

TO: Northwest Council of Mayors Technical Committee  
FROM: Mike Walczak, Program Manager for Transportation  
RE: October 14, 2010 Meeting Minutes  
DATE: January 28, 2011

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The Northwest Council of Mayors Technical Committee met on Thursday, October 14, 2010 at Arlington Heights Village Hall. The following persons were in attendance:

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT**

President Arlene J. Mulder, Chair  
Sharon Caddigan  
President Karen Darch  
Ken Fritz  
Jim Norris  
Sarah Phillips (representing Mayor Ken Nelson)  
Ray Rummel

**REPRESENTING**

Village of Arlington Heights  
Village of Streamwood  
Village of Barrington  
Village of Schaumburg  
Village of Hoffman Estates  
City of Rolling Meadows  
Elk Grove Village

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Janet Bright  
Akram Chaudhry  
Mary Donner  
Brian Fairwood  
Marnie Hooghkirk  
Scott Kasper  
Chuck Kmen  
Matt Lehan  
Brian Lovering  
Rick Mack  
Anne Marrin  
Amy McSwane  
Tim Merrihew  
Joel Michalik  
Moses Nazzal  
Mike Pagones  
Steve Pasinski  
Brian Plum  
Tom Ponsot  
Nate Roseberry  
Kevin Stallworth  
Greg Summers  
Fred Vogt  
Mike Walczak

**REPRESENTING**

CMAP  
SEC Group  
Pace  
Transystems  
IDOT  
Village of Schuamburg  
Lochner  
Ciorba Group  
Elk Grove Village  
Metra  
City of Prospect Heights  
HLR  
Village of Wheeling  
Village of Mount Prospect  
Village of Niles  
Village of Arlington Heights  
Thomas Engineering  
Traffic Control Corp.  
Village of Arlington Heights  
Village of Hoffman Estates  
IDOT  
Village of Barrington  
City of Rolling Meadows  
NWMC

**I. Call to Order**

The Chair, President Arlene Mulder of the Village of Arlington Heights, called the meeting to order at 8:38 a.m.

**II Approval of Minutes**

*The minutes of the previous meetings were deferred.*

**III. Agency Reports****a. CMAP Report**

Ms. Bright announced the Go To 2040 Plan has been adopted, with a launch party held on October 13. A new website has been launched as well. CMAP staff will be back out to future meetings to discuss implementation strategies.

**b. CATS Council of Mayors Executive Committee**

Ms. Bright reported that the Committee met on September 29. Advanced funding requests were approved, and ComEd presented on their Smart Meter program. She presented the regional STP expenditure reports.

**c. IDOT Highways Report**

Ms. Hooghkirk introduced herself as the new IDOT representative to the Council and distributed the IDOT status sheets.

**d. IDOT Local Roads Update**

Mr. Stallworth distributed the latest Local Roads sheets and provided an update on the projects. He noted a variety of letting changes.

**e. Cook County Highway Department**

Mr. Walczak distributed CCHD's update sheets.

**f. Metra**

Mr. Mack reported that Metra's Up-N bridge project has been suspended due to customer complaints about the revised schedules. The 2011 draft budget is coming for comment. Metra staff continues to work with ISTHA and Pace for the final details on the STAR Line Alternatives Analysis.

**g. Pace**

Ms. Donner outlined Pace's draft 2011 new budget. Many of the local cuts will occur in the Park Ridge area.

**IV. NW Council FY 10-14 Surface Transportation Program****a. Current Program Update**

Mr. Walczak updated the committee on changes to the STP program. The council members considered moving the remaining STAR Line station project out of the

program to the MYB list, but decided to wait until other projects could be identified.

*The program was approved on a motion by Mr. Norris and seconded by Ms. Caddigan.*

**b. Changes to Current Programs**

*i. Niles – Milwaukee Avenue*

Mr. Chaudhry explained that the Village of Niles is requesting a cost increase to its Milwaukee Avenue reconstruction project, which was let in 2008. The cost increase is requested due to additional patching, removal and disposal of three underground storage tanks, removal of non-special waste and other higher project costs.

