



# US Hwy 169 Corridor Coalition

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

## Board Meeting Minutes

January 14, 2016  
7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

**Location: Walmart Distribution Center, First Floor Conference Room  
101 Sohler Drive, Mankato, MN 56001**

First Name	Last Name	Title	Agency
Paul	Vogel	Executive Director	MHPO
Lisa	Schickedanz	Associate Planner	Scott County
David	Kratz	Planning Intern	Scott County
John	Schmitt	Citizen Representative	City of Shakopee
Bob	Broeder	Mayor	City of LeSueur
Matt	Johnson	City Council	City of Savage
Barry	Stock	City Administrator	City of Savage
John	Powell	Senior Project Manager	WSB and Associates
Sam	Parker	Transportation Planner	Region Nine
Al	Forsberg	County Engineer	Blue Earth County
Nick	Frentz	Citizen	Northern Mankato
Russ	Wille	Community Development Director	City of St. Peter
Seth	Greenwood	Public Works Director	Nicollet County
Ron	Jabs	Board Representative	City of Jordan
Chad	Sandy	Supervisor	Sand Creek TWP
Bruce	Hunsted	Supervisor	SC TWP
Mark	Carlson	General Manager	Walmart
Shannon	Messer	Assistant General Manager	Walmart
Jim	Stenson	Commissioner	Nicollet County
Ashley	Ver Burg	Communications Specialist	HDR

1. Welcome/Introductions – Commissioner Stuehrenberg

2. Presentations

Mankato Area Planning Organization Presentation – Paul Vogel

- MAPO's population is approximately 60,000 people and encompasses the cities of Mankato, North Mankato, Eagle Lake, and Skyline, including the stretch of US 169 between Mankato and St. Peter.

- US 169 is a critical corridor to connect Mankato and the greater Twin Cities area.
- MAPO developed a long range transportation plan over the past two years.
- 2016 projects include three Intersection Control Evaluation studies and two major corridor studies (Riverfront Drive and Belgrade Avenue), as well as a complete streets plan with North Mankato.
- There was a suggestion to have MnDOT's passenger rail office present at a future Coalition meeting.

3. Walmart Facility Tour

The Coalition toured the Walmart Distribution Center.

4. Adoption of Agenda

Member Broeder motioned to adopt the agenda. Council Member Wille seconded the motion. The agenda was approved.

5. Adoption of Minutes

Member Broeder motioned to adopt the minutes. Council Member Wille seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

6. Financial Report – December 2015

7. 2016 Budget Adoption

Member Broeder motioned to adopt the budget. Council Member Wille seconded the motion. The budget was approved.

8. Annual Insurance Renewal

Member Broeder motioned to adopt the budget. Council Member Wille seconded the motion. The budget was approved.

9. 2016 Legislature Event Discussion

- The proposed date is Thursday, March 24.
- There were no major conflicts identified with this date.
- The format will be an open house similar to the previous year's successful event.
- An agenda will be provided leading up the event.

10. Transitway Study Update

- There was a successful workshop last week. The next workshop will be held in the spring.

- The Coalition would like to know if Land to Air is finding success along the route. Next step will be to get information to the coalition on Land to Air service. HDR will request a presentation for the next meeting.

11. Upcoming Meeting Agenda and Schedule Discussion

- The next meeting will be March 10, 2016. There will be a transitway study update given at this meeting.

12. Other

- US 169 will be closed between Mankato and St. Peter in both directions during the 2016 construction season.

12. The meeting was adjourned at 8:42 P.M.