

MEETING MINUTES

Executive Board Regular Meeting Wednesday, July 29, 2015 4:00 PM Yavapai County Administrative Building 1015 Fair Street Prescott, Arizona

CYMPO Executive Board

Chair

Mary Mallory, Councilwoman, Town of Prescott Valley

Vice-Chair

Craig Brown, Yavapai County Supervisor

Secretary/Treasurer

Terry Nolan, Mayor, Town of Dewey-Humboldt

Member

Darryl Croft, Town of Chino Valley

Member

Chris Kuknyo, Councilman, City of Prescott

Member

Alvin Stump, ADOT Representative

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chairwoman Mallory called the meeting to order at 4PM. Deb Hernandez performed roll call. **Absent:** Secretary/Treasurer Nolan with Arlene Alan in as his proxy.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice-Chair Brown 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.

Public Comment was made by:

Kevin Adam, RTAC

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPDATES:

Announcements and/or updates may be provided by Board Members, CYMPO Administrator or other invitees.

Chris Kuknyo asked for information regarding the bridge on I-10 that washed out near Blythe, California. Dallas Hammit, ADOT Deputy Director, gave information regarding how the bridge was damaged, current traffic conditions and when repairs are anticipated to be complete.

Chris Bridges gave brief updates on the following:

- Contracts for Regional Mobility Management Implementation Plan and the Prescott Valley Transit District
- Dedication and/or Ribbon Cutting in August for the completion of the new section of Highway 89
- Jason Kelly, NACOG, provided information on a "Regional" Transportation Safety Study

5. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE June 17, 2015 EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Chris Bridges, CYMPO Administrator (Task #102)

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MOTION

Vice-Chair Brown presented a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of June 17, 2015. The motion was seconded by Member Croft.

VOTE ON THE MOTION

The vote on the motion was unanimous.

6. ACCELERATE ARIZONA

Brittney Kaufmann, AZ Chamber of Commerce (Task #102)

Brittney Kaufmann from the Arizona Chamber of Commerce presented a PowerPoint providing a brief overview of the effort the Arizona Chamber of Commerce is making to demonstrate how investment in transportation and infrastructure directly relates to the economy. The Arizona Chamber of Commerce has launched a transportation roadshow to increase the awareness and prioritization with business leaders, State and Federal elected officials, residents and other stakeholders around the state to learn first-hand about the surface transportation challenges in Arizona.

Vice-chairman Brown informed CYMPO was in total agreement with involving the private sector to help fund building and improvements needed to our existing infrastructure. He shared CYMPO's Resolution sent to ADOT requesting improvements be made on I-17 and funding from Private-Public Partnerships should be considered.

Member Kuknyo asked if Georgia was the only state to tackle the electric vehicle. Ms. Kaufmann did not think they were but would have to research to see who else has.

7. PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS

Gail Lewis ADOT (Task #102)

Gail Lewis from the ADOT Office of P3 Initiatives gave a PowerPoint presentation to explain "What is a Public Private Partnership" and how ADOT has been utilizing this mechanism. Arizona has many needs but limited funding options. P3 funding is not free money but it is a tool to help finance and deliver projects. Specific project must be identified and analyzed before it is presented to decision-makers to determine viability and procurement approach. Fundamental traffic and revenue studies are made to determine overall traffic demand, future growth as well as how much will users be willing to pay for the improvement. Once all this data is compiled ADOT will assign traffic and revenue components to T&R consultants, complete the DCR and prepared for a decision on environmental work.

Ms. Lewis then shared various options being considered to improve I-17 between Black Canyon City and Sunset Point.

Member Kuknyo asked questions regarding Federal Funding and wanted to know how we can better focus our highway dollars on Key Commerce Corridors.

Vice-Chair Brown asked if in the construction if I-11 if P3's were considered in any of the funding for this project.

8. SR189 RESOLUTION

Randy Heiss, Executive Director SEAGO (Task #102)

Randy Heiss, Executive Director of Southeastern Arizona Governments Organization presented a "Resolution of Support for Acceleration of the SR 189 Project" requesting endorsement from the CYMPO Executive Board. He explained why this project is so important to Arizona. This portion of State Route 189 serves as a bypass route for commercial truck traffic to and from Mexico and provides a critical international commerce connection from the Mariposa Land Port of Entry to Interstate 19. With the completion of the \$225 million reconstruction and modernization of the Mariposa LPOE, commercial traffic volumes are expected to climb significantly. SEAGO is asking ADOT to find above the line revenues to fund this project while holding harmless projects currently programmed in ADOT's five-Year construction plan.

