

RPC TAC MEETING

Minutes

February 25, 2016
RPC Conference Room

Members Present: Art Ditto, Chair, Rye; Richard McDermott, Hampton Falls; Robert Clark, Atkinson; Steve Gerrato, Greenland; Juliet Walker, Portsmouth; Richard Hartung, Hampstead; Dave Sharples, Exeter; Tim Moore, Plaistow; Tavis Austin, Stratham; Ken Christiansen, Brentwood; Don Woodward, Exeter Transportation Committee; Brian Deguzis, COAST; Mark Nelson, CART; Tony Komornick, MVPC; Carol Macuch, NH DOT; and Leigh Levine, FHWA.

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

Meeting Opened at 9:01 a.m.

1. Introductions

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

2. Minutes of January 28, 2016, TAC Meeting

Motion: **McDermott** made a motion to approve the minutes of January 28, 2016, as written. **Clark** seconded the motion. **Motion carried with abstentions.**

3. FAST Act Overview

Leigh Levine, FHWA, gave a powerpoint presentation explaining the new legislation, he reviewed the highway side of the bill, key highway points and funding programs, changes to the freight program, transit authority changes and the new planning requirements.

Discussion ensued about safety programs for freight, new program funding, need for clarification of rules, concern for transit and funding, rail funding and the inclusion of documents for transportation programs. **Levine** then distributed the funding tables and discussion ensued.

4. UPWP Amendment

Walker reviewed the amendment along with the documents goals and objectives and stated there has been some redistribution of funds. This item will be on the Policy Committee's agenda for their April meeting.

Motion: **Woodward** made a motion to endorse the requested UPWP changes and forward to the MPO Policy Committee for their approval. **McDermott** seconded the motion. **Motion carried.**

5. Long Range Transportation Plan Update

Bogle reviewed the goals, objectives and policies document from the meeting packet. Staff recommends adding four goals to the original six included in the Transportation Chapter of the Regional Master Plan and is looking for input from TAC members. Discussion ensued.

Walker gave a brief overview of how the performance measures will be handled. **Bogle** asked that any comments or suggestions be sent to him within the next two weeks. He stated staff's goal is to have a completed draft of the Long Range Plan for review at both the July TAC and Policy Committee meetings.

6. Project Updates

A handout was distributed with other project updates and discussion ensued.

Meeting adjourned at 10:36 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Roxanne M. Rines
Recording Secretary