



# 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

July 17, 2014

7:00 P.M.

**Location: City of Le Sueur City Hall**

First Name	Last Name	Title	Agency
Gene	Abbott	Council Member	City of Savage
Ronda	Allis		MnDOT
Bob	Broeder	Mayor	City of LeSueur
Tim	Burkhardt	Transportation Planner	HDR
Jan	Callison	Commissioner	Hennepin County
Alan	Forsberg	County Engineer	Blue Earth County
Lisa	Freese	Transportation Program Director	Scott County
Jim	Gates	Deputy Director of Public Works	City of Bloomington
Terry	Genelin	Delegate	Region 9 Development Commission
Lewis	Giesking	Director of Public Works	City of St. Peter
Jim	Hovland	Mayor	City of Edina
Emily	Hyland	Public Involvement Manager	HDR
Ron	Jabs	Board Representative	City of Jordan
John	King	Commissioner	LeSueur County
Mark	McNeill	City Administrator	City of Shakopee
Dana	Petersen	Public Involvement Coordinator	HDR
John	Schmitt		City of Shakopee
John	Ulrich	Commissioner	Scott County

Chair Ulrich called the meeting to order at 7:01PM.

**1. Welcome/Introductions – Jon Ulrich, Chair, Scott County Commissioner**

**2. MnDOT Presentation:** Ronda Allis, MnDOT District 7 Principal Planner

**3. Adoption of Agenda**

Mayor Broeder motions to approve the agenda. Deputy Director Gates seconds the motion and it is approved.

**4. Adoption of May 15, 2014 Minutes**

Mayor Broeder motions to approve the minutes. Member Schmitt seconds the motion and it is approved.

**5. Financial Report - June 2014**

Member Schmitt makes a motion to approve the financial report. Commissioner Callison seconds the motion and it is approved.

## 6. Executive and Technical Committee Report

- Project Priority Update
  - Changed from a tiered system to deferred, top priority, and successes
  - List can change based on conditions or new information
  - Future projects are deemed not an immediate need
- Outreach on Priorities
  - Hope to meet with MnDOT
  - Will update one pagers and the website
- Managed Lane Study
  - Scope and length have not been determined
  - Scott McBride, of MnDOT, indicated it would be favorable to do
  - Met with Mayor Hovland and Commissioner Callison about partnering along the corridor
  - Will have full engagement of MnDOT and Metropolitan Council
- 169 ferry bridge
  - Major difference when striped with three lanes
  - Federal highway against keeping striping because of speeds and curves
  - Want to add capacity
- LeSueur Hill R-cut slated to begin next summer but would like to have an interchange
- 9-mile creek bridge replacement
  - Over vast marsh that may go into Hopkins, has structural infirmities
  - Will be an expensive project because of distance
  - Priority is to be compatible with transitway future
- The Jordan City Council is working on officially mapping area footprint
  - Areas may work with interchange
  - It is important to get mapped even if it will be a long time before an interchange is created
  - Need to create zoning for businesses to go
- Nothing to be done with 41 if a tight diamond is put in
  - Possibility of doing flood mitigation
  - Needs discussion on whether it would occur simultaneously with interchange project
  - Have to take stronger look at corridor and how much to make freeway and how long it will go, could go all the way to 41, next step is to look at traffic occurring between Jordan and Shakopee
  - MnDOT is working on an access management plan that goes from 69 to the border of Scott County
- Concern with flooding and closures from LeSueur and Jordan
  - Access management and right-of-way preservation and opportunities for reconstruction
  - Hope to see results within the next few months
- Will look at statutory language in Corridors of Commerce to see if the project priorities would be covered under that program for a possible application
- Mayor Hovland moves to adopt the list of project priorities. Mayor Broeder seconds the motion and it is approved.
- Next Steps:
  - Update outreach materials
  - Develop strategy to approach partners for study along corridor to engage them

- Meeting with legislators, representatives and senators during the winter to make personal contact
- Determine what financial resources are needed for each project
- Establish a way to measure benefits of current emergency striping on the Bloomington-Ferry Bridge to show value
- Determine other factors with legal implications, winter, snow storage, shoulder width, etc.

7. Next Board Meeting: September 18, 2014, 7:00 – 9:00 pm

- a. Scott County Courthouse in Shakopee will be the next location

**8. Adjournment**

Deputy Director Gates moves to adjourn the meeting. The motion is seconded by Member Schmitt and it is approved.