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**MINUTES  
JULY 9, 2020  
RADCLIFF/ELIZABETHTOWN MPO  
POLICY COMMITTEE**

The Radcliff/Elizabethtown MPO Policy Committee met on Thursday, July 9, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. via Zoom. Those in attendance were:

**POLICY COMMITTEE**

Honorable Harry Berry, Chairman; Hardin County Judge/Executive  
Honorable Jeff Gregory, Mayor, City of Elizabethtown  
Honorable J. J. Duvall, Mayor, City of Radcliff  
Honorable Ronnie Joyner, Mayor, City of Brandenburg  
Ms. Bernadette Dupont, Federal Highway Administration  
Mr. Barry House, KYTC Division of Planning  
Mr. Kevin Young, KYTC District 4 Planning  
Mr. Derek Morris, KYTC Office of Transportation Delivery  
Mr. Glenn Arney, Transit Authority of Central Kentucky  
Mr. Bo Martin, Lincoln Trail Area Development District  
Mr. Mike Skaggs, Radcliff/Elizabethtown MPO & Lincoln Trail ADD

**Guests**

Mr. Todd Jeter, KY Division Administrator, Federal Highway Administration  
Mrs. Rebecca Hammond, Qk4, Inc.  
Mr. Tom Springer, Qk4, Inc.  
Mr. Gary Valentine,

Chairman Harry Berry called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

The first agenda item was consideration of the minutes from the April 30, 2020. Mayor Ronnie Joyner made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Mayor J. J. Duvall. Motion carried.

The second item on the agenda was an Introduction of Mr. Todd Jeter, the Kentucky Division Administrator for the Federal Highway Administration. Mr. Jeter discussed his vision for transportation in Kentucky and the work that he and his staff do to assist in the implementation of projects. Mr. Jeter said he looks forward to being able to get out more and meet local officials and others in Kentucky.

The third agenda item was a discussion on the possibility of designating the Bluegrass Parkway as an I-65 Spur. Mr. Gary Valentine joined the meeting and presented the committee with the potential paths for such a designation. He mentioned that there are two paths: the Administrative Route and the Congressional Route. He said the Administrative Route is basically Mr. Jeter's decision. The Congressional Route has no

timeframe and requires environmental approval and FHWA approves the route number. To date, KYTC has done only the congressional route. Upgrades are required to meet interstate standards for things like bridges and vertical clearance. Concerning Bluegrass Parkway, Mr. Valentine said that the option of re-naming the Bluegrass Parkway to Expressway has been discussed. The main issue is economic development and the misunderstanding of what Kentucky's parkways actually are, so re-naming could be the best solution.

The fourth agenda item was an update on the East Elizabethtown Connectivity Study (EECS) by Mr. Tom Springer and Mrs. Rebecca Hammond. In April, Qk4 was selected to be the consultant to lead the EECS. Tom Springer is Qk4's Project Manager and Rebecca Hammond is the Deputy Project Manager. Qk4 has enlisted Stantec as the subconsultant for the Travel Demand Modeling portion of the study, Corn Island/Third Rock for the Environmental Services, and K.S. Ware for the Geotechnical Services part of the EECS.

The project area for the study is east of US 31W as far north as Pear Orchard Road NW and as far south as the location where the Ring Road Extension will tie into US 31W.

Mr. Springer also covered the Study Goals and Purpose, Scope of Work, and the Study Team and Stakeholders that will be involved in the study. He also provided an update on where the study stands as of July 9, including a presentation of maps that include: Functional Classification, Curve Deficiencies, Lane Widths, Speed Limits, Shoulders, Truck Routes, Vehicle Hours/Delay, Volume to Capacity Ratio, Levels of Service, and Crash Density. Mr. Springer also discussed the project website and public outreach efforts, including social media.

The next steps include continuing work on existing conditions with a Project Team Meeting to be held in early fall.

The fifth agenda items was a discussion on the update of the Glendale Area Transportation Study. Mr. John David May provided the committee with an update of the work he has completed on the update of the Glendale Area Transportation Study. The original study was completed in 2008 and the MPO is working on an update to be sure the recommendations of the study meet the needs of the area in 2020. The MPO is working with a small group of stakeholders to review the original study and to assist with the update. The update will include a review of all relevant data including Average Daily Traffic (ADT) and crash data on roadways in the planning area. A review of the Glendale Mega Site will also be conducted to determine potential future uses. This analysis will result in a review of all proposed improvements to be sure they are still relevant and to determine if new needs should be considered. The projects will also be re-prioritized to fit the current needs of the Glendale area and the Mega Site.

