



MEETING MINUTES

Executive Board
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, September 20, 2017
4:00 PM

Yavapai County Administration Building
Board of Supervisors Chambers
1015 Fair Street
Prescott, Arizona

CYMPO Executive Board

Chair	Craig L. Brown, Yavapai County Supervisor
Vice-Chair	Mary Mallory, Councilwoman, Town of Prescott Valley
Secretary/Treasurer	Billie Orr, City of Prescott
Member	Mike Best, Town of Chino Valley
Member	Terry Nolan, Town of Dewey-Humboldt
Member	Alvin Stump, ADOT Representative

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chairman Brown called the meeting to order at 4PM. Deb Hernandez performed roll call.

Absent: Member Terry Nolan

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Alvin Stump, ADOT Representative led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

This item is to provide an opportunity for presentation of comments by the public on subjects *not on the agenda*. Individuals wishing to address the Board need not request permission in advance and are limited to three (3) minutes.

Carole Benedict, Executive Director of US Vets, presented the board a letter expressing the need for expanded transportation services within Central Yavapai Metropolitan Planning Organizations boundary.

4. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE JUNE 21, 2017 EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

*Chris Bridges, CYMPO Administrator
(Task #102)*

MOTION

Member Best presented a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes of June 21, 2017. The motion was seconded by Secretary/Treasurer Orr.

VOTE ON THE MOTION

The vote on the motion was unanimous.

5. AGENCY ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPDATES

CYMPO UPDATE REGARDING JOINT CYMPO, NACOG, AND FLAGSTAFF MPO TRANSPORTATION FUNDING DISCUSSION.

Mr. Bridges provided an update on the funding discussions CYMPO has been having with NACOG and Flagstaff MPO. Minutes from the last meeting were distributed. Mr. Bridges informed on Wednesday, October 18th (as part of the Rural Transportation Summit) a Rural Legislator Caucus Meeting with Local Officials is planned to discuss this situation and potentially move forward towards a resolution.

Vice-chair Mallory said discussions have been good and there is a strong effort moving forward to make impact.

Chairman Brown added he has made concerted efforts to contact state elected officials to discuss the importance of this topic. He has also had conversations with Senator Fann who indicated this is not a priority of the governor so she is doubtful that this will go anywhere.

Member Best asked about Senate Bill 1146. Mr. Bridges stated this bill did not make it through the Senate because other items were attached to it but this might be a basis to go from in the future.

Mr. Bridges introduced Allison McCarthy as Deb Hernandez' replacement and announced Vincent Gallegos had accepted a position with the Lake Havasu MPO and would be resigning October 5th.

Chairman Brown presented Vinny with a Certificate of Appreciation.

6. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO MAKE AMENDMENT TO METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION IMPROVE PLAN (MTIP) AND THE FY 18 WORK PROGRAM REGARDING APPLICATION FOR ADDITIONAL 5305 GRANT FUNDS TO BE USED FOR YARNELL HILL RECOVERY GROUP TRANSIT PLAN

*Chris Bridges, CYMPO Administrator
(Task #200)*

Mr. Bridges related, initially the project cost of the transit implementation plan for Yarnell Hill would be \$15,000 however, after working with ADOT and the consultant, indications are the plan would cost closer to \$50,000. This item was discussed with the TAC and their recommendation was possibly NACOG or Yavapai County might consider taking the lead on the 5311 Grant for the Yarnell Hill Recovery Group.

CYMPO Transportation Planner, Vincent Gallegos, reminded the Executive Board the Yarnell Hill Recovery Group was recognized and received a certificate of appreciation for their efforts by this Board a couple of months ago. We all know of the potential challenges surrounding the access to the Hot Shot Memorial Trail. Currently the trail averages 90 persons per day and the parking lot only accommodates 10 spaces at a time. When the movie is released about the Hot Shot, more visitors are expected. He informed the Board there have been conversations with Yavapai Regional Transit to see what they could provide. Steve Silvernale of Prescott Transit Authority has been very open and helpful but is not able to run a shuttle service at this time. Yuma Transit has donated 5 buses/trolleys to the community but they are tied up in government red tape. He then presented proposals from Dunn Transportation to provide a Turn-Key Shuttle Service.

