

Cape Cod Joint Transportation Committee (CCJTC)

**Cape Cod Commission Conference Room
3225 Main Street (Route 6A), Barnstable, MA 02630**

Minutes – October 11, 2013

<i>Name</i>	<i>Representing</i>
Joseph Rodricks, P.E., Chairman	Dennis, Town Engineer
George Allaire, P.E., Vice Chairman	Yarmouth, DPW Director
Roger Parsons, P.E.	Barnstable, Town Engineer
Neil Andres	Eastham, DPW Superintendent
Bob Bersin, P.E.	Brewster, DPW Superintendent
Paul Tilton, P.E.	Sandwich, DPW Director
Jeff Colby	Chatham, DPW Director
Catherine Laurent	Mashpee, DPW Director
Chris Anzuoni	Plymouth & Brockton, St. Railway Co.
Jack McCormack	Cape Cod Commission, Yarmouth Representative
Edward Gross	Bicycle Representative
Pamela Haznar	MassDOT
Dennis Walsh	Cape Cod Regional Transit Authority (CCRTA)
Robert Burgmann, P.E.	Greenman-Pederson Inc. (GPI)
Joseph Magni	Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc.
Glenn Cannon, P.E.	Cape Cod Commission
Steve Tupper	Cape Cod Commission
Martha Hevenor	Cape Cod Commission
Tabitha Harkin	Cape Cod Commission
Michelle Springer	Cape Cod Commission
Lisa Dillon	Cape Cod Commission

Call to Order: Chairman Joe Rodricks, called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. Upon a motion by George Allaire, seconded by Neil Andres, the minutes of the June 14, 2013 approved.

Joe Rodricks welcomed everyone back. Mr. Rodricks suggested that future meetings will be called on an as-needed bases. He would like to see periodic status updates on projects

Preliminary Cape Cod Transportation Improvement Program

Glenn Cannon gave a power point presentation on the TIP. The presentation covers the Federal Fiscal Years 2014 – 2017. He stated that the Cape Cod Commission and MassDOT are working together to determine which projects need to be bumped in TIP Year 2015 & 2016. Explaining that the Barnstable, Rte 28/Bearses Way updated cost was increased by \$1,679,520 in Year 2015 and Orleans, Main St/Rte 28 & Main St/Rte6A updated cost was increased by \$970,544 in Year 2016, he stated that projects may need to be juggled around.

Joe Rodricks stated the Town Representatives need to be at meetings so that there is better control on which projects will move forward. Rogers Parsons added that we need to get a better grip on projects and focus on “real cost” moving forward.

Joe Magni asked that review of safety oriented projects on the TIP that include environmental consideration and adjacent neighborhoods, be added to the draft agenda. High crash areas are also a priority.

Pam Haznar explained that \$7.5 million is allocated to the region annually. The STP category is the largest; CMAQ & HSIP are 20%. STP can only be used for general purposes and doesn't qualify for CMAQ or safety.

Mr. Cannon referred to the attached MAPC Summary of the Transportation Finance Bill – H3535 – Conference Committee Report.

There was a discussion about a potential TIP project in Wellfleet at the intersection of Route 6 at Main Street. Mr. Rodricks asked how changes in the TIP are determined. Mr. Cannon explained that there is never enough funding to the TIP to meet requests and that an MPO Process (including CCJTC recommendations) is used to determine project funding.

George Allaire stated that Route 6 at Union Street is not included in the safety audit and that the project is in need of funding. Roger Parsons asked what steps need to be taken to identify safety issues. Mr. Cannon explained that traffic locations need to be updated, at which point they can be evaluated.

Joe Rodricks asked that updates be given on all highway TIP projects. He followed up by stating that Route 28 at Upper County Rd will be finished next spring. The Upper County Bridge has been closed and he has been hearing that people are happy and have good reviews. Route 28 in Dennis has some safety issues and a safety audit will be done next week.

Roger Parsons commented that utility costs need to be included in projects. Roger also shared that he supports the Barnstable, Rte 28 Intersection/Bearses Way.

Jeff Colby stated that Chatham needs to be reevaluated and to remain in the TIP year as there are outdated signal systems. It is in the design stage through town funding.

Neil Andres commented that the bike trail signals lead to the the Nation Seashore – Should these be included in the TIP?

Paul Tilton commented that the total crash locations need to be updated for the Town of Sandwich.

Catherine Laurent stated that there has not been a lot of public participation regarding the Route 151 Rotary.

Pam Haznar gave updates as listed below:

Falmouth: Route 151/28A project is advancing. They get gets calls from the public regarding the connection of bicycle, pedestrian and rail trail. Ed Gross added that Rout 151 is a major route.

Orleans: Route 6A/28 at Main street project, Ms. Haznar suggested breaking up the project in each year then MassDOT could look into advancing separately.

Bourne: Improving Route 6 (Scenic Highway) from Belmont Circle to the Sagamore Bridge is an ongoing job with the ultimate goal of a medial along the entire length.

Unified Planning Work Program – Year End Review

Mr. Cannon began with introduction of the Cape Cod Commission staff that will be assisting on MassDOT projects which included Michelle Springer and Tabitha Harkin and Martha Hevenor. Mr. Cannon explained that there are ongoing discussions on the options related to the Bourne Rotary Study (Task 3.1). Discussion on that study included public concern of traffic in surrounding neighborhoods. Mr. Cannon stated that CCC staff is working on adjustments to address the public concerns. Mr. Cannon was happy to hear that Yarmouth has considered recommendations from the Yarmouth Route 28/Living Complete Streets Project (Task 3.3). GIS has been a huge contribution to all projects. Martha Hevenor explained that the CCC is working on compiling data to update data layers in each town for the RTA/Bike Paths. The Hyannis Access Study Implementation was completed under “Follow-up to Previous” studies due to lawsuit related to the airport improvement project that put the study on hold. The implementation of this project will be broken into components as funding is available with the phase (Route 28 at Yarmouth Rd) currently on the TIP. Rather than hiring consultants, the CCC was able to deliver information from the in house project team for the Hyannis Access Study Implementation and will be able to carry this forward into future work products.

Dennis Walsh gave updates on the CCRTA stating the ridership has been consistently increasing and highlighting the successes of the Bike Shuttle project, new bus demonstration routes and the Cape Flyer.

Ms. Haznar stated the Bourne Rt 28 project may be pushed out due to restriping of the pavement potential turnaround improvements.

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Martha Hevenor went through the presentation. Explaining that discussion with MPO concluded that focus on public participation is required for compliance with the MPO Certification Review. These requirements are always changing. During presentation conversation was had stating that this is nationwide and there is a lot of pressure for compliance.

Public Comment

Other Business

Adjourn: Joe Rodricks motioned to adjourn; Neil seconded the motion, meeting adjourned at 9:25 am