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RPC TAC MEETING

Minutes

October 23, 2014 RPC Conference Room

- **Members Present:** Art Ditto, Chairman, Rye; Richard McDermott, Hampton Falls; Richard Hartung, Hampstead; Robert Clark, Atkinson; Ken Christiansen, Brentwood; Juliet Walker, Portsmouth; Stephen Gerrato, Greenland; Don Woodward, Exeter; Jason Bachand, Hampton; Beverly Cray, UNH; Joan Whitney, Kensington; Lincoln Daley, Stratham; Brian Deguzis, COAST; and Leigh Levine, FHWA.
- **Staff Present:** Dave Walker, Scott Bogle and Roxanne Rines, RPC.

Meeting Opened at 9:05 a.m.

1. Introductions

Attendees introduced themselves and stated what municipality they were from or the agency they represented.

2. Minutes of June 26, 2014, TAC Meeting

Motion: McDermott made a motion to approve the minutes of June 26, 2014, as written. Hartung seconded the motion. Motion carried.

3. UPWP Updates for FY15

D Walker explained the updates made to the UPWP FY15 and reviewed the work that staff will undertake. Discussion ensued about the travel survey. **Gerrato** asked for a copy of the Greenland trails map. **D** Walker told Gerrato to contact Julie LaBranche at the RPC office.

Motion: Gerrato made a motion to approve the UPWP Updates for FY15. J Walker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

4. Draft 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program

D Walker gave a power point presentation and reviewed the details of the Draft FY 2015-2018 TIP and Long Range Plan. The public hearing will be held on December 10th, at the Policy meeting for their approval. Staff will do a complete rewrite of the plan for adoption in the fall of 2015.

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Discussion ensued about the projects included in the documents. **Woodward** asked if an RPC staff member could attend an Exeter meeting to explain the String Bridge Project. **D Walker** stated yes. Discussion ensued about the next 10-year plan project solicitation.

Motion: McDermott made a motion to approve the Draft 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program with an appendix to make the local projects stand out. **Woodward** seconded the motion. **Motion carried.**

5. Transportation Alternatives Program Project Ranking

Bogle explained the TAP program and reviewed the projects submitted. There were six applications from our region, requesting \$2.2 M in federal funding. He reviewed the application criteria staff used to rank the projects. DOT will do their statewide ranking process after all the MPO's lists are sent to them.

Bogle reviewed staffs ranking of the projects. **D Walker** stated all the projects submitted were good and scored closely. There was a lot of discussion about the Town of Salem not maintaining their membership with the RPC. In the last round the TE funding, a Salem project was last on the RPC ranking, but DOT scored it as the highest project for our region, so staff thought it better not to use membership in the ranking process.

Clark stated he would like Salem to be penalized. **Woodward** stated he would like 6 points added to the projects that are not in Salem. **Hartung** stated he would like some effort made toward communities about maintaining their memberships.

Motion: Hartung made motion to accept the listing as is. Motion not seconded.

Clark stated he would like a category with negative points for non-paying members. More discussion ensued.

Motion: Woodward made a motion to add 4 points to criteria #10 for all communities who pay RPC membership. J Walker seconded the motion. Motion carried with Christiansen abstaining.

6. Regional Master Plan Transportation Chapter Update

Bogle reviewed the changes made to the chapter since the Policy committee saw the document in April. He gave a presentation of the survey results that was conducted. Discussion ensued during the presentation.

7. Scenario Planning Update

D Walker gave a brief explanation of the work and outcomes. Discussion ensued.

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8. Project Updates

A handout was distributed with other project updates.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Roxanne M. Rines Recording Secretary