

## RPC TAC MEETING

### Minutes

May 25, 2017

RPC Conference Room

**Members Present:** Richard McDermott, Hampton Falls; Robert Clark, Atkinson; Joan Whitney, Kensington; Tim Moore, Plaistow; Steve Gerrato, Greenland; Eric Eby, Portsmouth; Richard Hartung, Hampstead; Chris Cross, Newington; Andre Garron, Salem; Dave Sharples, Exeter; Greg Mikolaities, Rye; Tony Komornick, MVPC; 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.

**Walker** stated Art Ditto, Rye, has retired. Rye's new rep is Greg Mikolaities, Walker welcomed Greg.

#### 2. Minutes of April 24, 2017, TAC Meeting

Corrections to the minutes were given.

**Motion:** **Clark** made a motion to approve the minutes of April 24, 2017, as corrected. **Hartung** seconded the motion. **Motion carried.**

#### 3. TAC Chair Selection

**Motion:** **Gerrato** made a motion to nominate Richard McDermott as Chair. **Hartung** seconded the motion. **Motion carried.**

**Motion:** **Gerrato** made a motion to nominate Dave Sharples as Vice-Chair. **Hartung** seconded the motion. **Motion carried.**

#### 4. TIP Amendment #2

**Walker** stated a 10-day public comment period will begin when a location is secured for the July MPO meeting. There are 17 regional and two statewide projects with changes included in the amendment;

these changes include: additional funding needs, changes in scope, as well as projects being added or deleted. He reviewed the attached table of changes. The net increase in cost is about \$8 million. **Walker** gave corrections to projects listed in the tables.

**Clark** asked for the cost overrun amount is for the Sarah Long project. **Walker** stated that the project is being funded by Maine and NH and Maine is the lead. The amount listed is the total amount which will be split between the 2 states. He then reviewed a state report which lists the costs for each state. Discussion ensued about the amount of cost overrun. **Walker** stated there will be a public information meeting on May 31 in Kittery, ME, 4-6 pm. He will send the details of the meeting to the TAC members via email.

**Motion:** **Gerrato** made a motion to endorse TIP Amendment #2 with amended tables and recommend approval to the MPO Policy Committee. **Clark** seconded the motion. **Motion carried.**

## **5. Long Range Transportation Plan Progress Update**

**Walker** stated staff intends to have a full draft of the plan at the next TAC meeting on June 22<sup>nd</sup>. He gave a powerpoint presentation explaining the work that staff is continuing to complete: updating the needs assessment data; population and employment projections, along with historic changes; changes in workforce; planning for traffic and growth changes; how tourism drives economy; increase in travel; etc. Discussion ensued.

**Bogle** reviewed the commuter flow changes against comparisons of the 2000 vs 2012 numbers with a powerpoint presentation. Staff will send draft chapters to members when completed.

**McDermott** asked that staff send both presentations to members. Staff agreed.

## **6. Project Updates**

**Walker** stated there is no handout. Both himself and Bogle gave some brief updates of current projects.

**Walker** stated that Cliff Sinnott is retiring August 1<sup>st</sup>. The new Executive Director will be Tim Roache of Nashua Planning Commission and he will start August 1<sup>st</sup>.

Meeting adjourned at 10:32 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Roxanne M. Rines  
Recording Secretary