

TRANSPORTATION COORDINATING COMMITTEE

March 21, 2024

A regular Transportation Coordinating Committee meeting of the Lima-Allen County Regional Planning Commission was held on **Thursday, March 21, 2024, at 3:00 p.m.** in the Commission office at 130 W. North Street, Lima, Ohio.

A quorum being present, Ms. Seibert, as acting chair, brought the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. and proceeded with the agenda.

1. ROLL CALL

Karen Garland
Ian Kohli
Beth Seibert
Brad Baxter
Jamie Mehaffie
Howard Elstro
Kevin Cox
Steve Ewing
Mitchell Kingsley (virtual)
Tanner Inkrott
Anthony Hill (virtual)
Daniel Johnson (virtual)

Allen County Regional Transit Authority
City of Lima
Allen County
Bath Township
City of Delphos
City of Lima
Perry Township
Auglaize Township
Village of Bluffton
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STAFF

Tara Reynolds Bales
Cody Doyle
Rebecca Phillips
Tonya Dye

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2. APPROVAL OF TCC MINUTES – February 22, 2024

There were no corrections for the February 22nd, 2024 minutes as presented.

Motion 13 (3-21-24) TCC

Mr. Ewing moved that the TCC minutes of February 22nd, 2024 be approved. Seconded by Ms. Garland; the motion carried.

3. RTA UPDATE

Ms. Garland updated the committee that there have been several requests for the trolley, including some for 2025. The mobile app is now live and available on the RTA website for fixed and micro transit routes. Uplift will be forthcoming as there are multiple billing entities that need resolved. Fixed route riders can track their bus and arrival times to a stop. Micro transit riders can schedule their own rides and prepay for services. Uplift will have the same capability to schedule and prepay when that becomes available.

Ms. Garland also gave the update on the RTA ridership statistics. Those will be forwarded to committee members.

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There will be a final decision on Monday, March 25th, 2024 regarding RTA operations on Solar Eclipse Day. A media release will follow.

Garage renovations are moving along with a hard end date of November still being given. There are driver positions open as well as two mechanics positions.

Motion 14 (3-21-24) TCC

Mr. Baxter moved that the RTA report be accepted. Seconded by Mr. Mehaffie; the motion carried.

4. 2023 ALLEN COUNTY FATAL CRASH REPORT

Mr. Doyle said that the Draft 2023 Allen County Fatal Crash Report was addressed last month. It has had no public comments. It is suggested that the committee approve it for final report status to the Executive Committee, unless there were any objections. There were none.

5. PID 118806 ALL LAFAYETTE IMPROVEMENTS SCOPE CHANGE

Mr. Doyle explained the new scope of the Lafayette Improvement project that had been scaled back due to funding constraints. Most of the impact was in Priority 4. It is the staff recommendation to approve the change.

Motion 15 (3-21-24) TCC

Mr. Elstro moved to adopt the resolution authorizing the changes in scope to PID 118806. Seconded by Mr. Baxter; the motion carried.

6. CARBON REDUCTION FUNDS REALLOCATION

Mr. Doyle asked for the reallocation of the Breese Road Carbon Reduction Funds to the Lafayette Project. There had been a discussion in the TAC with Ms. Colleen Barry about how this can be accomplished. The Lafayette project involves sidewalk modifications and is thereby eligible for the Carbon Reduction Funds money.

Motion 16 (3-21-24) TCC

Mr. Ewing moved to adopt the resolution reallocating the Carbon Reduction Funds from the Breese Road project to the Lafayette project. Seconded by Mr. Kohli; the motion carried.

7. PID 116196 Thayer Road

Mr. Inkrott spoke on behalf of the Thayer Road project. As there is additional funding, a new phase is being added to the project. The changes need committee approval to be made part of the TIP to gain eligibility for those funds. This project is specific to Thayer Road between SR 309 and Reservoir Road

Motion 17 (3-21-24) TCC

Mr. Elstro moved to adopt the resolution of adding PID 116196 Thayer Road to the TIP. Seconded by Ms. Garland; the motion carried.

8. OTHER

Ms. Reynolds Bales introduced new staff member Ms. Tonya Dye to the Committee. Most present had met her through other committee meetings, so only a few introductions needed to be made.

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9. ADJOURNMENT

Motion 18 (3-21-2024) TCC

Mr. Ewing moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Cox; the motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

Minutes approved on April 25, 2024.



Jamie Metaffie, Acting Chair