The sixth agenda item was the following update from Mr. Kevin Young of KYTC District 4 on local projects:

**PROJECT UPDATES**  
(ALL FUTURE LETTING DATES ARE **TENTATIVE**)

**Hardin County:**

- (4-20.01) I-65 Interchange at KY 222 in Glendale – On hold
- (4-153.01) KY 251 improvements – AEI – Buying R/W clear end of 2020. Will be starting Utilities soon (fed funds in biennium)
- (4-198.00) Ring Road extension – No funds in Biennium
- (4-8801.00) KY 1357 widening – WMB – R/W Complete. U soon (fed funds in biennium). Anticipate C in next biennium.
- (4-9008.10,.20,.30) US 31W Rehab and Layman Ln., Bankview Dr., Starlite Ctr., KY 447 – August Letting – no major work this year
- (4-9012.00) Mini Roundabouts in Etown – Possible Spring 2021 letting – Will be in 3+ lettings
- (4-9017.00) Roundabout at US 31W Bypass and KY 1136 – In Design (HSIP) – Hope to let early 2021

**In Construction:**

- (4-7020.00) Etown Cardinal Drive – Complete minus corrective work
- (4-199.00) US 31W Bridge over RR in Westpoint Rehab – Complete
- (4-9008.40) – KY 220, KY 434, Blackjack Rd – Complete
- (4-1093.00) US 62 Bridge at Nelson/Hardin Line – Let Jan '20 – Stewart Richey Const. – 12/1/20 Completion

**Meade County:**

- (4-8702.00) KY 79 from KY 428 to KY 144 – CDP Consulting – DRU funds for a reduced scope in biennium but SPP so unsure if will advance. Looking at doing Design with HSIP funds along with 4-8703.00
- (4-8703.00) KY 79 from US 60 to KY 428 – CDP Consulting – DRU funds for a reduced scope in biennium but SPP so unsure if will advance. Looking at doing Design with HSIP funds along with 4-8702.00
- (4-8705.00) KY 79 from KY 1051 to KY 144 – PBFS redesign in process (mainly cut out Midway reconstruction). However, SPP funded in biennium so not likely to advance
- Brandenburg Sidewalks down Main St. to river park - City Grant – Nearly ready to let

**HSIP Intersections:** (4-9011.00) 7/7/20 – preliminary review – 2021 Letting

- Hardin County – US 31W @ KY 1136, US 31W @ Elm Road, KY 361 @ KY 3005
- Meade County – US 31W @ KY 1638

Next, Chairman Berry called for public comments. No public comments.

Chairman Berry then asked if there was any Other Business that needed to be discussed. No other business was brought forth.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 11:20 a.m.

The next meeting of the MPO Policy Committee was set for Thursday, October 8, 2020.



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**MINUTES**  
**AUGUST 20, 2020**  
**SPECIAL CALLED MEETING**  
**RADCLIFF/ELIZABETHTOWN MPO**  
**POLICY COMMITTEE**

The Radcliff/Elizabethtown MPO Policy Committee held a special called meeting on Thursday, August 20, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. via Zoom. Those in attendance were:

**POLICY COMMITTEE**

Honorable Harry Berry, Chairman; Hardin County Judge/Executive  
Honorable Jeff Gregory, Mayor, City of Elizabethtown  
Honorable Ronnie Joyner, Mayor, City of Brandenburg  
Mr. Paul Sanders, Chief District Engineer, District 4  
Mr. Emmet Holley, Deputy Garrison Commander, Fort Knox  
Ms. Bernadette Dupont, Federal Highway Administration  
Mr. Barry House, KYTC Division of Planning  
Mr. Charlie Allen, KYTD District 4 Planning  
Mr. Kevin Young, KYTC District 4 Planning  
Mr. John David May, Lincoln Trail Area Development District  
Mr. Mike Skaggs, Radcliff/Elizabethtown MPO & Lincoln Trail ADD

The agenda item for the meeting was Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #3 for KY 251 improvements from Ring Road (KY 3005) to Battle Training Road (KY 434). This amendment moves the project from state funding to federal funding, Surface Transportation Program (STP). The following is the funding breakdown for the project:

- Design – 2020 – \$500,000
- Utilities – 2022 – \$4,200,000
- Construction – 2023 – \$9,400,000
- TOTAL – \$14,100,000

Mayor Ronnie Joyner made a motion to approve the amendment. The motion was seconded by Mr. Paul Sanders. Motion carried.

With no other business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 10:05 am.