



US Hwy 169 Corridor Coalition

Working together to enhance safety, reduce congestion and maximize economic development along the US Highway 169 inter-regional corridor.

Membership Board Meeting Minutes

January 14, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Vice Chair, Mr. John Ulrich, as Chair, Mr. Jim Hovland was unable to attend due to a scheduling conflict.

Members Present:

Name	Title	Agency
Warren Erickson	Councilman	City of Prior Lake
Brian Malm	Engineer	North Mankato
Lisa Freese	Transportation Program Manager	Scott County
Terry Genelin	Nicollet Cty Townships/R-9 ACT	Region Nine Dev Comm
Jim Gates	Deputy Director of Public Works	City of Bloomington
Ron Jobs	Board Representative	City of Jordan
Ed Shukle	City Administrator	City of Jordan
Neil Peterson	Corridor Advocate	
Jane Kansier	Transportation Manager	City of Prior Lake
John Powell	Public Works Director	City of Savage
Janet Williams	Mayor	City of Savage
Fred Corrigan	Council Member	Bonestroo
Jerry Pfeifer		City of St. Peter
Lewis Giesking	Director of Public Works	City of St. Peter
Jeff Johnson	City Engineer	City of Mankato
Michael Leek	Community Development Dir.	City of Shakopee
Tom Hulting	Council Member	City of Bloomington
Bob Oberle	Mayor	City of LeSueur
Ann Goebel	Director MN State Mankato	Twin City Partnerships
Sue Beckman	Program Specialist	Scott County

1) Welcome/Introductions

Vice Chair Ulrich welcomed the group and requested each member to introduce themselves and their affiliations.

2) Adoption of Agenda

Vice Chair Ulrich proceeded with the agenda. Council Member Genelin motioned for approval, Council Member Gates seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

3) Adoption of Minutes

Council Member Genelin motioned for the approval of the December 10, 2009 meeting minutes. Council Member Gates seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

4) Acceptance of the Financial Report

Ms. Freese presented financial statement through December 2009 and requested acceptance by the Board.

Council Member Erickson motioned for approval, Council Member Gates seconded the motion and the board voted to approve the report.

5) Education Program

Ann Goebel the Director of Twin City Partnerships, Minnesota State Mankato – Ann Goebel presented a Power Point presentation on the Metro Strategy importance for Mankato State University.

6) Executive Committee Report

There is a vacancy on the Executive Committee as Rod Axtell resigned. There was discussion on what the procedure was for filling the position. This position would be of Treasurer and would complete the remainder of Mr. Axtell's term, through May 28, 2010. Sue Beckman will be sending out an email looking for Nominations or volunteers for the vacancy. The Board will vote at the February 11, 2010 meeting.

7) Corridor Advocate Report

Mr. Peterson provided a detailed report of his activities over the past month, which is included in the December financial reporting. Mr. Peterson is looking for support from Board member to partner with him for meetings with Counties or Townships. Contact Mr. Peterson if there is interest in attending meetings with him. Mr. Peterson would like to work on developing a relationship in the first few meetings, allowing time to gain their

trust before he presents membership options and costs to them. A packet of materials will be completed to be used for recruitment.

8) I494/169 Update

Ms. Freese informed the group that positive progress is being made. MNDOT needs one large project for the year and the I494/169 project is one of the top on the list. Bloomington, Eden Prairie, and Edina have offered 15 million in Bonds to get the I494/169 project moving forward. There should be word by the end of the month about TIGER funding approval. MNDOT is also looking for internal resources to fund the project. There will be an additional update at the February meeting.

9) Membership Update

There have been no new members since the last meeting. Individual County and Township letters will be prepared for recruiting of new members. The Board supports this approach.

10) 2010 Calendar

A discussion was had to possibly change the dates of the meetings to the 3rd Thursday of the month. After discussion the Board decided to make no change at this time. Council Member Erickson motioned for approval, Council Member Jabes seconded the motion and the board voted to approve the 2010 Board schedule.

11) Meeting Location

The coalition had a discussion about alternating locations for the meetings for 2010. It was decided that Scott County would remain the primary location with having another location host the meeting once per quarter. St. Peter and LeSueur both volunteered to host for February. When a confirmation is made, the members will be notified, via, email. Sue Beckman will send an email to the members requesting volunteers to host future meetings. The Technical Committee will then take the volunteers and produce a schedule for 2010

10) Next Meeting Date

Next meeting is February 11, 2010 at 7:00 pm, location TBA

In 2010 the coalition would like to explore rotating the meeting locations to other places along the corridor. Members are to contact Ms. Freese with a two month notice if they can commit to having the meeting at a different location.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Sue Beckman, Scott County Program Specialist