Chairman Brown asked if there was any consternation for CYMPO giving financial assistance to an organization outside the CYMPO Boundary. Mr. Gallegos responded that the TAC has had conversation about this. Yes, Yarnell is outside the CYMPO boundary. The Yarnell Hill Recovery Group reached out to us at the year asking for technical assistance even though they are in the NACOG Region. Chairman Brown's concern was using CYMPO dollars for a project outside the CYMPO boundary there-by depleting funds that could be used for transit related projects within our boundary.

Mr. Gallegos clarified, this would be CYMPO applying for additional funds we currently do not have with the match being provided by the Yarnell Hill Recovery Group's in-kind time. He would be very surprised if any hard cash came from CYMPO. ADOT has been very supportive.

Mr. Bridges added time and resources are a burden. Yavapai Regional Transit is currently going through the same process for their upcoming grant, there are other options to consider. Chairman Brown's concern was that both transit groups would be applying for the same dollar.

Sandy Stutey, Yavapai Regional Transit, expressed concerns with the grant cycle deadline.

Vice-chair Mallory stated that if CYMPO were to look at this, in her opinion, Option 3 from Dunn Transportation would be the best option to consider. Secretary/Treasurer Orr agreed but also stated the State Parks should step up and help pay, they created this issue.

Member Stump said it was a challenge when the parking lot is full; agrees that it is a State Park issue and would prefer to see monies stay within the CYMPO boundary.

Vice-chair Mallory asked if writing a letter to Sue Black, State Parks, encouraging a solution would help.

Chairman Brown suggested time be given to explore this situation deeper.

Mr. Bridges clarified that CYMPO would not do the planning study for Yarnell but continue to give technical support, as needed.

7. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING I-17 INFRA SUPPORT

Chris Bridges, CYMPO Administrator

(Task #102)

Chairman Brown stated the CYMPO region has always been supportive of finding solutions to help with I-17.

Mr. Bridges explained INFRA, Infrastructure for Rebuilding America, Grant is a new program which provides dedicated, discretionary funding for projects that address critical issues facing our nation's highways and bridges. Presently ADOT has committed \$120M to this project and Maricopa County has committed \$50M. The estimated cost of the project from Anthem to Sunset Point is approximated \$400M and all the way to Cordes is \$600M. ADOT's intent would be to make the improvements all the way through Black Canyon up to Cordes Junction.

Vice-chair Mallory said CYMPO needs to show support in any way to help resolve the I-17 issues.

Member Best stated I-17 is Arizona's only north – south connector; we need to support efforts for improvements.

MOTION

Member Best presented a motion to authorize the Chair, or in his absence the Vice-Chair, to sign Resolution 2017-03 in favor of ADOT applying for an Infrastructure for Rebuilding American (INFRA) Grant to be used for I-17 Anthem to Cordes Junction Improvements. The motion was seconded by Vice-Chair Mallory.

VOTE ON THE MOTION

The vote on the motion was unanimous.

8. ADJOURNMENT INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 5:10PM

The Executive Board may vote to hold an **EXECUTIVE SESSION**, which will not be open to the public, pursuant to A.R.S. 38-481.03(A) (1) for discussion and/or consideration of performance evaluation of the CYMPO Administrator, Christopher Bridges

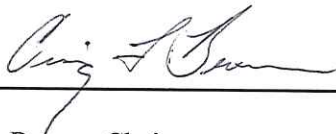
*Craig L. Brown, CYMPO Chairman
(Task #102)*

9. RECONVENE FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION 5:16PM

Discussion and possible action regarding performance evaluation of the CYMPO Administrator, Christopher Bridges

10. ADJOURNMENT 5:20PM

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Craig L. Brown, Chairman
CYMPO Executive Board
Dated: November 15, 2017



Deborah Hernandez,
CYMPO Account Specialists
Dated: November 15, 2017