

Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) – Meeting

**November 13th, 2023
10:00 AM**

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 9:59 AM

Members Present:

- Al Meshkin – Laketown Township
- Brett Laughlin – OCRC
- Brian White – City of Holland
- Craig Atwood – ACRC
- Kait Riegling – MAX Transit
- Ken DeWeerd – Fillmore Township
- Kevin Plockmeyer – City of Zeeland
- Luke Walters – MDOT
- Mike Sabatino – Port Sheldon Township
- Steve Bulthuis – Holland Charter Township
- Tom Oonk – Zeeland Charter Township

Others Present:

- Matt Block - MDOT
- Tyler Kent* - MDOT
- Alec Miller – MACC
- Jason Latham – MACC
- Eric Dykstra – MACC
- Tom Bird – MACC

*Zoom

2. APPROVAL OF 10/09/23 MEETING MINUTES

Tom Oonk made a **MOTION** to approve the 10/09/23 minutes. **SUPPORTED** by Ken DeWeerd. **MOTION PASSED.**

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

4. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Safe Streets for All (SS4A) Grant

Eric Dykstra explained that the MACC was awarded a SS4A grant. He gave an overview of the grant:

- SS4A Established by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)
- \$5 billion in appropriated funds (FY2022 – FY2026)
- FY2022 – 511 awardees, \$800 million
- FY2023 (First Round) – 235 awardees, \$82 million
- Eligible Applicants – counties, cities, towns, transit agencies, MPOs, tribal agencies
- Must have a Safety Action Plan before applying for Implementation Grant(s)
- MACC selected to receive \$240,000 in FY2023 to develop a Safety Action Plan (80% Match)

Eric also gave a timeline:

1. November 2023 - Take 9 Hours of Training on 2 CFR 200 (Understanding the Uniform Guidance Requirements for Federal Awards)
2. November 2023 - Kickoff Meeting Between MACC and FHWA
3. December 2023/January 2024 – Signed Agreement in Place
4. February 2024 – Request for Proposals
5. April 2024 – Consultant Selected
6. April 2025 – Safety Action Plan Completed
7. July 2025 – Apply for the First Round of Implementation Grants
8. July 2026 – Apply for Second Round of Implementation Grants

B. I-196 BL Pedestrian Study Public Meeting - Update

Alec Miller gave a quick overview of the meeting held last month.

5. ACTION ITEMS.

A. LRTP – Chapters

Alec Miller presented all comments regarding LRTP Chapters 10, 11, & 12. TAC okayed all the comments.

Craig Atwood made a **MOTION** to approve LRTP Chapters Ten, Eleven, and Twelve. **SUPPORTED** by Brett Laughlin. **MOTION PASSED.**

B. State Safety Targets for Calendar Year 2024

Alec Miller explained that it was time for the MACC to approve and adopt the state safety targets for calendar year 2024. There was no discussion and the targets were agreed upon.

Brett Laughlin made a **MOTION** to adopt the State Safety Targets for Calendar Year 2024. **SUPPORTED** by Brian White. **MOTION PASSED.**

6. COMMENTS BY MDOT

Luke Walters began by explaining that the Federal Aid Buyout Program for 2025 has been delayed due to a state match issue for federally funded trunkline projects.

Tyler Kent explained that the State Transportation Commission approved the latest 5-Year Program.

7. COMMENTS BY MACC STAFF

Jason Latham started by telling all TAC members to get their questions about SS4A to him ASAP. Also mentioned was that the MACC had a meeting with Paul Sachs from the Ottawa County Planning Department. The goal of the meeting was to make sure we were aligned with them.

Alec Miller mentioned he's working on the LRTP graphics. He is looking for pictures from members!

8. MACC MEMBER REPORTS / STATUS OF CURRENT PROJECTS

Port Sheldon Township – Just had its kickoff meeting for their EDA grants regarding the Consumer's property. Also tackling the short-term rental issue in the township.

CoH – Took bids for the Waverly/M-40 improvements. Also wrapping up a 6th Street project.

CoZ – Trying to finish up the Main Ave. project.

MAX – Still doing the route study.

Holland Charter Township – Greenly Street job from 112th 120th got the final layer put on and restoration work should start soon. The 8th Street project was completed.

Laketown Township – The bike path for Bluestar Highway got re-bid and was still high, but better than before.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:38 AM