*The request was approved on a motion by President Darch and seconded by Ms. Caddigan.*

*ii. Barrington – Parking garage*

Mr. Summers presented the Village of Barrington's request for a split of their Parking Garage project, currently programmed in FY 2012, into two projects. The first project, an access road, would serve the parking lot as currently configured while the Village continues to seek the balance of funds for the parking garage portion of the project. The Village has been seeking additional funds through Metra and the CMAQ program.

*The request was approved on a motion by Mayor Nelson and seconded by Ms. Caddigan.*

**c. Addition to Current Programs**

*i. Hoffman Estates – Hassell Road*

Mr. Roseberry from the Village of Hoffman Estates requested the move of their Hassell Road reconstruction from the MYB list, with Phase II Engineering in 2011 and construction in 2012. He noted that the new application increases the point total due to the addition of bicycle and pedestrian components of the project.

*The request was approved on a motion by Mayor Nelson and seconded by Ms. Caddigan.*

**d. New Project**

*Arlington Heights – US 14 at Wilke Road Intersection Improvement*

Ms. McSwane presented the new project from the Village of Arlington Heights. The intersection improvement at US 14 and Wilke Road would add turn lanes and change the signal timing. Engineering for the project is already underway and construction funding is requested for FY 2012. The project will be placed on the MYB list for one year.

*The request was approved on a motion by President Darch and seconded by Mr. Norris.*

**V. Other Business**

Mr. Walczak gave an update on the Council's CMAQ projects and said that a call for new projects will likely be in December. The CMAQ Committee is looking to tie the goals of the 2040 Plan to project selection.

**VI. Next Meeting**

The next meeting was set for January 28 at 8:30 a.m. at Arlington Heights Village Hall

**VII. Adjourn**

*The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 a.m. on a motion by Mayor Nelson, seconded by President Darch.*

TO: Northwest Council of Mayors Technical Committee  
FROM: Mike Walczak, Program Manager for Transportation  
RE: August 25, 2010 Meeting Minutes  
DATE: October 14, 2010

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The Northwest Council of Mayors Technical Committee met on Thursday, August 25, 2010 at Arlington Heights Village Hall. The following persons were in attendance:

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT**

President Arlene J. Mulder, Chair  
Sharon Caddigan  
President Karen Darch  
Ken Fritz  
Jim Norris  
Mayor Ken Nelson  
Ray Rummel

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Mary Donner  
Earl Dunn  
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Brian Lovering  
Rick Mack  
Amy McSwane  
Tim Merrihew  
Mike Pagonis  
Jon Duddles  
Brian Plum  
Kevin Stallworth  
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Fred Vogt  
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Pace  
IDOT  
Hoffman Estates  
Lochner  
Elk Grove Village  
Metra  
HLR  
Village of Wheeling  
Village of Arlington Heights  
City of Des Plaines  
Traffic Control Corp.  
IDOT  
Barrington  
City of Rolling Meadows  
NWMC

**I. Call to Order**

The Chair, President Arlene Mulder of the Village of Arlington Heights, called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.

**II Approval of Minutes – March 18, 2010 meeting**

*The minutes of the March 18<sup>th</sup> meeting were deferred.*

### III. Agency Reports

#### a. **CMAP Report**

Ms Schaad reported that the Go To 2040 comments had been received and highlighted the changes that resulted from those comments. The plan will be adopted on October 13, with a launch celebration being planned.

#### b. **CATS Council of Mayors Executive Committee**

Ms. Schaad reported that the Committee met on June 29. Advanced funding requests were approved, and she presented the regional STP and ARRA expenditure reports through June.

#### c. **IDOT Highways Report**

Mr. Dunn distributed the IDOT status sheets and noted that there will be a fall open house for the 2011-2016 program to be scheduled soon.

#### d. **IDOT Local Roads Update**

Mr. Stallworth distributed the latest Local Roads sheets and provided an update on the projects. He noted a variety of letting changes.

