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A/GFTC TAC Minutes

Wednesday, May 4, 2016 1:30 PM

Crandall Public Library, Glens Falls

| Attendees | Representing |
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| Brian Abare | Village of South Glens Falls DPW |
| Stu Baker | Town of Queensbury Community Development |
| Ed Bartholomew | EDC of Warren County |
| Frank Bonafide | NYS DOT Region 1 |
| Tracy Conlon | Village of Fort Edward |
| Christina Doughney | CHA |
| Ed Doughney | Warren County DPW |
| Kevin Hajos | Warren County DPW |
| Robert Hansen | CME |
| Steve Haskins | Washington County DPW |
| Todd Konifka, Jr. | Washington County DPW |
| Laura Oswald | Washington County Planning |
| Dan Rourke | Barton and Loguidice |
| Scott Sopczyk | GGFT |
| Tom Speziale | Saratoga County DPW |
| Greg Wichser | NYS DOT Region 1 |
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| Staff | |
| Aaron Frankenfeld | A/GFTC |
| Kate Mance | A/GFTC |

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Visitors Issues - no visitors present.

3. Transit

- A. GGFT Update - Scott Sopczyk reported the 2016 ridership was higher than at this point in 2015, and that year was the record high for the system. Three trolleys will be replaced this year, GGFT will be working on a vehicle location system to be integrated into the website.
- B. Rural mobility analysis - (Aaron) draft RFP is complete; sent to host agency counsel to review required federal clauses and revised standard contract; received concurrence with content, will work to get this out after draft TIP is released.

4. UPWP

- A. Ongoing projects
 - 1) Dix Avenue reassessment - (Kate) - public presentation is scheduled to follow this meeting at 3:00 PM. Final draft of the report (available on our website) will be reviewed. To summarize, the projected growth noted in the 2000 Dix Avenue Corridor Study has not been realized and the need for capital improvement projects is not as significant as a result.

- 2) White Creek Watershed Infrastructure Assessment - (Aaron) conference call held on April 5 to review work; hydraulic model has been calibrated, and recommendations are being formulated. Fitzgerald Environmental Associates has been granted one additional month to complete the study; contract now states expiration date of June 4, 2106. Public meeting has been scheduled for 7PM on May 23 at Salem school.
- B. Aviation Road - QUFSD access study (Aaron) - The UPWP approved by the Policy Committee in March included a new task introduced by Queensbury Supervisor John Strough to conduct an analysis of potential circulation impacts associated with planned access changes to the Queensbury School campus; data collection needs to occur during the school season, so proposals have been solicited for this project. Barton and Loguidice, CME and MJELS have submitted responses; those have been distributed to Town and School district staff for review, with selection anticipated by 5/6/16.
 - C. 2016-17 Work Program - prioritization - (Aaron) Would like a committee discussion on prioritization of work program elements. As noted during the formulation of the program, our UPWP is overprogrammed with options, so we need to decide projects to advance next. Options from the UPWP include Canalway trail alignment options, traffic counts, Route 9 corridor study, local traffic signal analysis. Stu Baker indicated a preference for the Route 9 study and the traffic signal analysis. Aaron expressed a desire to not have the Route 9 study be conflated with the EDCWC-led re-analysis of the Exit 20 area; Ed Bartholomew confirmed that that study was anticipated to be completed by the end of this calendar year. Steve Haskins noted a preference to initiate the traffic count program. Laura Oswald asked if projects not discussed would be implemented; Aaron replied that we weren't eliminating projects from consideration but rather prioritizing them.

5. TIP

- A. Amendments and Modifications
 - 1) Warren County Bridge Painting projects - Warren County has requested two amendments to ongoing bridge preservation projects (copies of these requests have been sent to TAC members)
 - CR 44 over the Hudson: total removal or corrosion and paint, total cost of C and CI now \$1.079M from \$0.483M
 - CR 13 and 31: total removal or corrosion and paint, total cost of C and CI now \$0.913M from \$0.733

A motion was made to approve the requested TIP amendments.

Moved by: Stu Baker Seconded by: Ed Bartholomew Motion carried.

- B. Project updates from sponsors (developments since last meeting)
 - Warren County - (Ed Doughney) -
 - Blair Road bridge construction underway, anticipated July-August completion
 - Palisades Road bridge - PE underway
 - CR44 bridge painting project - design approval to be received within a week, anticipated letting in September
 - CR 13 and 31 bridge painting project - design approval received, letting in August

- CR 17, 52, 79 pavement preservation - let in March, favorable bids received, award concurrence issued, construction to begin within one month
- West Mountain Road pavement preservation - PE in house, design approval anticipated in August
- Bay Road pavement preservation - design by consultant (GPI), working towards obligation in FFY 15-16

Kevin Hajos reported the final bill from the Exit 18 project has been processed.

- Washington County - (Steve Haskins) -
 - CR 113 bridge replacement - SHPO review underway, anticipated construction in 2017
 - CR 10 bridge replacement - design being led by State of Vermont, no update
 - Center Falls Road / Lower Turnpike bridge painting project - kick-off meeting pending
- Saratoga County - (Tom Speziale) - CR 31 pavement preservation project to be let this month, anticipated 2-3 week construction duration.
- Town of Moreau - Aaron reported that the Town of Moreau has confirmed that pavement preservation projects for Feeder Dam Road and Reservoir Road are moving forward.
- Glens Falls - Ed Bartholomew reported that consultant procurement has been completed for the Fire Road TAP project.
- Queensbury - no ongoing federal aid projects.
- NYSDOT - (Frank Bonafide) -
 - Bridge painting projects for 418 over the Schroon, Lock 6, and 149 over the Champlain Canal will be completed this season
 - Route 9 bridge over Trout Brook - to be completed this season
 - Route 9 gateway project to be substantially completed this season, with project shutdowns as necessary for seasonal traffic
 - Also to be completed this year - maintenance paving of Route 40 in Greenwich and corrective repairs to Route 197 bridge over the east branch of the Hudson River
 - Baldwin's Corner Road bridge over the Champlain Canal to be let in late 2016

C. TIP Development Update

- 1) Proposed contents of draft TIP - (Aaron) - Following a soft solicitation of potential projects from capital sponsors and a review of A/GFTC planning targets, a draft preliminary program was presented to a TIP development subcommittee on March 21. The draft program sent to committee members two weeks ago contains the same content as what was reviewed by the subcommittee. Any cost changes are the result of introducing inflation factors per NYSDOT MO instruction. A summary sheet of the project roster, as well as one depicting fiscal constraint, were distributed and discussed. Aaron noted an error in the tables: the GGFT project to replace three trolleys is scheduled for FFY16-17, not FFY 17-18. The committee reaffirmed that pavement preservation solicitations should be conducted annually; Aaron stated that the FFY 16-17 solicitation would be issued within the next two weeks.

2) Approval for public comment - a motion was made to approve of the release of the draft TIP for public review and comment prior to Policy Committee consideration.

Moved by: Kevin Hajos Seconded by: Steve Haskins Motion carried.

6. **Other Items - none**

7. **Adjourn** - a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 2:15 PM.

Moved by: Scott Sopczyk Seconded by: Ed Doughney Meeting adjourned.