



MIC Policy Board
December 13, 2017
Meeting Summary

Meeting Location	Douglas County Gov't Center	
Note Taker(s)	Barb Peterson	
Members Present		
WI Co-Chair	Nick Baker	Douglas County Board of Supervisors
MN Co-Chair	Frank Jewell	St Louis County Board
	Broc Allen	Douglas County Suburban Townships
	Ed Anderson	City of Superior – Citizen Rep
	Wayne Boucher	City of Hermantown
	Mike Casey	DTA Board Representative
	Pete Clark	Douglas County Board of Supervisors
	Earl Elde	St. Louis County Suburban Townships
	Rosemary Lear	Douglas County Board of Supervisors
	Sam Pomush	Douglas County Board of Supervisors
	Bob Quade	City of Rice Lake
	Jenny VanSickle	City of Superior Common Council
Members Absent		* Excused Absence
	Warren Bender*	City of Superior Common Council
	Noah Hobbs	Duluth City Council
	Phil Larson	City of Proctor
	Dave Montgomery	City of Duluth
alternate	Gary Nowak	City of Proctor
alternate	Beth Olson	St Louis County Board
	Dan Olson	Superior Common Council
alternate	Wayne Nelson	Duluth Transit Authority
	Barb Russ*	Duluth City Council
alternate	John Werner	City of Rice Lake
Others Present		
	Chris Belden	MIC Planner
	Ron Chicka	MIC Director
	James Gittemeier	MIC Principal Planner
	Sheldon Johnson	MIC Deputy Director
	Barb Peterson	MIC Administrative Assistant



1. Introductions

Chair Nick Baker called the meeting to order at 6:31pm. All meeting attendees introduced themselves.

2. Committee Business

• Meeting Summaries – 10.18.17 & 11.13.17 (for approval)

Motion Discussion and Vote	Sam Pomush/Earl Elde moved to approve the 10.18.17 & 11.13.17 meeting summaries with the revisions as presented. There was no discussion and the motion was approved unanimously.
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Appt of MIC Policy Bd Member to ARDC Board

After a brief discussion Earl Elde accepted the nomination to remain the MIC representative to the ARDC Board.

Motion Discussion and Vote	Ed Anderson/Wayne Boucher moved to approve Earl Elde as the MIC Representative to the ARDC Board. There was no discussion and the motion was approved unanimously.
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Appt to the ATP/Ron Chicka & and alternate – Preferably a Bd Member from MN side

Ed Anderson nominated Wayne Boucher to be the alternate to the ATP along with Ron Chicka being the MIC Representative.

Motion Discussion and Vote	Ed Anderson/Frank Jewell moved to approve Ron Chicka as the MIC Representative to the ATP and Wayne Boucher as the alternate. There was no discussion and the motion was approved unanimously.
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MIC Director Report: (Please see meeting agenda descriptions)

Ron quickly reviewed the items in the agenda item descriptions.

3. BPAC Bylaws Revision, *James Gittemeier*

James briefly went over the changes that were made to these bylaws since the last time they were brought before the board. After asking for questions or comment he asked for a motion to approve the updated bylaws.

Motion Discussion and Vote	Sam Pomush/Jenny VanSickle moved to approve the BPAC Bylaws Revision 11.2017 as presented. There was no discussion and the motion was approved unanimously.
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4. 2018-2021 Duluth Area TIP Amendment #2, *Chris Belden*

Chris shared that the left over funds from Amendment #1 which was approved at the November phone in meeting, the additional funds were added to the Midway Rd project and a project on the Gooseberry River. With no questions or comments Chris asked for approval.

Motion Discussion and Vote	Frank Jewell/Rosemary Lear moved to approve the 2018-2021 Duluth Area TIP Amendment #2. There was no discussion and the motion was approved unanimously.
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5. MIC Area Wide Bike Plan, *James Gittemeier*

James provided a short history of the bike plan in the area. In 2013, the MIC assisted the City of Duluth with a bike lane inventory which was completed in 2014. This update of the area wide bike plan began after the inventory was done. James is now reaching out to the jurisdictions and Townships to get their input on the almost completed plan. James is hoping to present the final plan at the March Policy Board meeting for final approval.

Broc Allen commented that there needs to be a connection between Duluth and Superior via the Blatnik Bridge when rebuild plans start to be formed.

Frank Jewell commented that bike lanes that don't go anywhere won't be used. James responded that these connections will show in the plan.

6. Michigan St Protected Bike Lane/Final Report Draft, *James Gittemeier*

James gave a brief overview of the Final report of this project which includes the large amount of data collected. He is hoping to have the final revisions and tweaks completed by the end of December.

A suggestion was made that this type of project needs to be on Superior St in the near future.

7. 2018 UPWP-Downtown Duluth Parking Advisory Committee, *Ron Chicka*

8. Roundtable Discussion

- Jenny VanSickle brought up the need for a bus route to support the East End/Eloise district of Superior which is currently being ignored and looking for help. Ed Anderson supported Jenny's discussion.
- Transportation issue – LISC is looking for a partner to help address these issues – contact Jenny for more info.
- There were a few comments made concerning the unpopular decision at UWS to cancel some of the degree options.



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9. Project Updates – (please see agenda item descriptions included in the meeting materials)

- LRTP – Connections 2045, *Mike Wenholz*
 - Subcommittee Mtg to Follow TAC Mtg starting 1/16/18 with separate agenda

Mike reiterated that these meetings would begin in January and would immediately follow the TAC meeting.

- 2018-2021 Duluth TIP Administrative Modification #1, *Chris Belden*

Chris gave a short explanation of what this modification covered. Details in the meeting packet.

- 2019-2022 TIP Project Solicitation, *Chris Belden*

Chris shared that the application period has opened and is being extended to Feb 5th, 2018.

- Public Involvement Plan Update, *Rondi Watson*

Rondi explained that this plan is progressing and will hopefully be ready for approval in January.

- Truck Route Study, *Mike Wenholz*

Mike gave a brief update on the progress of this study.

10. Adjournment

With no further agenda items, discussions or announcements, Chair Baker adjourned the meeting at 8:03 pm.