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Mr. Chuck Schierloh Mr. Charles Schreck  
Mr. Richard Schroeder Mr. Robert Sielschott  
Mr. Thomas Tebben Mr. Larry Vandemark

FROM: Mr. Steve Ewing, Chairperson

DATE: February 18, 2021

RE: TCC Meeting

There will be a **Transportation Coordinating Committee** meeting of the Lima-Allen County Regional Planning Commission held on **Thursday, February 25, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.** via teleconference from the Commission office located at 130 W. North Street, Lima, Ohio.

The agenda will be as follows:

1. Roll Call
2. Acceptance of TAC minutes – February 23, 2021
3. Approval of TCC minutes – January 28, 2021
4. RTA Report
5. FINAL FY 2022 Unified Planning Work Program
6. FINAL 2020 Fatal Crash Summary Report
7. FINAL Harrod Comprehensive Plan
8. FINAL Title VI plan
9. Other
10. Adjournment

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c: Mr. Chris Hughes, ODOT

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## TRANSPORTATION COORDINATING COMMITTEE

February 25, 2021

There was a **Transportation Coordinating Committee** meeting of the Lima-Allen County Regional Planning Commission held on **Thursday, February 25, 2021**, at **3:00 p.m.** in the Conference Room of the Commission office located at 130 West North Street, Lima, Ohio.

The agenda was as follows:

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A quorum of the Committee participating, being present via teleconference, Steve Ewing brought the meeting to order and proceeded with the agenda and introductions.

### 1. **ROLL CALL**

Mr. Dave Belton	Shawnee Township
Mr. Kevin Cox	Perry Township
Mr. Howard Elstro	City of Lima
Mr. Steve Ewing	Auglaize Township
Mr. Jerry Gilden	Marion Township
Mr. Mitchell Kingsley	Village of Bluffton
Mr. Doug Post	Amanda Township
Mr. Brian Rhodes	Allen County Engineer's Office
Mr. Chuck Schierloh	City of Lima
Mr. Charles Schreck	Ohio Department of Transportation District 1
Mr. Thomas Tebben	City of Lima

### **GUESTS**

Karen Garland	ACRTA
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### **STAFF**

Mr. Shane Coleman	Lima-Allen County Regional Planning Commission
Ms. Marlene Schumaker	Lima-Allen County Regional Planning Commission

### 2. **ACCEPTANCE OF TAC MINUTES – February 23, 2021**

#### **Motion 09 (02-25-21) TCC**

Thomas Tebben made the motion that the TAC minutes of February 23, 2021, be accepted. Seconded by Dave Belton; motion carried.

**3. APPROVAL OF TCC MINUTES – January 28, 2021**

**Motion 10 (02-25-21) TCC**

Kevin Cox made the motion that the TCC minutes of January 28, 2021 be accepted. Seconded by Doug Post; motion carried.

**4. RTA REPORT**

Karen Garland reported the Committee should have received the ridership information via email. Karen Garland reported that last month the Committee learned that RTA was working on adding fixed routes to the Village of Bluffton and the City of Delphos. RTA has got the routes just about worked out. RTA's Board meets on March 2<sup>nd</sup> and RTA administration will be presenting information pertaining to both routes to the Board for approval. RTA administration anticipates approval from the Board. The projected start of the routes is mid-June. RTA continues to grow and will add more services as they have the manpower and funds for expansion.

**Motion 11 (02-25-21) TCC**

Thomas Tebben made the motion to accept the RTA Report. Seconded by Doug Post; motion carried.

**5. FINAL FY 2022 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM**

Shane Coleman reported last month the Committee reviewed the DRAFT FY 2022 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). The draft document was placed on the Lima-Allen County Regional Planning Commission (LACRPC) website to begin the public participation process. Staff also forwarded the draft document to the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) for review and comment. Staff received no comments from the general public, however, staff received comments from ODOT. There were a few minor changes and corrections made as per ODOT's comments. Staff updated some PID numbers, changed an account number, corrected some dates from 2020 to 2021, and verified who on staff was going to perform activities centered around RPC website updates, and marketing and promotion. Shane Coleman stated that the final document will not be submitted for final review and comment/action until after the RPC's Annual meeting in April.

**Motion 12 (02-25-21) TCC**

Howard Elstro made the motion to approve the FINAL FY 2022 Unified Planning Work Program. Seconded by Mitchell Kingsley; motion carried.

**6. FINAL 2020 TRAFFIC CRASH SUMMARY REPORT**

Shane Coleman reported the Committee reviewed the DRAFT 2020 Fatal Crash Summary Report. The draft document was placed on the RPC website for public participation. Staff has received no comments or requests for revisions. The annual public relations (PR) event with the Allen County Coroner the Friday before Super Bowl weekend was held whereby, the DRAFT 2020 Traffic Crash Summary Report was released to the media.

