



## **Minutes of the Hattiesburg-Petal-Forrest-Lamar Metropolitan Planning Organization**

### **POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES JULY 24, 2019**

The **Policy Committee** of the **Hattiesburg-Petal-Forrest-Lamar Metropolitan Planning Organization** met in session **JULY 24, 2019** at 10:00 a.m. in the Community Room of the Hattiesburg Intermodal Facility in Hattiesburg, Mississippi.

#### **Policy Committee Members Present:**

Mayor Toby Barker	City of Hattiesburg	Voting
Chris Bowen, District 5 Supervisor	Forrest County	Voting
Michael Hershman, County Planner	Lamar County	Voting
Perry Brown, Statewide MPO Coordinator	MDOT-Planning	Voting
Andrew Ellard, Executive Director of HPFL-MPO	City of Hattiesburg	

#### **Other Members:**

Shundreka Givan, AICP	FHWA
Nick Connolly, Shows, Dearman & Waits	

#### **MPO/HCT Staff**

Addie West, MPO Administrative Assistant	City of Hattiesburg
Hema Gopalan, MPO GIS Specialist	City of Hattiesburg
Grant Hobgood, MPO GIS Technician	City of Hattiesburg

#### **Visitors**

None

**Called to Order/Introductions:**

Hattiesburg-Petal-Forrest-Lamar MPO Technical Committee meeting was called to order by Forrest County Supervisor Chris Bowen, Vice Chairman of the HPFL-MPO in the absence of the Chairman Mayor Hal Marx. Voting Delegates for each LPA were identified.

**AGENDA SESSION:**

**There came the matter of Item III, Approval of the JULY 24, 2019 HPFL-MPO Policy Committee Agenda.** A motion was made by Mayor Barker and seconded by Michael Hershman to Approve the Agenda. The motion was unanimously approved. The motion carried.

**There came the matter of Item IV, Review and Approve the HPFL-MPO Policy Committee meeting**

Minutes **for APRIL 17, 2019.** Chris Bowen asked that one duplicate sentence relative to his statement in Item VI be stricken from minutes. A motion was made by Mayor Barker and seconded by Michael Hershman to Recommend to Approve the Minutes with this correction. The motion was unanimously approved. The motion carried.

**There came the matter of Item V, TIP Amendment Applications.**

The committee reviewed the TIP Amendment Applications submittals. A motion was made by Mayor Barker and seconded by Michael Hershman to Vote to Acknowledge modifications and corrections to the 2019-2022 TIP as it relates to projects and funding from FTA for Hub City Transit. The motion was unanimously approved. The motion carried.

**There came the matter of Item VI, RFP for Pavement Management Plan.**

The committee reviewed the Preliminary Engineering Contract with monetary amounts added since the Technical Committee Meeting. The committee agreed with Andrew Ellard that the date be changed from July 24, 2019 to August 31, 2019 to allow time for County Boards & City Council to meet. A motion was made by Mayor Barker and seconded by Chris Bowen to Vote to enter into an agreement with Southern Mississippi Planning & Development District for the creation of a Pavement Management Plan, contingent upon commitment from each jurisdiction wishing to participate by August 31, 2019. The motion was approved with a vote of three to one with Michael Hershman voting no. The motion carried.

**There came the matter of Item VII, Public Comment Opportunity.**

Mayor Barker stated that we will continue to foster cooperation with our neighboring entities.

**There came the matter of Item VIII, Other Business/Local Business.**

Andrew Ellard stated that applications had be submitted for another FTA Grant to improve Bus Stops. Chris Bowen asked if the HPFL-MPO had a part in the Beautification Projects in Hattiesburg. Mayor Toby Barker stated that they are in the process of Beautification Projects in Hattiesburg around 29th Ave & 34th Ave at the present time. They will start on 38th & 40th next. Mayor Barker and Mr. Bowen reported on recent BUILD grant applications submitted by their entities.

**There came the matter of Item IX, Adjournment.**

The next scheduled Policy Committee meeting is on October 23, 2019. A motion was made by Mayor Barker and seconded by Michael Hershman to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned.

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Andrew Ellard, Executive Director of HPFL-MPO

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Attest:

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Addie West, Recording Secretary

Date: \_\_\_\_\_