buckland Bridge Maintenance Route 112 over Route 2 and PAN AM RR. Project advertised on May 27, 2017. Bid opening scheduled for November 28, 2017.
  o Buckland-Charlemont resurfacing & related work on route 2, from MM (R.R Bridge) to MM (Buckland/Shelburne T.L). June 21, 2017 NTP granted to Lane Construction. Work is scheduled to start next week, concentrating on milling the existing roadway and paving intermediate course this fall. Next spring all other related work will commence with final paving next summer.
  o Colrain BR Replacement – Heath Rd over West Branch North River. Clayton Davenport Trucking INC was awarded the project.
  o Heath BR Replacement at Route 8A over Mill Brook. JH Maxymillian was awarded the project.
  o Shelburne BR replacement at Bardwell Ferry Road over Dragon Brook. The bid opening will be on 1/17/2018.

FFY 2018
  o Charlemont – Resurface and Traffic Calming at Rte. 2 (Main St), the culvert rehabilitation over Rice Brook. The district submitted a revised right-of-way plan, and anticipates an early winter 75% design submittal.

Jeff Hoynoski gave the update from District 2
  o Erving- Streetscape & Pedestrian Improvements on Route 63. The project is at 25% and a design public hearing is scheduled for Oct. 26, 2017
  o Greenfield- Nash’s Mill Road over the Green River. The project is at 75% and the 100% submission is due at the end of November 2017.
  o Deerfield- Bernardston- Greenfield- resurfacing on I-91. The project was advertised in September, and has a bid opening date of Dec. 19, 2017
  o Orange- Bridge Replacement, Holtshire Road over Millers River. The project was advertised in September, and has a bid opening date of June 9, 2018

6 – Update from FRCOG

Maureen Mullaney gave an update for the FRCOG.

Maureen noted the FRCOG celebrated their 20th Anniversary with an open house on October 13, 2017, and thanked everyone who was able to attend. Maureen also reported on the FFY17 obligation report, and noted that Franklin County received a little over
$31,000,000.00 of transportation funding in FY 17. The FRCOG were the recipients of three MassWorks transportation projects in the region. Maureen noted the upcoming Erving streetscape public hearing is scheduled for October 26, 2017.

7 – Update from FRTA:

Michael Perreault gave an update for the FTRA.

- Two new buses were delivered in September, and are now in service.
- The FRTA launched the new fixed routes changes on September 05, 2017.
- STV, Inc. was awarded the contract for architectural and engineering services to design the new maintenance facility.

8 – Update from FRPB

Tom Miner gave the update for the FRPB.

- The UMass, MA Geological Survey and the MA Department of Transportation completed the stream crossing explorer tool. This will help towns with resiliency and hazard mitigation planning. The FRPB will receive a presentation on this tool at their next meeting on November 2, 2017.
- FRCOG planning staff is working with towns to secure funding to update their hazard mitigation plans, which will address ways to help protect road and other infrastructure.

9 – Additional business not reasonably anticipated within 48 hours.

None

10 – Next meeting/Adjourn

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the TPO is the 4th Tuesday of November - 11/28/2017 at 12 Noon.

David Mohler MOVED to adjourn the meeting. Lance Fritz SECONDED. The meeting adjourned at 1:07 p.m.