

**GENESEE TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL
QUARTERLY BOARD MEETING
Henrietta Town Hall
Henrietta, NY**

May 31, 2001

GTC BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Marvin Decker, Genesee/Finger Lakes Regional Planning Council (Chairman)
John Doyle, Monroe County Executive, (Vice-Chairman)
James Fabino, Wayne County
Lois Giess, Rochester City Council
Daniel Hogan, Monroe County At-Large Member
Ed Marianetti, Monroe County At-Large Member
William Nojay, R-GRTA
Channing Philbrick, Monroe County Association of Town Supervisors

ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT

Ed Doherty, City of Rochester, representing William Johnson
Joan Dupont, NYSDOT, representing Charles E. Moynihan (Secretary)
Wayne Houseman, Ontario County, representing Donald Ninestine
Anne Humphrey, Wyoming County, representing A. Douglas Berwanger
Andy Moore, Monroe County Legislature, representing Dennis Pelletier
Charles E. Moynihan, NYSDOT, representing Joseph Boardman
Charles Nesbitt, Jr., NYS Dept. of Economic Development, representing Charles Gargano
Richard Rudolph, Genesee County, representing Mary Pat Hancock
David Thielman, NYS Thruway Authority, representing John Platt
David Woods, Livingston County, representing James Merrick
Roslyn Webber, Federal Highway Administration, representing Robert Arnold

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Steven Finn, Director of Planning, Ontario County
Steve Hendershott, Monroe County Association of Town Supervisors
Marvin Kleinberg, NYSDOT
Terrence Rice, Director, Monroe County DOT
Rob Slaver, NYSDOT

GTC BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT AND UNREPRESENTED

Philip Birto, Federal Aviation Administration
Bonnie Coles, Monroe County Planning Board
Erin M. Crotty, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation
Robert Hayssen, Seneca County
Robert Multer, Yates County
James Patrick, Rochester City Planning Commission
Letitia Thompson, Federal Transit Administration
Marcia Tuohey, Orleans County
Rochester – At Large (vacant)

1. Call to Order

Chairman Decker called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. at the Henrietta Town Hall.

2. Roll Call

Mr. Stack, GTC Staff, called the roll; a quorum was present.

3. Public Forum

Steve Hendershott addressed the Council with a question regarding the Chili Interchange Feasibility Study. Specifically, he asked if the funds for the Interchange project could be transferred to another local project so that the area would not lose out on this money if the Interchange Feasibility Study determines that a thruway exit is not justified.

Steve Gleason responded that it is likely that these funds could be shifted to another project. Chuck Moynihan added that because the funds were specifically earmarked for this project by Congress, that it would take an act of Congress to get them redirected to another project.

4. Approval of Minutes

Wayne Houseman made a motion for approval of the minutes from the **March 8, 2001 GTC Quarterly Board meeting; Channing Philbrick seconded the motion.** The minutes were approved as submitted.

5. Communications and Announcements

No communications or announcements were received.

6. Reports and Action on Old Business

a. Planning Committee Report

David Woods provided the following report:

There were no action items from the March 15 Planning Committee meeting.

At its April 26 meeting the Planning Committee recommended adoption of the following resolutions:

Proposed Resolution 01-6: Amending the 1999-2004 TIP by increasing the cost of, and moving funds for, the City of Rochester's Elmwood Avenue Bridge Project.

Proposed Resolution 01-7: Amending the 1999-2004 TIP by increasing the cost of, and moving funds for, the City of Rochester's Port of Rochester Harbor Improvements Project.

At its May 17 meeting the Planning Committee recommended adoption of the following resolutions:

Proposed Resolution 01-8: Adopting the 2001-2006 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Re-endorsing the Long Range Transportation Plan Update for the Greater Rochester Area 2000-2020; and Proposed Resolution 01-9: Certifying that All Federal Planning Requirements are Met.

Proposed Resolution 01-10: Amending the 1999-2004 TIP by Adding \$683,753 to the Rochester-Genesee Regional Transportation Authority's Jobs Access/Reverse Commute Project to Continue and Expand the Operation of Bus Routes to Connect Urban Residents with Suburban Employment Sites.

Proposed Resolution 01-11: Amending the 1999-2004 TIP by Adding a Placeholder for Recreational Trails Program (RTP) funding.

Proposed Resolution 01-12: Accepting the Park & Ride Study Final Report as Completion of UPWP Task 8120.

b. GTC Executive Director's Report

Steve Gleason provided the following report:

The FY 2001-2002 UPWP has been published. GTC Staff have started work on the new UPWP projects. The FY 2001-2002 UPWP includes 17 new projects, the completion of several rollover projects, and the advancement of on-going projects.

The TIP process has taken significant staff time. Mr. Gleason reviewed TIP development activities since the last Board meeting, leading to the Draft 2001-2006 Transportation Improvement Program, which is being presented at today's meeting.

GTC received four responses to the Rochester Amtrak Station Revitalization Study RFP. A selection committee will be established. Study kickoff is expected in early July with completion by December 2001 / January 2002.

The Staff Strategic Plan is being advanced.

GTC is on track to move into CityPlace by August 1st.

The Access Management Case Studies are all progressing with plans to present at the September Board meeting.

New project management software was installed and staff is being trained.

Chase Corporate Challenge will be held on the evening of May 31, 2001.

7. New Business

- a. Steve Gleason gave a brief description of the TIP and the new process developed jointly with NYSDOT for all seven counties (TMA and outside the TMA). The following resolutions were presented:

Proposed Resolution 01-8: Adopting the 2001-2006 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Re-endorsing the Long Range Transportation Plan Update for the Greater Rochester Area 2000-2020; and Proposed Resolution 01-9: Certifying that All Federal Planning Requirements are Met.

Mr. Nojay made a motion for approval of Resolution 01-8 and 01-9; Mr. Doherty seconded the motion. The motion passed unopposed.

Ed Marianetti complimented Steve Gleason and the staff on the TIP process and document.

Ed Doherty complimented the staff and committees efforts noting it reflects regional planning and cooperation.

- b. Steve Gleason gave a brief description of the following resolutions:

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Mr. Fabino made a motion for approval of Resolutions 01-6, 01-7, 01-10, 01-11; Mr. Doherty seconded the motion. The motion passed unopposed.

Mr. Doyle asked if the Regional Trails Program placeholder requirement resolution being presented at today's meeting (Resolution 01-11) is standard operating procedure for the State. Mr. Doyle was concerned that the state does not announce project recipients until the latter part of the fiscal year. He felt that the state should be working more directly with the MPOs and their schedules so that placeholder resolutions wouldn't be necessary.

Mr. Doherty asked for clarification of undefined placeholder. Joan Dupont explained the State's role and that the alternative to doing a placeholder resolution would be a mail ballot.

Mr. Doyle then made a motion requesting that staff draft a letter to the state for Mr. Decker's signature requesting that the State change their schedule for this program. Mr. Doherty seconded the motion. The motion passed unopposed.

- c. Steve Gleason gave a brief description of Resolution 01-12.

Proposed Resolution 01-12: Accepting the Park & Ride Study Final Report as Completion of UPWP Task 8120.

Ms. Humphrey made a motion for approval of Resolution 01-12; Mr. Philbrick seconded the motion. The motion passed unopposed.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m.