

**MACORTS Policy Committee**  
Oconee County Courthouse – Commission Chambers  
23 North Main Street - Watkinsville  
Wednesday, October 8, 2014  
10:00 a.m.

**Voting Members Present:** Melvin Davis, Oconee County Chairman  
Bob Sanders, Oconee County Citizen Representative  
Lucy Rowland, Athens-Clarke County Citizen Rep.  
Radney Simpson, GDOT Planning  
Nancy Denson, Athens-Clarke County Mayor  
Brad Griffin, Madison County (Alternate)

**Others Present:** Sherry McDuffie, ACC Planning  
Wayne Provost, Oconee LR & Strategic Planning  
Butch McDuffie, Athens Transit  
David Ballard, Athens Transit  
Kim Coley, GDOT – District  
Tom Caiafa, GDOT Planning

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Davis called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.

**II. APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 8, 2014 MEETING MINUTES**

Ms. McDuffie explained that there a 2 typos in the minutes. She told the group that they would be fixed. Ms. Rowland made a motion to approve the September 8, 2014 minutes. Ms. Denson seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

**III. REVIEW OF PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED AT TCC MEETINGS / PLANNING COMMISSION MEETINGS**

There was none.

**IV. REVIEW AND DETERMINATION OF FINAL DRAFT 2040 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN**

Ms. McDuffie reviewed the changes made to the final draft 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan since the committee saw it last. She noted that the public comment period regarding the draft was held August 25 – September 23, 2014 and that comments received were distributed to the committee prior to the meeting. She directed the committee to the EJ / Title VI and Financial sections of the document where most changes were made. Some minor verbiage on p. 3 and some clarification of the project description of project R-7 (SR 10 Loop at Lexington Road project) were requested by Ms. Rowland prior to the meeting. Those changes were noted to the committee. No further public involvement

would be required for the document. Ms. McDuffie confirmed that this would be the final approval of the 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan.

Ms. Rowland pointed out that on p. 40 – 41, the county designation was omitted from 3 projects in the lists. Ms. McDuffie stated that she would make the corrections. Mr. Simpson commended MACORTS staff on a good job getting the LRTP completed. Ms. McDuffie expressed her gratitude for GDOT staff's support.

Ms. Denson made a motion to approve the Final 2040 LRTP. Mr. Simpson seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

**V. REVIEW AND DETERMINATION OF DRAFT FY 2016 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM**

Ms. McDuffie stated that the FY 2016 UPWP only the preliminary award of \$216,243.20. She stated that all line items were updated. She specifically discussed the update to element 1.4 Equipment / Supplies including 2 traffic counters and accessories to be purchased for each of the MACORTS counties. Element 4.11 Long Range Transportation Plan included conditional statements about the Plan's approval.

Ms. Rowland made a motion to approve the Draft FY 2016 UPWP. Mr. Griffin seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

**VI. OLD BUSINESS**

There was none.

**VII. NEW BUSINESS**

There was none.

**VIII. ADJOURN**

The next scheduled meeting is November 12. Ms. McDuffie told the group that several members had expressed some difficulty with that meeting date. She anticipates being able to cancel that meeting. If that were to happen, she would notify the group officially. The first meeting of 2015 is scheduled for Wed, February 11. Meetings in 2015 will take place in Athens. Ms. McDuffie thanked the Oconee County staff for hosting the PC meetings. Ms. Rowland thanked Oconee County for hosting. Mr. Davis thanked staff and Policy Committee members for their work and dedication. Mr. Davis adjourned the meeting at 10:11 am.