#### e. **Cook County Highway Department**

Mr. Walczak distributed CCHD's update sheets.

#### f. **Metra**

Mr. Mack reported that Metra's ridership is down 4.7% over the past year. He summarized the Up-N bridge project, which will replace 100 year old bridges in the Chicago portion of the line over a 8 year timeline.

#### g. **Pace**

Ms. Donner outlined Pace's new budget, with no routes cut or fares increased. Local routes, including the 209, 240, 241, and 616 are being reevaluated, with hearings to be scheduled soon. All savings from proposed service reductions will be shifted to other routes in the immediate area.

### IV. NW Council FY 10-14 Surface Transportation Program

#### a. **Current Program Update**

Mr. Walczak updated the committee on changes to the STP program.

#### b. **Changes to Current Programs**

##### *i. Rolling Meadows – Commuter Drive (Attachment C)*

Mr. Vogt from the City of Rolling Meadows requested a cost increase for the construction phase of its Commuter Drive project from \$526,000 to \$740,000 due to additional required work related to special waste removal and disposal, wetland protection, drainage and inflation. This project is currently programmed in FY 2011.

##### *ii. Arlington Heights – Arthur/Davis/US 14*

The Village of Arlington Heights is requesting moving the above project from FY 2010 to FY 2011 due to ongoing land acquisition problems.

*The requests were approved on a motion by Mr. Norris and seconded by Mr. Rummel.*

**d. Addition to Current Programs**

***i. Schaumburg – Springinsguth Road***

The Village of Schaumburg requesting the addition of its Springinsguth Road resurfacing project to the active program in FY 2010. The project is targeting a November letting.

***ii. Schaumburg – Golf Road and Plum Grove Road Lighting***

The Village of Schaumburg requested the addition of its Golf Road and Plum Grove Road Lighting projects to the active program in FY 2011. The projects are targeting a January letting.

*The requests were approved on a motion by Mr. Norris and seconded by Mr. Rummel.*

**d. New Project**

***Des Plaines – Lee Street at Perry Street Intersection Improvement***

The City of Des Plaines requested the addition of the above project to the Council's STP program in FY 2011. Staff explained that the IDS is approved, and they have local and DCEO funds already secured for the project. Mr. Walczak noted that the project has not been on the MYB list for the one-year waiting period, but there is room in FY 2011. It would be up to the committee to waive the one year wait.

*The request was approved on a motion by Mr. Norris and seconded by Ms. Caddigan.*

**V. Other Business**

Mayor Nelson raised the issue of the proposed but possibly withdrawn proposal by the state to raid MFT funding. The Committee members explained the ways that this would harm local communities. The committee members expressed fear that relying on capital funds, without a well defined revenue source, would be dangerous. Mr. Walczak said that NWMC was tracking the issue and would work with Policy Director Larry Bury to draft an opposition letter.

**VI. Next Meeting**

The next meeting was set for October 14 at 8:30 a.m. at Arlington Heights Village Hall

**VII. Adjourn**

*The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 a.m. on a motion by Mayor Nelson, seconded by President Darch.*

TO: Northwest Council of Mayors Technical Committee  
FROM: Mike Walczak, Program Manager for Transportation  
RE: March 18, 2010 Meeting Minutes  
DATE: March 23, 2010

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The Northwest Council of Mayors Technical Committee met on Thursday, March 18, 2010 at Arlington Heights Village Hall. The following persons were in attendance:

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT**

President Arlene J. Mulder, Chair  
Sharon Caddigan  
President Karen Darch  
Ken Fritz  
Jim Norris  
Mayor Ken Nelson  
Ray Rummel

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Village of Barrington  
Village of Schaumburg  
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City of Rolling Meadows  
Elk Grove Village

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Luay Abena  
Patricia Berry  
Todd Bright  
Mike Danecki  
Mary Donner  
Mike Hankey  
Scott Kasper  
Jacob Itskovich  
Brian Lovering  
Tim Merrihew  
Mike Pagonis  
Derek Peebles  
Keith Sargent  
Jason Souden  
Kevin Stallworth  
Steve Sugg  
Fred Vogt  
Mike Walczak  
Jeff Wulbecker

