



Macatawa Area Coordinating Council

A Cooperative Effort Among Units of Government

MACC POLICY BOARD

July 25, 2022

12:00 pm

City of Zeeland, Howard Miller Community Center
14 S. Church Street, Zeeland, MI 49464

Policy Board

- Joseph Baumann
- Nathan Bocks
- ✦ Thomas Bird
- ✦ Amanda Cooper
- Ken DeWeerd
- Linda Howell
- Jim Gerard
- John Kleinheksel
- ✦ Kevin Klynstra
- Jeff Franklin
- ✦ Terry Nienhuis
- ✦ Tom Oonk
- ✦ Pankaj Rajadhyaksha
- Mike Sabatino
- ✦ Jim Storey
- Russ Te Slaa
- Todd Wolters

- ✦ Executive Committee

MINUTES

BOARD PRESENT: Tom Bird, Joe Baumann, Amanda Cooper, Jim Gerard,
Linda Howell, Kevin Klynstra, Terry Nienhuis, Tom Oonk, Mike Sabatino, Keith Van Beek

OTHERS PRESENT: Jim Camenga (Videographer), Eric Dykstra (MACC), Jeff Franklin (MDOT), Kelly Goward (ODC), Tyler Kent (MDOT), Jason Latham (MACC), Alec Miller (MACC), Kalib Perry (MDOT), Judy Visscher (MACC)

I. INTRODUCTIONS AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

*****It was moved by Mr. Bird, supported by Mr. Baumann to approve the June 6, 2022 meeting minutes as written. Motion carried.**

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS - none

III. PROJECT CLARITY UPDATE

A. MACC watershed grant updates –Ms. Goward presented an update on the grants still held by the MACC and/or ODC, detailing the activities that have occurred or will occur, and when they will be complete.

B. Approve contract for grassed waterway project (memo enclosed) – Ms. Goward shared information on the preparation and bidding of this project. Lakeshore Outdoors was the sole bidder who met requirements. MACC has a good history of working with this firm.

*****It was moved by Mr. Klynstra, supported by Ms. Howell to enter into a contract with Lakeshore Outdoors for a grassed waterway project as presented. Motion carried.**

IV. TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM

A. FY 2023 Unified Work Program Amendment – Mr. Miller shared details on a proposed study for identifying suitable pedestrian crossing(s) on Business Loop I-196. Mr. Van Beek shared this issue has been in discussion for several years, and this study would be the culmination of that discussion. Mr. Bird inquired about any data on non-motorized accidents at the present crossings. Mr. Miller shared that gathering that data that would be part of the study. MDOT would like our help in identifying crossings prior to the upgrade to the business loop. Continuity of the Macatawa Greenway would be desirable. Mr. Latham also noted that that data from this study would help with grant opportunities in the future.

*****It was moved by Mr. Baumann, supported by Mr. Oonk to approve the new work item (Section 3.3 – I-196 Business Loop Crossing Study) in the MACC's FY2023 Unified Work Program as presented. Motion carried.**

B. FY 2023 – 2026 Extra Funding – Mr. Miller explained how un-programmed money was divided up at the 7/11/22 TAC meeting.

*****It was moved by Mr. Bird, supported by Ms. Howell to approve the agreement as to how the FY23-26 un-programmed funds were divided as presented. Motion carried.**

C. FY 2020-2023 TIP Amendments – Mr. Miller shared details on the two amendments – widening a roadway approach at a CSX crossing and the I-196 Business Loop Crossing Study. Discussion about the process of splitting costs followed.

*****It was moved by Mr. Baumann, supported by Mr. Oonk to approve the two FY23-26 TIP Amendments as presented. Motion carried**

B. MDOT/FHWA Comments - Mr. Kent shared info on the ongoing I-196 project, with detail on the ramps at Byron Road. Mr. Franklin shared kudos from MDOT on the planning collaboration existing in our area for transportation projects.

V. ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES

A. Financial Report – Mr. Latham shared that the overall financials look good. MACC will try to have more of a visual “snapshot” of this data for future meetings.

B. MACC Executive Committee Report – Mr. Latham shared information about the well-attended MDOT Director meeting held earlier this month, the upcoming Holland Symphony Mariachi concert that MACC’s Community Enhancement Program is helping sponsor, and that MACC staff will be attending the MTPA conference in Flint, Michigan this week. He also shared he was impressed with the interaction and cooperation at the most recent TAC meeting.

VI. MEMBERS’ COMMENTS

A. Host sharing about their community – Mr. Klynstra shared highlights of “happenings” in the City of Zeeland -- including snow melt coming in the near future, new projects being planned for downtown Zeeland (multi-floor, mixed use buildings), Sound of Summer, Music on Main (using their Social District) a Criterion Bike Race coming up in August, and a couple street/sidewalk projects in the works.

B. Member questions or comments - none

VII. OTHER ISSUES AND ADJOURNMENT

*****It was moved by Mr. Oonk, supported by Mr. Sabatino to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried**

Next Meeting: August 22, Fillmore Township