**Motion 13 (02-25-21) EC**

Dave Belton made the motion to approved the FINAL 2020 Fatal Crash Summary Report. Seconded by Kevin Cox; motion carried.

## 7. FINAL HARROD COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Shane Coleman thanked the Village of Harrod and staff for all of the hard work they all put into drafting this document. The Village of Harrod had the document for about three weeks for review before the draft document was presented to the Committee in January. The draft document was placed on the RPC website for public participation and staff has received no comments from the general public. Shane Coleman reported that there was an addition made to the document as per the Village of Harrod's request and the text reads as follows: "The village has expressed a desire to provide additional opportunities for active transportation by implementing a multi-use trail to serve the entire Allen East community. The proposed path would connect Allen East K-12 school with Lafayette and Harrod. The trail would span roughly 3.5 miles north to south and connect both villages within Allen East Local School District as well as providing a safe and active transportation method for school-aged children." Shane Coleman reported Harrod has identified a lot of activity along Napoleon Road and felt that this type of project is something that they would like to pursue in the future. Staff felt it was important to add the above-referenced text to the Harrod Comprehensive Plan. Harrod also wanted to look at adding the Village of Lafayette and Allen East Local School District as part of the project. Some challenges have been identified as the project would cross the intersection of Napoleon Road and SR 309 and would be addressed if the project actually materializes. Kevin Cox asked how Harrod plans on working on the project. Shane Coleman replied that there is no plan at this time; the project came about from a "brainstorming" activity. Chuck Schierloh asked what Harrod's idea of a trail is. Shane Coleman replied that Harrod is looking at a multi-use path. Chuck Schierloh stated a path for bikes, pedestrians, etc. Shane Coleman replied in the affirmative. Dave Belton stated that Shawnee Township looked at putting in a trail of crushed limestone that can accommodate a bike as well as pedestrians. The path was not going to be constructed of asphalt due to cost. Mitchell Kingsley asked who actually wrote the language in the Comprehensive Plan. Shane Coleman replied that RPC staff (Cody Doyle and Adam Haunhorst) wrote the Plan. Dave Belton asked if there is a list of the local political subdivisions that have a comprehensive plan. Shane Coleman replied that all of the local comprehensive plans are on the RPC website. Marlene Schumaker stated that any local political subdivision interested in updating or developing a comprehensive plan might look at doing it within the next two years as there is federal funding available to help to pay for developing a comprehensive plan. Shane Coleman reported that staff is currently working on an update to the Village of Elida Comprehensive Plan as well as a new comprehensive plan for the City of Lima. Howard Elstro stated that the City of Lima is "dusting off" its infrastructure plan due to conversations with the Biden Administration and the possibility of a passage of an infrastructure bill being passed which could be beneficial for local towns, villages, townships, etc. Shane Coleman stated that it appears that MPO's may be receiving stimulus funds as well. Staff is not in possession of any details at this time.

### **Motion 14 (02-25-21) TCC**

Kevin Cox made the motion to approve the FINAL Harrod Comprehensive Plan. Seconded by Mitchell Kingsley; motion carried.

## 8. FINAL TITLE VI PLAN

Shane Coleman reported the Committee reviewed the DRAFT Title VI Plan in January. The draft document was placed on the RPC website for public participation and staff received no comments from the general public. The draft document was submitted to ODOT for review and comment. ODOT stated that the "document looks excellent and appears to cover all requirements." The only suggestion from ODOT pertained to the complaint process and ODOT recommended that the document state that the Federal Highway Administration

8. **FINAL TITLE VI PLAN** (Continued)

(FHWA) take the lead in any complaints. Staff has made the change to the final document.

**Motion 15 (02-25-21) TCC**

Dave Belton made the motion to approve the DRAFT Title VI Plan. Seconded by Howard Elstro; motion carried.

9. **OTHER**

a. **Virtual Public Meeting Pertaining to the Main Street/Market Street Safety Improvement Project**

Shane Coleman reported a virtual public meeting will be held Thursday, March 18, 2021, pertaining to the Main Street/Market Street Safety Improvement Project. The presentation will begin at 5:30 PM followed by a question-and-answer period. If anyone is interested in participating, call the Commission office for log-in details.

b. **Shawnee Township Trustee Meetings**

Dave Belton reported that Shawnee Township will be going back to in-person meetings beginning March 8, 2021 for township business and removing meetings from social media. Dave Belton reported that Shawnee Townships is interested in Senate Bill 118 (there is also a corresponding House Bill) related to solar and wind-farm applications. Both Bills, if passed, will allow residents to gather petition(s) and present the petition(s) to the Board of Trustees of a township to be placed on a referendum vote. For the voters at the next election. Dave Belton stated that the Shawnee Township Trustees are following both Bills closely as Shawnee Township is involved in a possible solar farm in its community. Shawnee Township's Land Use Plan never called for any solar or wind facilities. Each political subdivision needs to think about possibly placing text within its plans pertaining to solar and/or wind facilities. Dave Belton reported that the Township Trustees just updated its zoning as pertains to wind and solar. The State Legislature has begun to look at giving local residents some control over the decisions pertaining to solar and wind facilities because at this time, the Public Utilities Commission (PUCO) has all of the power over these decisions.

