

# Secretarial Notes

## DMATS Policy and Technical Advisory Board Joint meeting

**Date:** Thursday, November 12, 2020  
**Time:** 12:00 p.m.  
**Place:** ECIA, 7600 Commerce Park

**DMATS Policy Board Members Present:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Roy Buol (chair)</b><br><i>Mayor, City of DBQ</i>                             | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Laura Roussel</b><br><i>DBQ City Council</i>   | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Danny Sprank</b><br><i>DBQ City Council</i>                                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Kevin Lynch</b><br><i>DBQ City Council</i>                      |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Ric Jones</b><br><i>DBQ City Council</i>                           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>David Resnick</b><br><i>DBQ City Council</i>                              | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Brad Cavanagh</b><br><i>DBQ City Council</i>                               | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>John Klostermann**</b><br><i>(proxy for DBQ City Council)</i>              |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Mike Van Milligen**</b><br><i>(proxy for DBQ City Council)</i>     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Gus Psihoyos**</b><br><i>(proxy for DBQ City Council)</i>                 | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Vacant</b><br><i>(proxy for DBQ City Council)</i>                          | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Marie Ware**</b><br><i>(proxy for DBQ City Council)</i>                    |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Wally Wernimont**</b><br><i>(proxy for DBQ City Council)</i>       | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Jim Adams</b><br><i>Mayor, City of Asbury (proxy John Richey)</i>                    | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Kirk VanOstrand</b><br><i>Mayor, City of East DBQ (proxy Loras Herrig)</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Troy Maggied</b><br><i>SWWRPC City Council</i>                  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Jay Wickham</b><br><i>Transit Rep. (RTA) (proxy Tricia Wagner)</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Francis Schelfhout</b><br><i>Wisconsin DOT (proxy Stephen Flottmeyer)</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Doug DeLille</b><br><i>Illinois DOT (proxy Rob Bates)</i>       | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Ann McDonough</b><br><i>DBQ County Supervisor (proxy Anthony Bardgett)</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Larry Meescher</b><br><i>Small Cities Rep. City of Peosta (Proxy Vacant)</i>  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Don Zillig</b><br><i>Jo Daviess County</i>                                | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Matt Esser**</b><br><i>Jule Transit Rep. (proxy Renee Tyler)</i>           | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Beth Bonz</b><br><i>ECIA (proxy Kelley Deutmeyer)</i>                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Vacant</b><br><i>Grant County Representative</i>                              | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Sam Shea*</b><br><i>Iowa DOT (non-voting member)</i>                      |  |  |

**DMATS Technical Advisory Board Members Present:**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Wally Wernimont</b><br><i>City of Dubuque (proxy Jason Duba)</i>               | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Beth Bonz</b><br><i>City of Asbury</i>   | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Loras Herrig</b><br><i>City of East Dubuque</i>                 | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Tammy Henry</b><br><i>Dubuque County</i>                  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Gus Psihoyos (chair)</b><br><i>Engineer, City of DBQ (proxy Bob Schiesl)</i>   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Anthony Bardgett(vice-chair)</b><br><i>Engineer, DBQ County (proxy Russell Weber)</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Steve Keeffer</b><br><i>Engineer, Jo Daviess County, IL</i>     | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Dave Lambert</b><br><i>Engineer Grant County, WI</i>      |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Renee Tyler**</b><br><i>Jule Transit (proxy Jake Ironside)</i>                 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Tricia Wagner</b><br><i>Regional Transit Authority (RTA)</i>                          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Troy Maggied</b><br><i>SWWPRC</i>                    | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Kelley Deutmeyer</b><br><i>ECIA (proxy Tricia Wagner)</i> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Kris Tobin**</b><br><i>Illinois DOT (proxy Rob Bates) (proxy Doug DeLille)</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Stephen Flottmeyer**</b><br><i>Wisconsin DOT (proxy Francis Schelfhout)</i>           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Sam Shea*</b><br><i>Iowa DOT (non-voting member)</i> |   |

**Others Present:** Dave Solberg; Jim Schnoebelen; Whitney Baethke; Ernie Bolibaugh; Brandon Geber; Hendrica Regez; Aaron Moniza

**Staff Present:**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Chandra Ravada</b><br>*Non-Voting Member | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Dan Fox</b><br>**Voting member by Proxy | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Sarah Berning</b> |
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\*\*\* Attendance by phone

**A quorum was present for DMATS Policy and Technical Advisory Board**

## **Call to Order**

The DMATS Technical Advisory Board meeting was called to order by DMATS Technical Advisory Board Chair, Gus Psihoyos.

The DMATS Policy Board meeting was called to order by DMATS Policy Board Member David Resnick. Introductions were made at this time.

