

# TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

## February 10, 2016

Members Present: Tama Theis, Hazel Youngmann, Caleb Dirckx, Sue Ek, Kurt Franke, Ryan Daniel

Member Absent: Steve Ludwig

City Staff Present: Steve Foss, Matt Glaesman and Cheryl Malikowski, Recording Secretary

Vice-Chairperson Daniel called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

Ek moved to approve the January 6, 2016, minutes. Youngmann seconded and the motion unanimously passed.

Glaesman, Planning Director, discussed the Comprehensive Plan. He noted that the Planning Commission approved the plan and it will be going to the City Council on March 7th. He offered the Board to comment on the plan by that March 7th. Youngmann noted that the Whitney Board submitted comments. Daniel asked if the Board should approach the plan as an advisory board. Glaesman noted that Ludwig had submitted comments as an individual that may represent the opinion of the Board. Franke stated he would like the City to have a master bicycle plan with both the parks and transportation involved. Glaesman noted that the APO is currently conducting a bike study and suggested letting the Bike and Ped Committee continue the bike plan and focus on the surrounding boundaries.

A handout of the most CIP submittal was given to the Board. Foss discussed the CIP and noted that some of the defeated projects, such as Cooper Avenue South and 16th Street South, were put in the UPP portion (unprogrammed) of the CIP. Foss asked the Board to review the CIP and make comments. Foss noted that his goal for the CIP was to do a local, regional and maintenance project each year. He recently met with administration and received positive feedback but there may still be changes. Theis questioned where the County Road 136 resurfacing project stood as she had been dealing with the County and the school principal and a public hearing was held in front of the Transportation Committee with the bonding bill for the turn lanes. Foss intended to take the urban section to the south end of the school and the rest would remain a rural section. Theis will speak with the committee administrator and find out where the project is in the bonding bill.

Foss explained that the Heatherwood Drive extension project is in the UPP section of the CIP. This project will connect the business park area to the St. Cloud area without having to travel the interstate. He noted that there are environmental and financial concerns with the project. Foss noted that the City will be hiring a firm to do the environmental study.

Franke reported on the Winter Bicycling Congress workshop he attended in February.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.