

**ALBANY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION  
POLICY BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**Wednesday, June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2015  
2:30 – 4:30 pm**

Oregon Cascades West Council of Governments  
Upstairs Conference Room / 1400 Queen Ave. SE, Albany

**Policy Board Members Attending:** Amy Ramsdell, Annabelle Jaramillo, Floyd Collins, Gary Powell, and Roger Nyquist  
**Policy Board Members Absent:** Darrin Lane and Dave Beyerl  
**Alternates Attending:** Valerie Grigg Devis, and Walt Perry  
**Guests Attending:** Mark Volmert, Dan Fricke, Jon Goldman, Laurie Starha, and Jim Lawrence  
**Staff Attending:** Theresa Conley, and Emma Chavez

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	DECISION / CONCLUSION
I. Call to Order and Introduction	The Chair called the meeting to order at 2:30pm.	
II. Agenda Review		<b>No changes to the agenda were made.</b>
III. Public Comment		<b>There were no comments from the public.</b>
IV. Minutes of May 27 <sup>th</sup> , 2015 Meeting		<b>Consensus from the Policy Board to approve the May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2015 meeting minutes as written.</b>

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<p>V. Regional Transportation Plan TAC Appointments</p>	<p>Staff requested Board approval of members to serve on the RTP Technical Advisory Committee. Staff provided and updated list to replace the list included in the agenda packet. The list had been updated to include Lissa Davis, who is taking Gregg Gorthy’s position with the City of Jefferson. Gregg is retiring at the end of June, 2015. The Board was requested to approve TAC member appointments.</p>	<p><b>Consensus from the Policy Board to approve the Regional Transportation Plan TAC Appointments.</b></p>
<p>VI. AAMPO Staffing Contract Renewal</p>	<p>The current staffing contract with COG expires June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Staff provided in the agenda packet a revised contract, which incorporated revisions from Linn County Counsel and OCWCOG legal counsel. There were no other requested changes following the review at the previous Board meeting. All changes were highlighted. Members were requested to consider the revised contract for approval, which would renew the MPO staffing contract with the COG for a five year period.</p>	<p><b>Consensus from the Policy Board to approve the AAMPO Staffing Contract.</b></p>
<p>VII. Discussion on Federal Transportation Funding</p>	<p>Travis Brower was not able to attend the meeting and did not get a chance to connect via conference call.</p>	
<p>VIII. AAMPO Program Updates</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– AAMPO Regional Transportation Plan Staff has been working on three different technical memos with the consultant. Those are: a summary of existing plans in the area, a public involvement strategy, and draft goals and objectives. The team will be working on data collection and surveys. Staff will be holding stakeholder interviews and will be working on a website for the project. A kick off meeting will take place during the next Policy Board meeting.</li> <li>– Linn Benton Loop IGA Discussions in regards to the IGA continue.</li> <li>– Oregon MPO Consortium Work Program</li> </ul>	

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	<p>Staff summarized a proposed work program for the OMPOC position. Theresa reviewed with members the key areas the program will cover.</p>	
<p>IX. Jurisdictional Updates</p>	<p>City of Albany</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Floyd thanked ODOT and Benton County for their assistance on the work at North Albany. The project is scheduled to be completed and opened up by Labor Day.</li> </ul> <p>Linn County</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- In working with Halsey and Mill City for sidewalk improvements, the County continues to be reminded of the struggles that small communities face.</li> </ul> <p>ODOT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- ODOT will be conducting roadside vegetation maintenance along Hwy 20 between Albany and Corvallis. ODOT staff will contact property owners to alert them of the maintenance activities, which should improve visibility and safety.</li> <li>- ODOT put in a request for Quick Fix funds of \$70,000 to install an activated warning system on Hwy 20 at the intersection with Independence Hwy. This would only be an interim fix to alert oncoming traffic of vehicles at the intersection.</li> <li>- The Pioneer Mountain Eddyville project is running on schedule within the new contract.</li> <li>- The Hwy 34 Multi Model Path is scheduled to be completed in November. Linn County has run into some complications with widening the shoulders at Riverside Drive.</li> </ul> <p>Benton County</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Completing a grind inlay at West Thorton Lake. Chip seal will take place n July. Notification of the work will be going out.</li> </ul>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Construction at the roundabout is more than half way done. It is on schedule, within budget and scheduled to be completed by July 4, 2015.</li><li>- Benton County has gone out to bid for a consultant to assist with a new approach to the Corvallis to Albany Multi-Use. The idea is to begin outreach to property owners and farmers in the Fall, when the timing is better for them, and begin stakeholder meetings.</li></ul>	
X. Adjourn	Upcoming meetings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Regional Transportation Plan Kick off; July 22, 2015</li><li>- AAMPO Policy Board and Technical Advisory Committee joint meeting</li><li>- OMPOC; July 24, 2015</li></ul>	