

GRAND VALLEY METRO COUNCIL

Board Meeting

September 3, 2009

8:30 a.m.

Kent County Commission Chambers

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:35 a.m. by Chairman Jim Buck.

Members Present:

Alex Arends	Alpine Township
Dale Bergman	Sparta Township
Jim Buck	City of Grandville
Dick Bulkowski	Kent County
Chris Burns	City of Cedar Springs
Dan Carlton	Georgetown Township
Randy DeBruine	City of Belding
Daryl Delabbio	Kent County
Sharon DeLange	Village of Sparta
Tom Fehsenfeld	At-Large Member
Cindy Fox	Cascade Township
Doyle Hayes	At-Large Member
George Heartwell	City of Grand Rapids
Don Hilton, Sr.	Gaines Township
Denny Hoemke	Algoma Township
Jim Holtrop	Ottawa County
Jim LaPeer	Cannon Township
Elias Lumpkins, Jr.	City of Grand Rapids
Robert May	City of Hastings
Mick McGraw	At-large Member
Jim Miedema	Jamestown Township
Lon Myers	Village of Middleville
David Pasquale	City of Lowell
Chuck Porter	Courtland Township
Milt Rohwer	City of Grand Rapids
Rick Root	City of Kentwood
Carol Sheets	City of Wyoming
Al Vanderberg	Ottawa County
Bill VerHulst	City of Wyoming
Chris Yonker	City of Wayland

Members Absent:

Jerry Alkema	Allendale Township
Mike DeVries	Grand Rapids Township

Jason Eppler	City of Ionia
Brian Donovan	City of East Grand Rapids
Brian Harrison	Caledonia Township
John Helmholdt	City of Grand Rapids
Pauline Luben	City of Hudsonville
George Meek	Plainfield Township
Roger Morgan	Kent County
Cy Moore	Treasurer
Audrey Nevins	Byron Township
Steven Patrick	City of Coopersville
Ken Snow	City of Greenville
Rob VerHeulen	City of Walker
Michael Young	City of Rockford

Others Present:

Andy Bowman	Grand Valley Metro Council
Abed Itani	Grand Valley Metro Council
Gayle McCrath	Grand Valley Metro Council
Don Stypula	Grand Valley Metro Council

2. Oath of Office

Mary Hollinrake administered the Oath of Office to George Heartwell of the City of Grand Rapids.

3. Approval of Minutes

MOTION – To Approve the Minutes of the August, 2009, GVMC Board Meeting. MOVE – Fox. SUPPORT – Holtrop. MOTION CARRIED.

4. Public Comment

None

5. GVMC FY 2009-2010 Budget

Don Stypula reported there have been no changes to the proposed FY 2009-2010 budget reviewed at the August GVMC Board meeting, and there were no additional questions forwarded to him.

MOTION – To Approve the GVMC FY 2009-2010 Budget. MOTION – Sheets. SUPPORT – Holtrop. MOTION CARRIED.

6. Transportation

Abed Itani explained the requested TIP modifications – see charts below.

MOTION – To Approve the Requested MDOT FY 09 and 09/10 Projects. MOVE – Root. SUPPORT – Lumpkins. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION – To Approve the Move of the Requested Projects from the FY2010-2011 TIP to the FY2009 TIP. MOTION – Hoemke. SUPPORT – Arends. MOTION CARRIED.

The following FY 2010 projects should be moved to FY 2009 as a TIP modification:

FY	JN	Route	Location	Work Description	Cost Est.
09	90165	US-131	@ W. River Dr.	Resurf. Carpool Lot	\$20,000
09	90169	US-131	@ 10 Mile Rd.	Crack Seal Carpool Lot	\$10,000
09	90167	M-44	@ 7 Mile Rd.	Resurf. Carpool Lot	\$20,000
09	75540	M-121	40 th Avenue, east to Rush Creek (Hudsonville)	Joint Repairs, Mill and HMA Resurface	\$2,948,000
09	78623	M-21	Over the Flat River (Lowell)	Superstructure Replacement	\$2,962,000

The following General Program Accounts (GPA) should be amended into the FY 2010 TIP list:

FY	Location	Work Description	Cost Est.
010	Regionwide	GPA CPM & CSM - Bridge Trunkline	\$2,661,000
010	Regionwide	GPA CPM - Road Trunkline	\$4,084,000
010	Regionwide	GPA EPE/PE/ROW - Trunkline	\$128,000
010	Regionwide	GPA Highway Safety - Trunkline	\$3,777,000
010	Regionwide	GPA Enhancements - Local	\$3,822,000

The following project phases should be amended into the FY 2008-011 MPO TIP, as indicated:

FY	JN	Route	Location	Work Description	Phase	Cost Est.
09	105714	M-11	M-37 E. to I-96 (Gap Patterson Ave. intersection)	Mill, Resurf., Joint Repairs, and Reconstruct.	PE	\$700,000
09	105712	M-44 Con.	I-96 to Airway St.	Resurface	PE	\$397,000
010	105712	M-44 Con.	I-96 to Airway St.	Resurface	ROW	\$45,000
010	102897	I-96	@ M-44 (East Beltline)	Crack Sealing - Carpool Lot	Const.	\$9,000

The following ITS projects should be amended into the FY2008-2011 MPO TIP. These projects will cover ITS operating costs in 2010, 2011, and 2012, as indicated.

FY	JN	Route	Location	Work Description	Cost Est.
09	107924	Various	Areawide MDOT ITS	Maintenance (for 2010)	\$520,000
09	107932	Various	Areawide MDOT ITS	Operations (for 2010)	\$400,000
09	107925	Various	Areawide MDOT ITS	Maintenance (for 2011)	\$587,500
09	107933	Various	Areawide MDOT ITS	Operations (for 2011)	\$450,000
09/010	N/A	Various	Areawide City of Grand Rapids TMS	Regional Traffic Signal Operations (for 2010)	\$385,000
09/010	N/A	Various	Areawide City of Grand Rapids TMS	Regional Traffic Signal Operations (for 2011)	\$405,000

7. Legislative

Don Stypula reported legislative leaders were meeting today on the 2010 budget. They will meet all day to resolve various issues. There currently is a \$2.7 billion gap between revenues and expenditures. Cuts across the board have been suggested by republicans.

Dillon's healthcare proposal briefing occurs at the same time today. The bill is not perfect. Our side of the state has done a remarkable job controlling costs. The message to the Speaker is don't mess with what we have done.

County revenue sharing is slated to start coming back on line, however it is doubtful the full amount will be received. There is a proposal to restore it to the 2004 level when the advanced funds run out.

Daryl Delabbio reported two bills were introduced requiring counties to reimburse revenue sharing reserve funds, which would delay the state's restoration of revenue sharing. Statutory revenue sharing has always been susceptible. Engler wanted to eliminate it. We successfully fought off that in the past. However, counties were cut out and if we don't stick together, there will be serious repercussions to services.

Al Vanderberg stated we can't give up the high ground and agree to give up the funds. This money was agreed by the state to be reimbursed to local government. We are not just another interest group.

8. Other

The next meeting will be October 1. The Quarterly Luncheon will be October 12 with Bob Isreals speaking.

9. Adjourn – 9:30 a.m.

MOTION – To Adjourn. MOVE – Delabbio. SUPPORT – Root. MOTION CARRIED.