RPC ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMITTEE

January 11, 2016

MEETING NOTES

Attendees: Ira Weiss (Chair); Kent Huston (Vice Chair); James Mako (RPC); Holly Mattei (RPC Executive Director); Bob Williams (FHPC); Jeff Vandervoort (FHTA); Peggy Portier (SRTS); Carrie Woody (LPTS); Rick Szabrak (Economic Development); Loudan Klein (RPC); Eric McCrady (FCEO); Ann Probasco (FACFC); Greg Bachman (Violet Twp Resident); Greg Eyerman (Fairfield County VCB); Scott Tourville (City of Pickerington); Greg Butcher (Violet Twp); Jeff Ritter (Buckeye Lake Resident)

1. Approval of November 16, 2015 meeting notes

Peggy Portier made a motion to approve the meeting notes. Greg Bachman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

2. Chairman’s Report

Ira Weiss announced several grant deadlines; the first is Safe Routes to School which is March 5th. ODOT small city municipal bridge funding is March 1st, and letters of interest for TAP funding are due February 1st.

3. Update on Amanda to Delmont Road MUP

Bob Williams presented to the committee the plans for the Amanda to Delmont Road MUP. He detailed specifics such as the length/dimensions, cost estimate, landowners, and location of the trail. The trail will run along both portions of US 22 and property owned by Midwest Manufacturing. The main funding source he added will hopefully come from ODOT Transportation Alternative Funds which is currently at a 5% local match. This is a rare opportunity as the normal match for these funds is 20 percent.

Mr. Williams also presented some economic impacts the trail could have in the long run to make a quick return on this investment.

Jeff Vandervoort also thanked the committee and promoted the opportunities for this trail, especially the attractive funding available.

Mr. Weiss asked Mr. Williams if there is anything he needs from the committee.
Mr. Williams replied that he would like to see the Delmont to Stoney Hill Road connection added to Rolling Forward as well as a letter of support.

Holly Mattei also suggested that Mr. Williams present the trail information to the Regional Planning Commission to reach a broader audience.

Mr. Vandervoort asked Ms. Mattei that since this was a linear trail and portions of the trail are in LMI concentrations of Amanda, would it qualify for CDBG funding.

Ms. Mattei replied that the updated data now uses the American Community Survey (ACS) data so those numbers have changed and Amanda does not automatically qualify with the ACS data. If an income survey were to be conducted, it would most likely have to include everyone that would benefit from the trail.

4. Update on Buckeye Lake State Capital Budget Request

Ms. Mattei presented to the committee the Buckeye Lake State Capital Budget request focusing on the bikeway portions. The Fairfield County phase from Millersport up to Hebron and on to Lakewood High School, Licking County portions along the north and east side of the lake, and Phase 3 in Perry County utilizing an old rail bed.

5. Other Business

Ms. Mattei reviewed with the committee Nick Gill’s MORPC presentation at the last RPC meeting regarding the Metropolitan Transportation Plan. It is currently in draft form and they are welcoming feedback; however they are not taking any more new project suggestions as of now.

Carrie Woody made a motion to adjourn. Kent Huston seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Weiss names next meeting, February 8, 2016.