Chris Bridges emphasized that gaining support for the SR189 Project Resolution is very similar to what CYMPO is doing with the I-17 Resolution. All COG and MPO members support SEAGO and understand the importance of the international freight that passes through this port of entry. We like to support and backup each other on important projects statewide.

Vice-chair Brown stated he did not see anything that guarantees this project would not knock one of our projects out the five-year plan. Mr. Heiss replied that the hold harmless agreement was made a part to ensure no projects in ADOT's current 5-year plan would be affected. Vice-chair Brown further stated the SR189 project is a good project but, we are all fighting for the same dollars and does not want to put one of CYMPO's projects in danger by showing support to the SR189 Resolution.

Chair-woman Mallory asked for information regarding TIGER Grants. Chris Bridges advised the CYMPO region has been unsuccessful with TIGER Grants in the past but we do not have the same freight issues as SEAGO does. Furthermore, the issues of SR189 and this port of entry are specifically dealt with in TIGER Grants and that is where the show of support would be most helpful.

Vice-chair Brown asked Kevin Adam and Dallas Hammitt their opinion about TIGER grants and the SR189 project. Both indicated they felt this project would score well, however it is very competitive.

Member Stump stated the SR189 Project is good for the State and CYMPO needs to support it like we need them to support our I-17 Resolution; we need to support each other. If we do not support each other out of fear of losing one of our projects, it makes us weaker statewide.

Public comment was made by Steve Silvernale.

Vice-chairman Brown requested this item be tabled in order to give the Board additional time to research this project. Member Croft agreed. Member Kuknyo also concurred.

9. DISCUSSION OF PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS (P3's) FOR TRANSIT AND POSSIBLE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)

Chris Bridges, CYMPO Administrator (Task #800)

Mr. Bridges, CYMPO Administrator, began by showing the CYMPO "Urbanized Boundary" and explaining what Federal Transit funds could be used within our Urbanized Boundary. Furthermore, the match for these funds has historically come from local government funds. Mr. Bridges introduced a concept to utilize the Public-Private Partnership approach to provide transit service.

Mike Normand, ADOT Director of Community and Grant Services, along with Jaclyn Meli, ADOT Transit Grants Manager provided additional information to support this Public-Private Partnership concept.

Public comments were made by:

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- Steve Silvernale, Prescott Transit Authority
- Ron Romley, Yavapai Regional Transit
- Norm Davis, Town of Prescott Valley, regarding the Prescott Valley Transit District proposal
- Lindsey Bell, Territorial Transit
- Yvonne Bartlett, United Way
- Dee Skipton, Prescott Goodwill Career Services
- Cheri Romley from Yavapai Regional Transit

Vice-chair Brown echoed Ms. Bartlett's and Ms. Skipton's comments that the community needs a way to get people to and from jobs and make them productive members of society.

MOTION

Vice-Chair Brown presented a motion to approve the CYMPO Staff to move forward with the 5304 funding and to update current Transit Implementation Plan and financial model to potentially pursue an RFP following update. The motion was seconded by Member Stump.

VOTE ON THE MOTION

The vote on the motion was unanimous.

10. ANTICIPATED FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Chris Bridges, CYMPO Administrator (Task #102)

- LTAP Training Funds
- Prescott Valley Transit District Property Tax Evaluation
- CYMPO Regional Mobility Management Implementation Plan
- Annual Evaluation of CYMPO Administrator, Chris Bridges EXECUTIVE SESSION

11. UPCOMING SCHEDULED MEETINGS

- Local Coordinating Council Meeting: Monday, August 3, 2015, at 3:00 PM, ADOT Administration Building, 1109 East Commerce Drive, Prescott, AZ
- CYMPO TAC Meeting: (CYMPO Technical Advisory Committee monthly meeting) Thursday, August 5, 2015 at 8:00 AM, Prescott Valley Library Auditorium, 1st Floor, 7401 E. Civic Circle, Prescott Valley, AZ 86314
- > HWY 89 Widening Dedication: Friday, August 7, 2015 at 9:30 AM
- CYMPO Executive Board Meeting: Wednesday, August 19, 2015, at 4:00 PM, County Board of Supervisors Room, 1015 Fair Street, Prescott, AZ

13. ADJOURNMENT at 7:36 PM

ATTEST:

Mary Mallory, Chair Executive Board

Deborah Hernandez, Program Secretary