

# Cape Cod Joint Transportation Committee (CCJTC)

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

Minutes – April 11, 2014

<b>Name</b>	<b>Representing</b>
Joseph Rodricks, P.E., Chairman	Dennis, Town Engineer
George Allaire	Yarmouth, Town of
Terry Whalen	Chatham, Town of - Alternate
Lincoln Hooper	Harwich, DPW Director
Mark Vincent	Wellfleet, DPW Director
Dan Santos, P.E.	Barnstable, DPW Director
Neil Andres	Eastham, DPW Director
Roger Parsons, P.E.	Barnstable, Town Engineer
John D. Harris	Cape Cod Commission
Edward Gross, MD	Bicycle Representative
Bob Bersin	Brewster, DPW Director
Pamela Haznar, P.E.	MassDOT
Timothy Kochan	MassDOT – District 5
Bryan K. Pounds	MassDOT, OTP Liaison
Tom Daley	Orleans, Town of
Christopher Clark	Harwich, Town Administrator
Dennis Walsh	CCRTA
Sallie K. Riggs	Bourne Transportation Advisory Committee
Tom Stokes	Howard Stein Hudson Associates
Robert Burgmann, PE	Greenman-Pederson, Inc.
Ken Petraglia	BETA Group
Joe Magni	VHB, Inc.
Lee Peck	Weston & Sampson
Glenn Cannon, P.E.	Cape Cod Commission
Steve Tupper	Cape Cod Commission
Lev Malakhoff	Cape Cod Commission
Garry Meus	Cape Cod Commission
Lisa Dillon	Cape Cod Commission

## Call to Order

Chairman Joe Rodricks called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

**Minutes of the March 14, 2014 Meeting** - Upon a motion my George Allaire, seconded by Roger Parsons, the meeting meetings were approved.

**Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2015:**  
on potential FFY 2015 UPWP Project Tasks.

– Glenn Cannon, CCC Director of Technical Services

Update

Mr. Cannon reviewed the FY 2015 UPWP Funding Summary. The listed projects include Task 1 through Task 5 along with additional planning efforts. Mr. Cannon seeks direction from the CCJTC to compile projects for UPWP. He pointed out that GIS has become an important part of planning and the data will be used while compiling the Regional Transportation Plan. He mentioned that Climate Change Public Engagement is part of the recertification requirements of the MPO, as mentioned in the review by the Federal Government. This information will tie in very well with the Regional Transportation Plan.

Mr. Allaire asked what the difference is between Complete Streets and Living Streets. Mr. Cannon explained that Complete Streets include all modes of transportation: i.e., bike, pedestrian and vehicle while Living Street include storm water drainage. Mr. Allaire stated that there is public resistance when following these models, the Route 124 project in Harwich as an example of that. Mr. Cannon agreed stating that it is our biggest challenge. We need to be very realistic with the towns/public before moving ahead with projects.

Robert Bersin stated that Brewster is not happy with projects as the proposed streets are 12' - 8' wide each way, making the roads 40ft wide. Mr. Rodricks stated that these are the rules of the Commonwealth; Pam Haznar stated that these rules are on principal arterials and the standards are changing allowing more flexibility. Ms. Haznar encourages the towns to meet with herself or Glenn early on so that the towns will know what they will be faced with. – It is all a balancing act.

Tim Kochan asked for Mr. Cannon to further explanation of the Falmouth Bike Plan and the Regional Transportation Plan.

Mr. Cannon explained that he is working with the Town of Falmouth to make improvements and connections to the Shining Sea bike path. Mr. Gross is working closely on that project.

Mr. Cannon explained that the projects in the RTP need to be able to stand up to storm impacts and climate change.

George Allaire motioned to approve the plan as presented, seconded by Lincoln Hooper, the vote was passed unanimously.

Mr. Rodricks explained that Lisa Dillon received a call from Steve Buckley requesting that he record the meeting. Mr Buckley was not present.

**Cape Cod Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for FFY 2015-2018:** Update on potential Project Lists for FFY 2015 – 2018 TIP.

– Steve Tupper, Technical Services Planner

Steve Tupper reviewed the 2015-2018 Draft TIP which highlights major transportation projects in the next 4 years both on highway and on the transit side. He asked that the committee be aware of the changes to the 2014 TIP which is included in the meeting packet. Today we are focusing on the Highway portion. Mr. Tupper stated that this is an initial draft by the CCC and MassDOT. Mr. Tupper encouraged feedback from the committee.

Mr. Cannon stated that he received an email requesting the Chatham Route 28 / Queen Anne Road be included.

Mr. Allaire commented that there are several projects on the TIP that include portions of Route 28. He asked if this route has been looked at comprehensively and Mr. Cannon responded stating that the funding is beyond our capability.

Mr. Rodricks asked for further clarification on the status of projects as it relates to the 25%, less than 25%. Ms. Haznar explained that less than 25% are in the preliminary design stage and 25% has an approved design, public hearing.