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion 16 (02-25-21) TCC**

Thomas Tebben made the motion that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Kevin Cox; motion carried.

**TCC COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**February 25, 2021**  
**Sign-In Sheet**

	NAME (Signature of Member)	MAILING and E-MAIL ADDRESS	TELEPHONE NO.	REPRESENTING	ELDERLY (65+)	DISABLED	MINORITY
	1 ✓	Dave Belton	4025 Yellowwood Lima, OH 45806 <a href="mailto:trusteedave@shawneetownship.com">trusteedave@shawneetownship.com</a>	419-2041-8000 (Cell)	Shawnee Township	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
2	Frank Burkett	200 N. High Street – Rm. 328 Columbus, OH 43215 <a href="mailto:Frank.Burkett@dot.gov">Frank.Burkett@dot.gov</a>	614-280-6838	Federal Highway Administration	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
3 ✓	Kevin Cox	5740 Dizler Road Harrod, OH 45850 <a href="mailto:kevincox@gmail.com">kevincox@gmail.com</a>	419-648-2805 (H) 419-392-1036 (Cell) 419-221-3948 (Fax)	Perry Township	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
4 ✓	Howard Elstro	50 Town Square Lima, OH 45801 <a href="mailto:Howard.elstro@cityhall.lima.oh.us">Howard.elstro@cityhall.lima.oh.us</a>	419-228-5462 (W) 419-221-5214 (Fax) 419-229-9703 (H)	City of Lima	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
5 ✓	Steve Ewing	3111 Carey Street Harrod, OH 45850 <a href="mailto:Steve.Ewing7291@gmail.com">Steve.Ewing7291@gmail.com</a>	419-648-2413 (h) 419-230-7291 (Cell)	Auglaize Township	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
6 ✓	Jerry Gilden	8386 Ridge Road Delphos, OH 45833 <a href="mailto:gildenj@nationwide.com">gildenj@nationwide.com</a>	419-695-4656 (W) 419-303-8756 (Cell) 419-692-2364 (H)	Marion Township	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
7 ✓	Mitchell Kingsley	313 Campus Drive Bluffton, OH 45817 <a href="mailto:kingsleym@bluffton.edu">kingsleym@bluffton.edu</a>	419-236-7106 (cell) 419-358-5606 (W)	Village of Bluffton	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
8 ✓	Doug Post	9810 Spencerville Road Spencerville, OH 45887 <a href="mailto:Dcpost46@gmail.com">Dcpost46@gmail.com</a>	419-647-6015 (H) 419-303-3241 (cell)	Amanda Township	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
9 ✓	Brion Rhodes	1501 N. Sugar Street Lima, OH 45801 <a href="mailto:brhodes@allencountyohio.com">brhodes@allencountyohio.com</a>	419-228-3196 (W) 419-227-2920 (Fax)	Allen County Engineer's Office	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

	NAME (Signature of Member)	MAILING and E-MAIL ADDRESS	TELEPHONE NO.	REPRESENTING	ELDERLY (65+)	DISABLED	MINORITY
10	Chuck Schierloh	800 S. Peas Avenue Lima, OH 45805 cschierloh@wcoil.com	419-302-9579	City of Lima	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
11	Charles Schreck	1885 N. McCullough Street Lima, OH 45801 charles.schreck@dot.state.oh.us	419-999-6856 (W) 419-999-7092 (Fax) 419-227-9257 (H)	ODOT District One	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
12	Dick Schroeder	3968 Ft. Amanda Road Lima, OH 45805 debtrich@woh.rr.com	419-229-6922	Allen County Regional Transit Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
13	Robert Stelschott	2880 Ada Road Lima, OH 45801 rebathtrustee@gmail.com	419-231-5138	Bath Township	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
14	Thomas Tebben	2331 W. Market Street Lima, OH 45805 tebben@woh.rr.com	419-226-7225 (W) 419-226-7364 (Fax) 419-227-8866 (H)	City of Lima	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
15	Larry Vandemark	2980 N. Wapak Road Elida, OH 45807 vandemark@wcoil.com	419-339-3641 (H) 419-234-1508 (Cell) 419-331-7047 (Fax)	American Township	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
16	Shane Coleman			RPC	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
17	Marlene Schwanker			RPC	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
18	Karen Garland			Aerona	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No