



Meeting Minutes

Isanti County Government Center
Cambridge, MN
February 28, 2019

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

Members Present:

Terry Turnquist	Isanti County
Heidi Steinmetz	Kanabec County
Marcia Westover	Cambridge
Steven Voss	East Bethel
Dan Denno	Oak Grove
Lisa Holcomb	Arthur Township
John Erlandson	Cambridge Township

Others Present:

Doug Fischer	Anoka County (Administrative Representative)
Jack Davis	East Bethel
Melissa Barnes	MnDOT Metro District

Co-Chair Turnquist declared a quorum to be present.

Approval of Minutes: Holcomb made motion approving the minutes of the September 27, 2018 meeting. Voss seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Annual Meeting Organizational Items were conducted as follows:

- a. Election of Officers for 2019:
 - i. For the Positions (2) of Co-Chair: Motion by Voss, seconded by Holcomb to nominate Terry Turnquist as Co-Chair. Motion by Turnquist, seconded by Voss to nominate Julie Braastad as Co-Chair. Being no other nominations, a vote was conducted. Motion approved.

- ii. For the position of Secretary: Motion by Holcomb, seconded by Voss to nominate Tom Ryan as Secretary. Being no other nominations, a vote was conducted. Motion approved.
 - iii. For the position of Treasurer: Motion by Turnquist, seconded by Holcomb to nominate Steven Voss as Treasurer. Being no other nominations, a vote was conducted. Motion approved.
 - iv. For the position of At-Large Member: Motion by Voss, seconded by Holcomb to nominate Dan Denno as At-Large Member. Being no other nominations, a vote was conducted. Motion approved.
- b. Recognition of Members/Alternates of Member Agencies:
- i. New representative for the city of Braham will be Robert Knowles (replacing Shawn Sullivan).
 - ii. New representative for the city of Cambridge will be Marlys Palmer (replacing Jim Godfrey).
 - iii. The City of Oak Grove has become a member. Representative for the city is Dan Denno and the Alternate Member is John West.
 - iv. New representative for the city of Spring Lake Park will be Robert Nelson (replacing Barbara Goodboe-Bisschoff).
 - v. New representative for Brunswick Township will be Gladys Nelson (replacing Craig Peterson).
- c. Establishment of Meeting Dates, Times and Locations:
Motion by Erlandson, seconded by Holcomb that the Coalition meetings will be conducted on the fourth Thursday of the odd months (January, March, May, July, September and November) at 7:00 p.m. at the Isanti County Government Center in Cambridge, Minnesota unless otherwise approved by the coalition.
- d. Designation of Doug Fischer to be the Administrative Representative as an Ex-Officio Non-Voting Member of the coalition was made by consensus.
- e. Work Plan / Goals for 2018
The coalition discussed a work plan and goals for 2019 to include:
- Public Outreach for the various construction projects on the corridor;
 - Involvement in the TH 65 PELS Study currently going on in Blaine, Spring Lake Park and Ham Lake;
 - Support for legislation that involves TH 65.
- Motion by Holcomb, seconded by Voss to approve the 2019 workplan. Motion approved.

Treasurer’s Report: a.) Treasurer Voss presented the Treasurer’s Report. Holcomb made motion approving the treasurer’s report, seconded by Erlandson. Motion approved. b.) An invoice for website services was presented to the coalition for approval for payment. Motion by Voss, seconded by Holcomb to make payment. Motion approved. c.) It was noted that the Treasurer will be sending out 2019 dues notices following this meeting.

Administrative Representative Report: Administrative Representative Fischer presented the updated the distribution lists for the coalition. A new directory listing with changes made will be sent out. With the addition of Oak Grove to the coalition a new letterhead and map on the website will be required. That will be forthcoming. Finally, it was noted that the Minnesota House of Representative’s Transportation Finance & Policy Division will be holding a Field Hearing in Blaine on March 1st. Rep. Nolan West will be introducing a bill for funding improvements on TH 65 at 109th Avenue in Blaine. Fischer will be testifying on that bill.

Programmed Projects:

- a. MnDOT Metro District – Melissa Barnes
 - i. RCI and Left Turnlane Extension Project in Anoka County. Barnes gave an update on the project. Year 2 of this project will begin shortly with the RCI’s at 143rd, 153rd, 181st and Viking will be done in 2019.
 - ii. PELS Corridor Study – 81st to Bunker Lake Boulevard. Barnes presented an update for the group and a handout was distributed. A public meeting for this project is scheduled for March 18th at the National Sports Center.
 - iii. MnDOT is planning on doing a resurfacing project in 2024 on the corridor but that may turn into bigger projects pending the outcome of the PELS Study.
- b. MnDOT District 3 – Melissa Barnes
 - i. The continuous “Green-T” project in Braham has been let for construction and will commence shortly.

Community Updates were provided by various members.

The next meeting of the coalition is scheduled for March 28th at 7:00 p.m. at the Isanti County Government Center, but since the January Meeting was cancelled due to weather and the coalition met in February there is a strong chance that this meeting will be canceled and not rescheduled. Notice will be provided at a later date.

Being no other business for the coalition, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.