

**REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
POLICY BOARD AND TECHNICAL COMMITTEE**

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2020

1:00 PM

**INRCOG BOARD ROOM
229 EAST PARK AVENUE
WATERLOO, IA**

AGENDA

1. Review and consider approval of the minutes for the November 19, 2020 Policy Board and Technical Committee meeting.
2. Hold a Public Hearing and consider adoption of the final 2045 Long-Range Transportation Plan*.
3. Election of Officers
4. Project status report.
 - a. City and county project updates
 - b. Black Hawk County Water Trails Master Plan update
5. General discussion.
6. Adjournment.

*The LRTP is available at www.inrcog.org/trans.htm

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MINUTES

Due to the continuing COVID-19 pandemic, this meeting was held electronically in compliance with Iowa Code sections 21.4 and 21.8.

Chair Gissel called the meeting of the Iowa Northland Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) Policy Board and Technical Committee to order at 1:00 p.m.

Meeting Attendees:	Cathy Nicholas	Black Hawk County
	Linda Laylin	Black Hawk County Supervisors
	Landon Moore	Bremer County
	Dewey Hildebrandt	Bremer County Supervisors
	Brian Keierleber	Buchanan County
	Gary Gissel	Buchanan County Supervisors (Chair)
	Greg Barnett	Butler County Supervisors
	Dusten Rolando	Chickasaw County
	Mark Schildroth	Grundy County Supervisors
	Sheila Steffen	City of Dunkerton
	Chris Even	City of Jesup
	Al Roder	City of Independence
	Lois Buhr	City of Readlyn
	Mike Cherry	City of Waverly
	Krista Billhorn	Iowa DOT
	Kyle Durant	INRCOG
	Codie Leseman	INRCOG
	Brenda Vavroch	INRCOG

The first item on the agenda was to review and consider approval of the minutes for the November 19, 2020 Policy Board and Technical Committee meeting. It was moved by Schildroth, seconded by Hildebrandt to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Next on the agenda was to hold a Public Hearing and consider adoption of the final 2045 Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). Chair Gissel declared the Public Hearing open at 1:02 p.m. Durant said public hearing notices were published in six newspapers, one in each county. Several, Federal, State, Tribal, and local government agencies were notified that the draft LRTP was available for review and comment. A couple of comments have been incorporated into the final document. Proof of publication is on file. There being no further discussion, it was moved by Barnett, seconded by Nicholas to close the Public Hearing. Motion carried unanimously. The Public Hearing was closed at 1:06 p.m. It was then moved by Keierleber, seconded by Barnett to approve the final 2045 LRTP as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Next was the Election of Officers. The Nominating Committee is recommending Supervisor Greg Barnett for Chair, and Supervisor Dewey Hildebrandt for Vice-Chair. There being no further discussion, it was moved by Schildroth, seconded by Laylin to elect the slate of RTA Officers for 2021 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Next was a project status report:

Buchanan County

Keierleber said D16 is open, and the contractor is moving some dirt on the shoulders. The contractor for the D22 pavement rehab project will start this spring. A BUILD grant application will be submitted next year for statewide bridge replacements, and a project in Buchanan County is being considered for the application.

Black Hawk County

Nicholas said paving on Elk Run Rd and Schrock Rd has been completed. The Cedar Wapsi Rd Bridge is open, and the contractor is removing the old bridge.

Chickasaw County

Rolando said the two bridge projects in Fredericksburg and the white topping project on B44 are scheduled for a January letting.

Independence

Roder said the reconstruction project on IA Hwy 150 is scheduled for a January letting.

Waverly

Cherry said the final plans for the 1st St NW project have been submitted for a February letting. Design is continuing for the Rolling Prairie Trail Extension project on 10th Ave SW. Construction is now scheduled for spring 2022.

Bremer County

Moore said the County is working on plans for one bridge project, and a second bridge project is scheduled for a January letting.

Grundy County

Schildroth said Grundy and Black Hawk Counties have accepted the low bid for the Grundy Rd paving project which is anticipated to start in April.

Black Hawk County Water Trails Master Plan

Leseman said signage planning is nearly complete in the RTA area. Last Monday, the city council of La Porte City approved the installation of two wayfinding signs in city limits for the McFarlane Park access. Leseman discussed with county engineering and conservation board staff to confirm all signs within their jurisdiction and has been in contact with the City of Janesville's public works director about their signs.

In general discussion, Durant said TAP and STBG application materials will be sent out in January.

There being no further business, it was moved by Hildebrandt, seconded by Nicholas to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 1:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Codie Leseman
Acting Secretary