

**SAINT CLOUD AREA PLANNING ORGANIZATION POLICY BOARD**  
**Thursday, January 12, 2023 – 4:30 p.m.**

A regular meeting of the Saint Cloud Area Planning Organization Policy Board was held on Thursday, January 12 at 4:30 p.m. APO Chair Joe Perske presided with the following members:

Raeanne Danielowski	Sherburne County
Michael Kedrowski	Metro Bus
Jared Gapinski	Benton County
Frank Theisen	City of Waite Park
Jeff Westerlund	LeSauk Township
Tim Elness	City of Sartell
Dottie Seamans	City of Sauk Rapids

Also in attendance were:

Brian Gibson	Saint Cloud APO
Vicki Johnson	Saint Cloud APO
Alex McKenzie	Saint Cloud APO
Amber Blattner	Saint Cloud APO

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

***Ms. Seamans motioned to approve the agenda, and Mr. Gapinski seconded the motion. Motion carried.***

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** No members of the public were in attendance.

**CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:**

- a. Approve Minutes of October 13, 2022 Policy Board Meeting
- b. Approve Bills Lists
- c. Approve Annual Resolution on Investment Procedures
- d. Approve Annual Resolution on Paying Certain Claims
- e. Approve Annual Resolution on Official Newspaper of Record
- f. Approve Amendment to Active Transportation Plan to Include Saint Joseph Profile
- g. Receive Staff Report on Area Transportation Partnership Meeting
- h. Receive Staff Report on November 2022 Meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee
  - i. Receive Report Technical Advisory Committee Meeting Attendance for 2022
  - j. Receive Report on Policy Board Meeting Attendance for 2022

***Mr. Gapinski motioned to approve the consent agenda items and Mr. Theisen seconded the motion. Motion carried.***

### **Elect Officers for 2023**

Chair Perske reviewed the current officers (Joe Perske – Chair; Raeanne Danielowski – 1st Vice Chair; Tim Elness – 2nd Vice Chair; Paul Brandmire – 3rd Vice Chair) and the bylaws for the officer terms. Mr. Perske noted he will be terming out this year and Mr. Brandmire is no longer a member. Mr. Gibson noted that typically everyone moves up one slot from where they are now.

***Mr. Elness motioned everyone still on the board move up one spot, leaving 2nd and 3rd Vice chair available (Raeanne Danielowski – Chair, Tim Elness – 1st Vice Chair). Ms. Seaman seconded the motion. Motion carried.***

***Ms. Seamans motioned Mr. Gapinski for 2nd vice chair. Mr. Theisen seconded the motion. Motion carried.***

***Ms. Seamans motioned Mr. Westerlund for 3<sup>rd</sup> vice chair. Ms. Danielowski seconded the motion. Motion carries.***

### **Appoint Representative to Area Transportation Partnership (ATP-3)**

Ms. Johnson summarized The Area Transportation Partnerships (ATPs). There are eight ATPs throughout Minnesota and their main focus is to assist in the development of the State Transportation Improvement Program. Responsibilities would include four meetings a year and voting on items that will assist in the development of the STIP. Mr. Perske and Ms. Danielowski are not eligible to represent the APO. Mr. Gapinski volunteered. Ms. Johnson noted meetings are in person or virtual.

***Mr. Perske motioned Mr. Gapinski of Benton County become the new representative. Mr. Theisen seconded the motion. Motion carried.***

### **Mayhew Lake Road Corridor Study**

Mr. Gibson summarized the study area running from Mayhew Lake Road from MN-23 to 35<sup>th</sup> Street NE (CSAH 29). Mr. Gibson summarized the crash rates from 2017-2021. Ms. Seamans noted she anticipates growth to be around the high school. Mr. Gapinski noted Sauk Rapids can only grow to the East and development will be opened from Sauk Rapids to 23. The traffic model accounts for anticipated land use up to 2045. Mr. Gibson summarized the recommendations costing 14-16 million dollars with projects occurring incrementally over time. Mr. Gibson noted the school is doing an internal traffic circulation study. Mr. Westerlund asked where the regional park will be located. Mr. Gibson clarified that it will be north of the high school.

***Mr. Perske motioned to accept the Mayhew Lake Road Corridor Study. Mr. Theisen seconded the motion. Motion carries.***

**OTHER BUSINESS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Mr. Gibson noted the transportation appropriations law has provided \$800,000 for bridge environmental study. Mr. Gibson noted the APO is looking for another administrative assistant. Mr. Westerlund asked information on the administrative assistant position be sent to him. Ms. Johnson noted comments from young community members requesting making things safer for pedestrians.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 5:09 p.m.