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RPC TAC MEETING

Minutes

January 22, 2015 RPC Conference Room

Members Present: Art Ditto, Chairman, Rye; Richard McDermott, Hampton Falls; Robert Clark,

Atkinson; Ken Christiansen, Brentwood; Juliet Walker, Portsmouth; Stephen Gerrato, Greenland; Sylvia von Aulock and Don Woodward, Exeter; Chris Jacobs, Hampton; Steve Pesci, UNH; Joan Whitney, Kensington; Lincoln Daley, Stratham; Francis Chase, Seabrook; Tim Moore, Plaistow; Brian Deguzis, COAST; Paul Lockwood, NHDES; Linda Dusenberry and Carol

Macuch, NHDOT.

Others Present: Eric Eby, Portsmouth.

Staff Present: Cliff Sinnott, Dave Walker, Scott Bogle and Roxanne Rines, RPC.

Meeting Opened at 9:05 a.m.

1. Introductions

Ditto opened the meeting and wished everyone a Happy New Year. Attendees introduced themselves and stated what municipality they were from or the agency they represented.

2. Minutes of October 23, 2014, TAC Meeting

Motion: McDermott made a motion to approve the minutes of October 23, 2014, as written. **Woodward** seconded the motion. **Motion carried with two abstentions.**

First Look – Draft 2016-2017 UPWP

D Walker reviewed attachment #2, the draft budget, which describes the efforts the MPO and RPC staff will undertake during the next two years. He briefly explained the five areas of the UPWP.

He continued that the draft document needs to be at NH DOT by the end of February. Official adoption of approval will be at the next meeting. **Walker** asked members to send their questions or comments to him. **Pesci** stated Walker gave an excellent presentation.

4. Project Solicitation

D Walker stated the state will be initiating the next update to the State 10-Year Transportation Program of projects which will begin soon. As part of the process the MPO solicits projects from municipalities, transportation agencies in the region and DOT. He then gave a power point

presentation and reviewed the details of the process. Discussion ensued about the differences between highway, transit and bike/ped projects and what types of funding are available.

Walker continued to review the new selection criteria and how the ranking of projects will be done. Discussion ensued.

6. Electric Vehicle Charging Station Supporting Grant

Paul Lockwood, NH DES, distributed a handout, explained the program, reviewed electric vehicles and the grant details. Discussion ensued.

5. Plaistow MBTA Extension Update

Sinnott explained the projects purpose and gave a powerpiont presentation. He reviewed the studies and work that has been completed since his last update. Discussion ensued.

Jacobs stated the state does not have enough funds to fix red listed bridges or maintain the current road ways and suggested the state does not need another project that can't sustain itself.

Clark explained his concerns over environmental, noise and pollution issues. He also stated that residents of the area are not against the platform, but have concerns with the layover station.

7. Project Updates

A handout was distributed.

Motion: Chase made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:01. **McDermott** seconded the motion. **Motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 11:01 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Roxanne M. Rines Recording Secretary