BLACK HAWK COUNTY METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSPORTATION POLICY BOARD

September 10, 2026

MINUTES

Becker (Chair) called the Black Hawk County Metropolitan Area Transportation Policy Board meeting to order at 10:00 am.

Meeting Attendees:

Name	Title	Representing	Role
Scott Becker	Mayor	City of Gilbertville	Policy Board Member (Chair)
Ritch Kurtenbach	Supervisor	Black Hawk County	Policy Board Member (Vice Chair)
David Wicke	City Engineer	City of Cedar Falls	TTC Member
Deanne Kobliska	Mayor	City of Evansdale	Policy Board Member
Ryan Brennan	Assistant County Engineer	Black Hawk County	TTC Member
Dave Bosen	Mayor	City of Waterloo	Policy Board Member
Noel Anderson*	Community Planning & Dev. Director	City of Waterloo	Policy Board 1st Alternate
David Sturch	General Manager	MET Transit	TTC Member`
Lisa Smock	Mayor	Cit of Elk Run Heights	Policy Board Member
Curtis Young	Chair	Waterloo CSAC	Attendee
Jake Hovey	Public Works Director	City of Hudson	TTC member
Julie Eastman	City Administrator/Clerk	City of Hudson	Policy Board 2nd Alternate
Mark Durbahn*	Project Manager	AECOM	Attendee
Cherrie Northrup	Planning Administrator	BHC Conservation	Attendee
Krista Billhorn*	District Planner	IDOT	Attendee
Gary Vick	Mayor	City of Raymond	Policy Board Member
Teri Reel	City Clerk	City of Raymond	Attendee
Jen Johnson	HR Manager & Comm. Specialist	INRCOG	INRCOG
Nick Fratzke	Director of Transportation	INRCOG	MPO Staff
Sanzida Rahman Setu*	Transportation Planner II	INRCOG	MPO Staff
Oghogho Oriakhi	Transportation Planner I	INRCOG	MPO Staff

**Attended Online*

The first item introduction and next was the approval of the agenda. It was moved by Vick, seconded by Kobliska, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Next, review and consider approval of the minutes of August 13, 2026, meeting. It was moved by Kurtenbach, seconded by Vick, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Next, review and consider approval of the resolution and letter of support for the MET Transit's Iowa Clean Air Attainment Program (ICAAP) application for the Microtransit Pilot Project. Sturch noted that the microtransit project is currently in the funding stage, and several grant applications are ongoing, noting the ICAAP application, which is due October 1st. Sturch added that resolutions and other forms of support are also being sought from the local jurisdictions and organizations. A motion to approve was moved by Kobliska and seconded by Vick. The motion carried unanimously.

Discussion Items.

1. Iowa DOT FHWA 2023-2027 Safety Performance Targets

Fratzke noted that the DOT uses a five-year rolling average to establish safety targets and has until October 1 to set the annual targets. Historically, the MPO has adopted DOT's targets following the 180-day review period. He also noted that there has generally been a decline in traffic fatalities and other safety-related measures.

2. **Project updates**
   a. City and county project updates
      - **City of Cedar Falls,** Wicke provided updates on several projects, including Main Street punch-list items; ongoing design and easement acquisition for 27th Street/Union Road, with a public information meeting forthcoming; ongoing construction at 1st Street/Union Road, expected to open in the fall; and a public information meeting scheduled for November 12, 2026, for 58th Street/Greenhill Road.
      - **City of Waterloo,** Anderson stated that the City Council approved the repair of Sergeant Road. For La Porte Road, the federal government has approved the project to move forward; however, the trail component be removed. An ongoing RISE grant for Big Rock Road.
      - **City of Raymond**, Vick mentioned that Lafayette Road has been substantially completed.
      - **City of Gilbertville,** Becker mentioned the Gilbertville project has been awarded, with contractor selection underway.

   b. Microtransit Solutions
      Sturch noted that the project is currently in the funding stage, with resolutions being sought from the local councils. Updates will be provided throughout the process, with Request for Proposals (RFP), and consultant selection anticipated in the fall. Fratzke added that grant awards are expected closer to spring 2027.

   c. NEIA NEPA Study
      Durbahn provided an update on the next steps of the NEIA NEPA study, including presenting the study results to various councils and discussing potential systems in place on how to respond to NOFOs as they become available.

3. **General discussion**.

4. **Adjournment**

There being no further business, a motion was made by Kobliska, seconded by Vick. Motion carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 10:38 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Oghogho Oriakhi
Secretary