**REPRESENTING**

KLOA, Inc  
CMAP  
Transystems  
Village of Palatine  
Pace  
Village of Hoffman Estates  
Village of Schaumburg  
Village of Bartlett  
Elk Grove Village  
Village of Wheeling  
Village of Arlington Heights  
City of Des Plaines  
Thomas Engineering Group  
CBBEL  
IDOT Local Roads  
Ciorba Group  
City of Rolling Meadows  
NWMC  
Village of Mount Prospect

**I. Call to Order**

The Chair, President Arlene Mulder of the Village of Arlington Heights, called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

- II Approval of Minutes – August 27, 2009 meeting**  
*The minutes of the February 11, 2010 Technical Committee meeting were approved on a motion by Mayor Nelson and seconded by Mr. Rummel.*
- III. Agency Reports**
- a. CMAP Report**  
 Ms. Berry reported that a new federal bill is being discussed which would end the recent rescissions, restore \$20 billion to the Road Fund, but also result in Illinois losing earmark funds. She also noted that there is unlikely to be a second stimulus bill.
  - b. CATS Council of Mayors Executive Committee**  
 Ms. Berry said there was no report since no meeting had been held recently.
  - c. IDOT Highways Report**  
 No report.
  - d. IDOT Local Roads Update**  
 Mr. Stallworth distributed the latest Local Roads sheets and provided an update on the projects. He noted a variety of letting changes. There were questions on special waste processing. Mr. Stallworth explained the new requirements, noting that they will add up to 6 months to Phase I reviews.
  - e. Cook County Highway Department**  
 Mr. Walczak noted that Rodney Bettenhausen asked him to inform the committee that no changes had occurred from the previous meeting.
  - f. Metra**  
 No report.
  - g. Pace**  
 Ms. Donner explained that Pace has responded to recent service cuts by producing a sheet of performance indicators for each municipality, so that local officials will be kept aware of well-performing and under-performing routes well ahead of any future cuts.
- IV. NW Council FY 10-14 Surface Transportation Program**
- a. Current Program Update**  
 Mr. Walczak updated the committee on small changes to the STP program, mostly changes in letting dates.
  - b. Changes to Current Program**  
*Elk Grove Village – Busse Road at Greenleaf Avenue and Busse Road at Pratt Avenue Intersection Improvements*  
 Elk Grove Village requested a cost increase in the STP share for the construction phase of these projects from \$1,050,000 to \$2,065,000 for Greenleaf and from

\$1,050,000 to \$1,750,000 for Pratt due to construction cost increases and changes to the scope of work. This project is currently programmed in FY 2011 and targeting a January 2011 letting.

*The requests were approved on a motion by Mr. Norris and seconded by Ms. Caddigan.*

**V. American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Update**

**a. ARRA Project Recap**

Due to low bids received on the previously selected ARRA projects, Mr. Walczak reported that current estimates show the Council has \$1,281,512 to reprogram and obligate by September 1, 2010, but noted that this amount may change as the final numbers on projects come in. As directed at the February meeting, he prepared a summary to spend down the balance by distributed the balance to three existing STP projects (Arthur at Davis in Arlington Heights, Biesterfield at I-290 in Elk Grove Village and Algonquin Road lighting in Rolling Meadows) proportionately to their STP amounts.

*The request was approved on a motion by Mr. Norris and seconded by Ms. Caddigan.*

**b. Potential New Stimulus List**

In response to a potential second stimulus bill being considered by Congress, staff prepared a list of potential projects from municipalities of projects that could quickly move through the federal approval process. Some projects were new and some were existing STP or CMAQ projects. Staff recommended monitoring the federal legislative climate and keeping municipalities up to date should a new bill arise.

**VI. Other Business**

There was no other business.

**VII. Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be on call.

**VIII. Adjourn**

*The meeting was adjourned at 1:55 p.m. on a motion by Ms. Caddigan, seconded by President Darch.*