Ms. Haznar gave updates on the following projects:

- **Orleans, Main Street @ Route 28 & Main Street and Route 6A**  
Most reviews are done still waiting for one district review to be completed. Will be going to design public hearing within the next few months.
- **Barnstable, Route 28 @ Bearses Way**  
Completely reviewed at 25% and waiting for revisions. Will be going to design public hearing within the next few months.
- **Harwich, Route 124**  
Pre 25%, the plans are close to being submitted. Mr. Richards commented that the Board of Selectmen approved the project and are hoping to be at 25% this summer.
- **Chatham, Route 28 – George Ryder Road to Barn Hill Road**  
Under review.
- **Barnstable, Route 28 at Yarmouth Road**  
Expecting the 25's by the spring.
- **Falmouth, Route 28A at Route 151**  
Road safety audit has been completed and waiting for the draft. The next step is setting up a public information meeting there are no design concepts, looking for public input.
- **Dennis, Route 28 Corridor & Streetscape Improvements**  
25% submission, almost done with review.
- **Barnstable, Route 28/Strawberry Hill Road**  
Not sure how things will be moving forward and what funds are available.
- **Wellfleet, Route 6/Main Street**  
Design consultant getting on board.
- **Barnstable, Route 28 at Osterville, West Barnstable Road**  
There is a designer on board and will be meeting today to go over some potential alternatives.
- **Chatham, Rte 28 at Main St. Depot Rd, Queen Anne Rd and Crowell Rd**  
This is an approved project. Working on getting a designer on board.
- **Mashpee, Route 151**  
Designer on board, letters sent out, no date.
- **Bourne, Belmont Circle Traffic Improvements**  
Task force group performing study, no design at this time
- **Brewster, Route 6A resurfacing**  
Some work has been done, still working with the town. We do have engineered design plans and will have more information about this project on July 1. Mr. Bersin commented that the gas company is working on extending their service. Road work will need to be coordinated with them. Mr. Bersin stated that they have been very accommodating.

Mr. Rodricks asked for further explain the scoring category. Mr. Cannon replied that are several factors involved including environmental, impacts on neighborhoods, accommodations for all modes of transportation and connectivity.

Mr. Tupper stated that the CCCC is looking for guidance from the group to release a draft tip next month. Bring any suggestions from the meeting today which will be brought to the MPO on Monday.

Mr. Cannon explained as projects are moved around each year is affected. Explained that additional funding from the state allowed us to move Route 28 Orleans into 2015. Harwich wants to push back to 2016 which also helped us to move projects around. He stated that Route 28 Yarmouth Rd has been categorized as the most important intersection on Cape Cod and would like to try to address the Route 6 Wellfleet project.

Mr. Rodricks stated that Cape Cod has always worked together commenting that anything can be said in this room. Future years of the TIP are hard to predict so always bring your concerns for discussion.

Mr. Cooper would like to thank the committee for approved projects in Harwich. He then commented that the Route 124 project has been voluntarily moved 1 year, as the project is not ready.

Tim Whalen inquired about the “unprogrammed projects” Mr. Cannon responded stating that it is a short list. These projects are not solicited for as there are too many needs.

Mr. Parsons agreed with Mr. Allaire stating that we should take a more regional approach to Route 28 as a comprehensive project as well as work on Route 6A. We need to continue scrutiny of “unprogrammed projects” as a group and monitor the process.

Mr. Rodricks stated that in the town of Dennis in the 90’s the town supported designs assuming money would be available on the TIP, however was not included in. The project did eventually happen. The towns have to stay with it.

Edward Gross motioned to Endorse the 2015-2018 Draft TIP, which was seconded by Mr. Allaire, the vote was passed unanimously.

### **Public Comment/Other Business**

Mr. Cannon mentioned that the Route 124 comments have been included in the meeting packet.

Mr. Rodricks stated that the Rules and Regulations for pot hole repairs is available if anyone would like a copy. Ms. Haznar commented that \$40million has released Statewide for pothole repair of which \$30mil will be distributed throughout the commonwealth and is broken down by the Chapter 90 funding formula. These funds must be used up by June/September depending on the scope of the project. Mr. Allaire further explained that the funds can be used for pavement repairs, crack filling, equipment repairs and facilities repairs. The criteria are different depending on the complexity, but funds may be encumbered by June. To receive these funds each town will have to go through the chapter 90 process.

Dennis Walsh gave an RTA update stating that Capitol Budget is in full swing now which includes adding a 2 bay extension at the Dennis location and to begin the overhaul program of the gillig buses. These are 12 year vehicles and the FTA requires a midlife program. Hyannis transportation center is undergoing interior improvements and exterior expansion. The completed study regarding the 10 acres surrounding the property will be on the implementation schedule on 2015. The projects being considered are housing commercial development and a parking garage for that area. Through the state MAP program for seniors will be offering additional door to door service. The towns can register for service.

Mr. Cannon stated that at the meeting to discuss TIP day with MassDOT concerns were expressed regarding the CCRT construction in Barnstable. Mr. Parsons explained that he received a letter from Ms. Rohrbachs office who is working on an easement with the Town of Barnstable and Fish & Game. The project is moving forward. First step is easement, second is counsel vote.

Joe Magni explained that the push in Yarmouth was truncated and 25% exists. The only work that needs to be done is a survey from Higgins Road to Barnstable town line. A lot of work has been done already expecting 25% by end of summer. The Town of Barnstable is seeking their design funds from the Community Preservation Committee which requires a counsel vote and we expect that to happen next month.

Mr. Tupper announced that the Cape Cod Commission is starting our summer traffic counts. He has already heard from the towns, let him know if you have any requests. Mr. Malakhoff stated that we will accommodate as much as we can. If any of the locations are hazardous, we appreciate assistance. We ask MassDOT for assistance on busy roadways

**Adjourn:** Joe Rodricks motioned to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Mark Vincent at 9:40 a.m.

**Documents and Exhibits:**

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UPWP Funding Summary for FFY 2015

2015 – 2018 Draft TIP – Cape Cod “Highway” Target Projects

2014 – TIP projects

Harwich: Pleasant Lake Ave, Design Memorandum

MassDOT response letter

Copy of Email from citizens on Harwich regarding the Route 124 Project.