## **Review/Approve the Agenda for the Thursday, November 12, 2020 DMATS Joint Technical Advisory and Policy Board meeting**

Motion by Bates, second by Bardgett to approve the agenda for the Thursday, November 12, 2020 DMATS Technical Advisory Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Wickham, second by Lynch to approve the agenda for the Thursday, November 12, 2020 DMATS Policy Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

## **Review/Approve the minutes and receive and file the secretarial notes from the Thursday, September 10, 2020 meeting**

Motion by Wernimont, second by Bates to approve the amended minutes and receive and file the secretarial notes from the Thursday, September 10, 2020 DMATS Technical Advisory Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Van Milligen, second by Wickham to approve the minutes and receive and file the secretarial notes from the Thursday, September 10, 2020 DMATS Policy Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

## **Review/Approve resolution for adopting Iowa and Illinois Department of Transportation targets for performance measures related to bridge and pavement conditions on the National Highway System (NHS), and system performance on the NHS**

Ravada referred to the resolution stating MPO will be following the IA DOT targets. Ravada stated the resolution notes the changes made by the IA DOT to their targets, which MPO will also adopt and follow updated targets.

Ravada referred to the Illinois DOT resolution, stating a few more changes were made to IL DOT targets. Ravada stated MPO will be following the IL DOT targets for performance measures.

Motion by Bardgett, second by Wernimont to recommend approval to the DMATS Policy Board of the resolution for adopting Iowa and Illinois Department of Transportation targets for

performance measures related to bridge and pavement conditions on the National Highway System (NHS) and system performance on the NHS. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Wickham, second by Lynch to approve the resolution for adopting Iowa and Illinois Department of Transportation targets for performance measures related to bridge and pavement conditions on the National Highway System (NHS) and system performance on the NHS. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Review/Approve Request for Proposal (RFP) for Passenger Rail Feasibility Study between Rockford, IL and Dubuque, IA**

Ravada referred to the RFP for the passenger rail feasibility study, stating the issue date for the RFP will be November 16, 2020. The outcome of this feasibility study is to obtain the cost for a passenger rail from Rockford, IL to Dubuque, IA. Ravada stated this study was requested by the passenger rail groups and IL DOT.

Ravada stated RFP will be issued November 16<sup>th</sup>, closing date is December 18<sup>th</sup> by noon and interviews will be conducted within the first two weeks of January. Ravada asked for approval to release RFP.

Wickham asked if this type of study has been conducted before.

Ravada stated Amtrak conducted a study in 2008. Due to the outdated study and prices changing, we need to update this study. Ravada noted that IL DOT has a project approved from Chicago to Rockford which is in the environmental phase.

Motion by Wernimont, second by Bardgett to recommend approval to the DMATS Policy Board for Request for Proposal (RFP) for Passenger Rail Feasibility Study between Rockford, IL and Dubuque, IA. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Resnick, second by Lynch to approve the Request for Proposal (RFP) for Passenger Rail Feasibility Study between Rockford, IL and Dubuque, IA. The motion passed; Zillig opposed.

### **Review/Approve amendments to DMATS Fiscal Year 2021 Transportation Planning Work Program (TPWP)**

Motion by Jones, second by Wickham to open public hearing. The motion passed unanimously. The public hearing opened at 12:23 p.m.

Ravada referred to the TPWP handout stating the amendment to the TPWP is the addition of the Dubuque Ports Study into the FY21 work program budget.

Motion by Wernimont, second by Bardgett to recommend approval to the DMATS Policy Board amendments to DMATS Fiscal Year 2021 Transportation Planning Work Program (TPWP). The motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Lynch, second by Jones to approve the amendments to DMATS Fiscal Year 2021 Transportation Planning Work Program (TPWP). The motion passed unanimously.

### **Review/Approve amendments to DMATS FFY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**

Ravada referred to the TIP handout explaining the amendments to the DMATS FFY 2021-2024 TIP:

- Dubuque, Chavanelle Road, from IA 32 (NW Arterial) to Radford Road; trail project; outside services engineering, ped/bike grade and amp, pave

Ravada stated this project was added due to letting being pushed back until March FY20.

Motion by Bardgett, second by Bates to recommend approval to the DMATS Policy Board of the amendments to DMATS FFY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Wickham, second by Jones to approve the amendments to DMATS FFY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Wickham, second by Lynch to close public hearing. The motion passed unanimously. The public hearing closed at 12:27 p.m.

### **Update on Dubuque County's BUILD grant project**

Moniza updated the board on the John Deere corridor project. He stated the initial recommendations are as followed:

- Construction of 2-one lane roundabouts; intersection of Peru Rd and South John Deere Rd and South Parking Lot entrance
- Addition of a trail along W John Deere Road
- Realign S. John Deere Road and add turning lanes

Moniza stated some of the benefits to the improvements looking to be made; free-flowing traffic, reduce travel time, reduce pollution, and help reduce travel speeds, which helps with safety issues within the corridor. Moniza stated the recommended improvements are within the budget.

Discussion followed.

## **Comments from public on an item that did not appear on the agenda**

No comments were made by the public.

## **Other Business**

### **Annual Board Meeting**

Berning reminded the Board of the December annual Board meeting with DMATS and RPA 8 Boards, where Stu Anderson from IADOT will address the Boards, it is scheduled for Thursday December 10th.

## **Adjournment**

Motion by Wernimont, second by Bardgett to adjourn the Thursday, November 12, 2020 DMATS Technical Advisory Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously. The DMATS Technical Advisory Board meeting adjourned at 12:48 p.m.

Motion by Wickham, second by Jones to adjourn the Thursday, November 12, 2020 DMATS Policy Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously. The DMATS Policy Board meeting adjourned at 12:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chandra Ravada  
ECIA Director of Transportation and Planning