

**Minutes of the  
Chippewa-Eau Claire Metropolitan Planning Organization**

*Wednesday, August 27, 2014*

*8:00 p.m.*

*Suite 401, Banbury Place*

*800 Wisconsin Street, Eau Claire, Wisconsin*

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**Members Present:** Kerry Kincaid, City of Eau Claire (chair); Henry Shakal, Chippewa County (vice chair); Fred Belay, Town of Union; Douglas Kranig, Town of Seymour

**Others Present:** Jeff Abboud, WisDOT, NW Region

**Staff Present:** Ann Z. Schell, WCWRPC; Jason Duba, WCWRPC

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1. The meeting was called to order by Ms. Kincaid at approximately 8:07 p.m.
2. Welcomes and introductions were made, primarily for Mr. Duba, who had not yet met Mr. Belay or Mr. Kranig.
3. The minutes of the August 27, 2014 meeting were approved as presented. Motion by Mr. Shakal, seconded by Mr. Belay. The motion carried on a unanimous vote.
4. The minutes of the August 13, 2014 TAC meeting were discussed and accepted.
5. Ms. Schell described the situation requiring transfer of STP-Urban funds. These funds amount to \$515,000 approved by the MPO in 2009 for construction of a roundabout in Chippewa County at CTH J/50<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Analysis showed that the intersection did not meet warrants for a roundabout due to a lack of anticipated development. Instead, Chippewa County would like to transfer the \$515,000 to a project on CTH T (10<sup>th</sup> Ave. to STH 29), which has received approximately \$780,000 in federal funding through a new freight program. This project has determined a need for significantly thicker pavement to handle heavy truck traffic, nearly doubling the construction estimate. This particular transfer was recommended by the TAC on the importance of this project and the lack of viable alternatives for the funds, as no other projects were ready to go for 2014. The Council unanimously to approve this transfer of \$515,000 to the CTH T project following a motion by Mr. Belay, seconded by Mr. Kranig.
6. Ms. Schell explained the need to reconfirm projects in the TIP. As the current TIP was adopted in October, 2013, a new one is not necessary, but this confirmation is. After members examined the TIP and asked some clarifying questions of Ms. Schell, Mr. Shakal moved to confirm the TIP, Mr. Belay seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
7. Ms. Schell presented information, criteria, and recommendations on two Type IV Amendments to the Chippewa Falls/Eau Claire Urban Sewer Service Area Plan. The Council was being asked to approve the amendments:
  - Independence Park 7<sup>th</sup> Addition, City of Eau Claire (0.12 acres of steep slopes). This amendment was unanimously approved following a motion by Mr. Kranig, seconded by Mr. Belay. The approval includes the two recommended conditions presented with the staff report.
  - Briar Hills Estates, City of Eau Claire (0.50 acres of steep slopes). This amendment was unanimously approved following a motion by Mr. Belay, seconded by Mr. Shakal. The approval includes the three recommended conditions presented with the staff report.
8. Ms. Schell presented and discussed the Draft Chippewa-Eau Claire MPO Title VI Plan. The draft plan includes all the necessary elements required of such documents by the U.S. Department of Transportation and Federal Transit Administration. A significant part of the impetus for this plan is to encourage more

minority participation in MPO public activities. A public participation plan is included as Appendix A for the Title VI Plan. After some revision and public comment, the plan will be brought back before the MPO Council for approval at the next meeting.

9. No other business was brought before the Council.
10. The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, October 8, 2014 at 7:30 p.m.
11. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:50 p.m.