Warren County Transportation Improvement District Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

Regular Board Meeting Friday, May 22, 2011

A. Call to Order

A Regular Board Meeting of the Warren County Transportation Improvement District (WCTID) Board of Trustees was called to order by the Chair at 9:15 a.m., Friday, May 22, 2011 at the Warren County Administration Building, 406 Justice Drive, Room, and 128B, Lebanon, Ohio 45036.

Attendees:

Board Members: David D. Duckworth

David R. Gully Neil F. Tunison

Other Guests:

Dan Corey, Warren County Engineer's Office

Joe Vogel, ODOT District 8

Andy Fluegemann, ODOT District 8

Steve Bergman, HDR Ed Williams, TEC

Steven Shadix, ENTRAN Mark Policinski, OKI Deb Osborne, ENTRAN

Mark Hurst, Hurst, Kelly & Company, LLC Heather Arling, Fifth Third Securities Inc. Andy Brossart, Fifth Third Securities Inc.

Rusty Schuermann, Kegler, Brown, Hill & Ritter Co., L.P.A

B. Approval of Minutes: April 29, 2011 Board Meeting

Motion made by Mr. Gully, seconded by Mr. Tunison, to approve the minutes of the April 29, 2011 Regular Meeting of the Warren County Transportation Improvement District as submitted, upon roll call vote, carried with each members present each separately voting "Yes" thereon.

C. WCTID Program of Projects

- 1. I-71 / Fields-Ertel Mason-Montgomery Road Interchange Project Neil Tunison handed the floor over to Dan Corey. Mr. Corey gave an update on the Mason-Montgomery Road Northbound Add Lane project, which has a sale date of June 7. Also, the Traffic Signal Upgrade (ODOT PID 86801) is scheduled for a sale date of June 16, 2011. He stated there should be an update on the Study which includes the Split Diamond alternative by next meeting. Mr. Tunison thanked ODOT District 8 for their assistance and cooperation with the Mason-Montgomery Road Northbound Add Lane project, thus allowing it to be bid this summer. Mr. Tunison stated that the project would not be as far as it is without their assistance. He went further to state that what may have taken months has only taken a few days. Mr. Tunison stated he talked to Cindy Juliano at CMH2 Hill to scope NB and SB Exit - Extension of Ramp Gores (ODOT PID 87399) in July. Mr. Duckworth asked how many signals are going to be involved in the Traffic Signal Upgrade (ODOT PID 86801) project. Mr. Tunison stated that there are going to be 21 signals. Mr. Duckworth asked if this was going to be handled by the Engineer's office. Mr. Tunison stated that it was being handled by ODOT.
- 2. I-71 / Western Row Road Interchange Project There was discussion relative to the aerial photographs. Mr. Tunison stated that in the next couple weeks they would be doing traffic counts with Kings Island in full operation.
- 3. I-75 / at SR73 Interchange Project Mr. Tunison stated that he had nothing further to report on this project.

D. Committee Reports

No reports.

E. Financial Report - Secretary - Treasurer

Mr. Tunison stated they have been working with the County Finance Committee, regarding funding contribution from the County to the TID to advance projects and involving P&G TIF funds. He stated that there is approximately \$30M in borrowing capacity that would result in \$22M of improvements.

Mr. Tunison stated he will be meeting with Wells Fargo to set up an insurance account.

F. New Business

Rusty Schuermann stated that the Board has been kept advised of the proposed Widener amendment in the State's Budget Bill, HB153, which would be detrimental to TIDs eroding their authority and ability to utilize innovative project delivery

approaches, such as public private partnerships and design-build. These approaches are currently being used nationally, and ODOT has been statutorily authorized this year to do public private partnerships. Mr. Schuermann concluded by stating nothing has yet been introduced, which is good, and will continue to advise on efforts to oppose the proposed amendment.

Mr. Tunison gave an update on the TRAC applications. He stated that the policy and procedures would hopefully be in place in May. Andy Fluegemann stated that they are now oriented toward preservation of its existing infrastructure and the scoring system has been adjusted. TRAC will now require a \$12M project cost threshold to be eligible. Mr. Duckworth asked if there are talks about a 4-year application cycle. Mr. Fluegemann stated that there are not talks of that nature. ODOT will take applications similar to their present schedule; however, if it does not receive TRAC funds the applicant will have to find the funds on their own, but all projects over \$12M need to apply. He stated they are trying to get a better balance of types of projects, and multimodal is still in there. Mr. Duckworth stated that 2013 is pretty close and asked when Columbus was going to start funding TRAC again. Andy stated the Administration is still looking at ways for funding without cost cutting. Right now they are doing ok. He reiterated that TRAC would only fund new capital improvements after system preservation projects have been adequately funded.

Mark Hurst gave an update on funding issues.

G. Upcoming meeting schedule

The Chairman determined that the next Regular Board Meeting would be held on June 24, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. at the Warren County Administration Building, 406 Justice Drive, Room 128B, Lebanon, Ohio 45036.

H. Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Tunison, seconded by Mr. Gully, to adjourn the meeting of the Warren County TID, upon the call of the vote, carried with all members present voting "Yes" thereon.

Approved at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Warren County Transportation Improvement District, Warren County, Ohio, this 24th day of June 2011.

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Attest:

Warren County Transportation Improvement District Secretary-Treasurer

Motion to approve: DAVIO GULLY

Seconded by: DAJIO DUCKWORTH