

Local Rural Task Force #3 Meeting
November 12, 2015
Barry County Road Commission - Hastings, MI

In Attendance

Jake Welch	Barry County Road Commission
Duane Weeks	Village of Middleville
Alec Belson	Village of Middleville
Jeff Mansfield	City of Hastings
Steve Redmond	Michigan Department of Transportation, Grand Region
Darrell Harden	Michigan Department of Transportation, Southwest Region
Bill Voigt	Barry County Transit
Mike Bremer	Thornapple Township
Steve Stepek	Kalamazoo Area Transportation Study
Megan Arndt	Kalamazoo Area Transportation Study
Fred Nagler	Kalamazoo Area Transportation Study

Handouts:

Agenda

Barry County Local Rural Task Force Meeting Minutes – January 7, 2014

Call for Projects, 2017 – 2020

2014 – 2017 RTF Region 3 TIP Spreadsheet

The Barry County Local Rural Task Force Meeting was called to order at 10:04 a.m. at the Barry County Road Commission.

Approval of Previous Local Rural Task Force Minutes

There were no corrections to the minutes of the previous sub-task force meeting.

MOTION by Welch, SUPPORT by Weeks, ***“to approve the minutes of the January 7, 2014 Local Rural Task Force Meeting.”*** Motion approved.

Review of Approved RTF Region #3 Projects for 2016 and 2017

Before the discussion began on projects, Harden summarized the decision, reported in the November 9, 2015 Letter, from the Rural Task Force Oversight Board to revise the target amounts of funding for Fiscal Years 2016 and 2017. Because there was some confusion as to the basis for the target amounts on page 3 of the 2017 - 2020 Call for Projects, it was recommended that the Region use the previously approved amount for FY 2016 and the amount shown in the call for FYs 2017 - 2020.

There were no proposed changes to the 2016 project.

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Since Barry County had given up most of their recommended share of funding in 2014, 2015 and 2016 in order to apply a larger amount on one project in 2017, it was recommended that the 2017 amount proposed for consideration at the next Region 3 meeting be kept the same.

There was some discussion regarding the recent transfer of Barry County from MDOT's Southwest District to its Grand District and whether that would change the Rural Task Force district to which it belongs. Unless and until legislation is passed doing so, the region will not change.

Call for Projects for 2017 - 2020

Barry County Transit did not propose any projects to be included in the 2017 – 2020 Call.

The Village of Middleville and Barry County proposed projects as summarized below for the 2017 – 2020 Call:

Fiscal Year	Agency	Project	STL	EDD
2017	Barry County Road Commission	Lawrence Road, M-43 to Charleton Rd	\$1,515,000	\$379,000
2017	Barry County Road Commission	Pavement Markings	\$290,000	
2018	Village of Middleville	Main Street, Robin to Sixth Street	\$120,000	
2018	Barry County Road Commission	Preventative Maintenance	\$431,834	\$115,828
2019	Barry County Road Commission	Hickory Road, M-43 to Kellogg School	\$551,834	\$88,166
2019	Barry County Road Commission	Preventative Maintenance		\$27,662
2020	Barry County Road Commission	Preventative Maintenance	\$551,834	\$115,828

STL = Surface Transportation Program - Rural EDD = Transportation Economic Development Fund – Category D

MOTION by Welch, SUPPORT by Belson, “to reaffirm the already adopted projects for FY 2016 and FY 2017, and to adopt projects for the 2017 – 2020 Call for Projects as proposed.” Motion approved.

Following the vote, there was some discussion of how the program is expected to move forward as well as how funds are allocated and what activities are eligible.

Welch asked that member agencies propose what they would consider fair use of RTF funding so that they can all work together.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Other Business

There was no other business brought forward.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:48 am.

Minutes Approved:

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