

Meeting Minutes

Isanti County Government Center Cambridge, MN

October 27, 2016

Co-Chair Braastad called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and called for participation in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present:

Julie Braastad

Anoka County

Terry Turnquist

Isanti County

Tom Ryan

City of Blaine

Jack Davis

City of East Bethel

Gary Kirkeide Lisa Holcomb City of Ham Lake Arthur Township

Others Present:

Carolyn Braun

Coalition Administrator

Rick Olseen

Rep. Nolan Staff

Janna King

Isanti County EDA

Doug Fischer

Anoka County Highway Dept.

Paul Jung

MnDOT Metro District MnDOT Metro District

Sheila Kauppi Claudia Dumont

MnDOT District 3

Co-Chair Braastad declared a quorum to be present.

Davis made motion approving the minutes of the June 23, 2016 Meeting. Holcomb seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Braun gave a Treasurer's Report in Thorpe's absence. Motion by Davis, seconded by Ryan to accept the report. Motion carried.

With regards to the agenda topic of "RCI's and 65 Corridor Study", Kauppi and Jung presented information regarding a series of Reduced Conflict Intersections (RCI's) that they are planning on implementing on the TH 65 corridor in Anoka County. RCI's provide full through and turning movements (left-thru-right) for TH 65 mainline traffic, but the side street traffic is limited to right-in, right-out. Side street traffic wanting to go thru or left would first need to make a right turn onto mainline 65 and then do a U-turn in the opposite direction to get back to the intersection. An unsignalized RCI currently exists at 169th Avenue

New unsignalized RCI's are planned for the following intersections:

- 143rd Avenue
- 153rd Avenue
- 157th Avenue
- 181st Avenue
- 187th Avenue
- Klondike Drive
- 209th Avenue

A new signalized RCI is planned for Viking Blvd.

Samples of RCI layouts, evaluation matrixes and a handout from MnDOT's website for more information on this project was presented to the group. (See attached.)

King discussed the findings of the Manufacturer's Survey. Twenty-five businesses responded to the survey. The survey provided additional information to the group on the need for safety and ease of movement on this corridor from a business perspective. (A copy of the survey results is attached.)

Motion by Turnquist, seconded by Ryan to accept the report and make payment to Janna King for the survey.

Ideas for future agendas include preparing the 2017 budget, including dues, and continuing discussion of the joint MnDOT and Metropolitan Council's Principal Arterial Conversion Study findings.

With regards to working with the legislature, it was decided to wait until the January swearing in of members and start of the legislative session before making any further contact.

With regards to future programmed projects, Kauppi stated that there is no change from previous meeting reports. (See attachment for list of upcoming projects. In MnDOT District 3, Dumont noted that they are planning a pavement preservation project on TH 65 from the Anoka-Isanti border to Cambridge in 2019. They are also looking at constructing a signalized "T" intersection at TH 107 in Braham in 2020 (possibly 2019).

There were no new community updates from the members. The next meeting date is scheduled for Wednesday, November 16th at 7:00 p.m. at the Isanti County Government Center with the primary focus to adopt a budget for 2017.

Being no other business for the coalition, the meeting was adjourned at 8:54 p.m.