



Permian Basin MPO

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Policy Board Meeting

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9601 Wright Dr., Suite 1, Midland, TX, 79706

August 19, 2019 4:00 p.m.

Minutes

Policy Board Members Present

Robin Donnelly	Chair, County Commissioner, Midland County
John B. Love III	Vice-Chair, Councilman, City of Midland
John Speed, P.E.	District Engineer, TxDOT Odessa District
Bryan Cox	Martin County Judge
Debi Hays	County Judge, Ector County
Tom Sprawls	Councilman, City of Odessa

Policy Board Members Absent:

Vacant General Manager, MOUTD (EZ-Rider)

Others in Attendance:

Cameron Walker, AICP	Executive Director, Permian Basin MPO
Lorraine Quimiro	Senior Transportation Planner, Permian Basin MPO
Kallie Hallmark	GIS Analyst, Permian Basin MPO
Alyssa Chavez	Office Manager, Permian Basin MPO
Jessica Schuttler, P.E.	Dunaway Associates, Midland County
Matt Carr, P.E.	City Engineer, City of Midland
Taha Sakrami	Traffic Engineer, City of Midland
Elizabeth Shaughnessy	Senior Planner, City of Midland
David Peck	Project Manager, Ector County Public Works
Evans Kessey	Director of Highways & Streets, Ector County
Roy Allen	Transportation Committee Chairman, Odessa Chamber
Chad Windham, P.E.	Director of Operations, TxDOT Odessa District
Gene Powell	Public Information Officer, TxDOT Odessa District
Gabriel Ramirez, P.E.	Advanced Planning Engineer, TxDOT Odessa District
Saul Romero, P.E.	Area Engineer, TxDOT Odessa District
Gary Law, P.E.	Director of Project Development, MDC
Phillip Tindall, AICP	Planner, Texas Department of Transportation
Bill Frawley, AICP	Research Scientist, TTI
Brittney Gick	Associate Transportation Researcher, TTI

AGENDA ITEM

1. Call Meeting to Order

The meeting of the Permian Basin MPO Policy Board was called to order at 4:08 p.m. by Policy Board Chair, Robin Donnelly. A quorum was present.

2. Introductions and Announcements

Every attendee introduced themselves.

3. Public Comment Period

There were no public comments.

4. Approve the Policy Board Minutes from July 15, 2019

A motion was made by Bryan Cox and seconded by John Love to approve the Policy Board Minutes from July 15, 2019. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Approve the June 2019 Billing Statements

June is the ninth billing period for fiscal year 2019 and reflects the expenditures from Tasks and Subtasks as approved in the FY 2019 UPWP. During the month of June, Permian Basin MPO expended \$21,812.38, which brings the percentage of expenditures to 57.13%% of the FY 2019 programmed funds. The balance of funds is \$192,929.98.

A motion was made by John Love and seconded by Bryan Cox to approve the June 2019 Billing Statements. The motion passed unanimously.

6. MPO Staff Reports

a. 90-Day Calendar

Staff included a 90-day event calendar to inform the Policy Board of upcoming events.

b. Update on development of the Regional Freight Plan

The Permian Road Safety Coalition is holding a quarterly meeting in Monahans at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday August 21st. One of the topics on the agenda is an update on the 24-county Permian Basin regional freight study. The next full committee meeting is scheduled for September 19th.

c. Update on 2045 MTP

Staff has been preparing draft versions of the chapters to be included in the 2045 MTP. Assistance with this effort has come from the Odessa and Midland Chambers, the Economic Development Corporations, TxDOT, MOTRAN, Ector and Midland County emergency management staff, who have provided key information for inclusion in the plan. Staff will have a copy of one chapter at the Board meeting to show the intended direction during the plan preparation. It is anticipated that the full draft document will be presented to the Board at the September meeting.

d. 30-Day Activity and Social Media Update

- Staff attended the EZ Rider Board meeting on July 31st
- Staff attended the TEMPO meeting in Lubbock on July 29-30

- Staff attended a Travel Demand Model Training in Austin on July 29-30
- Staff met with the consultants who are retooling the MPO's public participation effort

The Permian Basin MPO has 142 Facebook Likes and 133 Followers on Twitter.

7. Agency Project Reports:

- a. **TxDOT Odessa District: John Speed:** TxDOT provided an updated project list and suggested that any questions or concerns be given if need be.
Saul Romero: Currently working on phase one for the 52nd/56th street project.
- b. **City of Midland: Matt Carr:** A lot of the bind projects are moving forward, even though there is a limitation in contractors in the area. Midland city council recently approved for impact fees to be implemented if projects are not completed within a timely manner of the proposed timeline.
John Love: The project on 191 and Loop 250 has finished and has greatly improved the flow of traffic.
- c. **Midland County: Robin Donnelly:** The County passed a resolution to propose projects through the fourth quarter of next year. They also have geotechs looking at south county residential roads and on the south loop of Midland County. Once they are done, they will be ready to go to RFP for phase two. The Cotton Flat road and Midkiff project will start once there is a working crew available. The CR 127 project is currently being worked on. They are having to address drainage and redesign issues.
- d. **City of Odessa: Tom Sprawls:** No updates.
- e. **Ector County: David Peck:** Ector County is currently seal coating all of their roads. Evans is currently working on plans for a few bigger projects so he can go out for bid on them soon.
Debi Hays: Ector County Utility District was granted \$47.5 million for water in West Odessa. The President of the ECUD board is projecting that within 5 to 6 years all of the residents in West Odessa will have water, along with an R.O. plant.
- f. **Martin County: Bryan Cox:** Martin County is in the process of purchasing 77 acre of land located behind the hospital.
- g. **MOUTD: Absent.**

8. Future Meetings

Policy Board Meeting – Monday, September 16, 2019 at 4:00 pm

Technical Advisory Committee Meeting – Tuesday, September 5, 2019 at 8:00 am

Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee – October 10, 2019 at 8:00 am

9. Conduct Executive Session concerning any and all subjects and for any and all purposes permitted by Chapter 551 of the Texas Government code, including, but not limited to:

Texas Government Code Section 551.071 for the purpose of consulting with the Board's attorney; Texas Government Code Section 551.072 to deliberate the purchase, lease, or value of real property; Texas Government Code Section 551.074 to discuss personnel matters.

10. Take Action Concerning Executive Session Matters

None.

11. Adjourn

A motion was made by to adjourn by John Love and seconded by Bryan Cox. The motion passed unanimously with adjournment at 4:36 pm.