Northern Tier RPO Regional Transportation Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday, June 10, 2019
10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Northern Tier Offices
Towanda, PA

Attendance:
Brian Baker, Northern Tier
Ethan Sexton, Northern Tier
Katie Prichard, Northern Tier
Dakoatah Manning, Northern Tier
Matt Williams, Bradford County Planning
Kerry Nelson, Tioga County Planning
Mark Hamilton, Tioga County Commissioner
Brian Hoffman, Sullivan County Commissioner
Bob Getz, Sullivan County
Jack Conroy, Susquehanna County
Alex Komar, Susquehanna County
Carey Mullins, PennDOT Central Office
Justin Batiuk, PennDOT District 3-0
Emma Pugh, PennDOT District 4-0
Steve Fisher, PennDOT District 4-0
Ethan MacDonald, PennDOT District 4-0
Chuck Dillon, Sen. Joseph Scarnati
Jason Krise, Representative Tina Pickett
Kevin Kilpatrick, BEST
Al Quimby, Develop Tioga

I. Items for Discussion
A. Approve April 8, 2019 Minutes
- NATP to be changed to MATP in last meeting minutes. A motion was made by Matt Williams to accept the April meeting minutes, seconded by Carey Mullins, the motion carried unanimously.

B. 2019 – 2022 TIP Administrative Actions and Amendments –
District 3.0 – Amendments & Admin Actions
- All administrative actions, no amendments necessary
- Project #2 – Add study phase to TIP
- Project #6 – Decrease to meet updated estimate
- Project #8 – Increase to meet updated estimate
- Project #12 – Move up PE phase to 2019 to start design

District 4.0 – Amendments & Admin Actions
- Administrative actions
- Project #2 & 3 – Add the final design and ROW phase to TIP
- Project #4 – Add funds to Nicholson Train Station for unforeseen cost increase
- Project #5 – Add multimodal funded project to TIP
- Project #14 & 15 – Add PE and ROW phase
- Project #17 & 18 – Add PE and ROW phase
- Project #20 & 21 – Add PE and ROW phase
- Project #28 – Add construction phase to TIP
- Project #30 – Increase CON phase

C. PennDOT District 3.0 and District 4.0 Safety Reviews
- Northern Tier, PennDOT district safety engineers, Central Office, and PennDOT district planners looked at multiple locations for safety concerns.

D. LRTP Update, Gannett Fleming Consultant
- LRTP will be done in house as well as by a Gannett Fleming. The update will be completed in February 2020. Estimated to be adopted in April 2020. Weekly conference calls will be made to keep project on track.

E. Public Participation Plan Updates
- PPP was sent to PennDOT Bureau of Equal Opportunity for suggestions. Updates will finish this month in house and sent out for a 45 day review period.

F. Bike/Ped./Local Coordinated Plan RFP Update
- The draft of the Bike/Ped./Local Coordinated Plan was sent out to all stakeholders for review. Final plan should be done by the end of the month. The plan will be sent to PennDOT and the executive board to be approved. The plan will go out for 30 day public review and comment.

G. 2020 – 2022 UPWP Update
- Conference call this week regarding the update. The UPWP update is required to be completed by November. UPWP will be updated in house.

H. BeST, Impact of Brokering, MATP video and Transit Annual Report
- The video highlighted the negative effects that will be felt by the brokering system. The Transit Annual Report was handed out and reviewed.

I. LTAP Training & Equipment Show Updates
- Susquehanna-Wyoming is currently at 20 vendors, catering is set, and the show will be held on Thursday, July 25th at Lazybrook Park. Tioga-Bradford show will be held on August 22nd at Alpine Park in Troy. Five LTAP classes were held in the spring. Going forward, there will only be one round in the spring.

J. Community Development GIS, What is Going On?
- Ethan has been meeting with people who have project ideas to determine if they should pursue grants. EMS Data Mapping presentation was given by Katie. Results showed that our region had higher than average EMS response times due to a variety of reasons.

II. Reports

A. Legislative Report:
   - Rep. Karen Boback – No one present
   - Rep. Tina Pickett – Budget time
   - Rep. Jonathan Fritz – No one present
   - Rep. Clint Owlett – No one present
   - Senator Gene Yaw – No one present
Senator Lisa Baker – No one present
Senator Joseph Scarnati – No comment
Congressman Marino – No one present

B. FHWA Report
   - No one present

C. PENNDOT Reports

   Central Office – Deputy Secretary Jim Ritzman is retiring from PennDOT and Larry Shifflet is taking his place.

   Dist. 3.0 – 706 project will be one lane. I-99 study is still ongoing and on track to be done fall 2019.

   Dist. 4.0 – Let date on the Gibson interchange is March 2021, but will most likely be pushed back. In final design on the 81 & 511 project, but the estimate is up to $160 million.

D. County Reports

   1. Bradford County – Awarded the contract for the first five bridges of the bridge bundle to Susquehanna Valley Construction. They will start work on June 15th.

   2. Sullivan County – No comment

   3. Susquehanna County – No comment

   4. Tioga County – Hoping to have secured funding to complete the Marsh Creek Greenway project by the end of 2019. Will have to pursue BUILD grant for $7.4 million.

   5. Wyoming County – No one present

E. BEST Report – No comment

F. BMTS Reports – No one present

G. NTRPDC Reports – Brian Baker stated that the next meeting is on August 12th at Miller’s Picnic Grove in Sullivan County.

IV. Other Items for Discussion – none.

V. Public Discussion – Lunch was provided by the NTRPDC.

VI. Adjournment - With no further items to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 12:00 PM