*Meeting Via Microsoft Teams Meeting – Meeting was recorded*

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 1:35 p.m.

***Introductions/Roll Call***

**Those Present Were**

Ryan Smith, BCATS Staff; Dominic Pavone, BCATS Staff; Jay Reithel, MDOT; Brian Stark, MDOT; Anita Boughner, MDOT; Jim Sturdevant, MDOT; Cody Bodrie, EMCOG; Terry Moultane, City of Bay City Planning; Terri Close, Hampton Township Supervisor; Eric Sprague, BMTA, and; Cyndi Gaul, Environmental Affairs & Community Development Department.

**Minutes from June 16, 2021 BCATS Policy Meeting**

It was moved by Sprague, seconded by Moultane, to approve the minutes from the June 16, 2021 BCATS Policy Committee Meeting as amended with correction stated above. Motion Passed (see voice vote of voting members below - call in location for each voting member is listed on the sign in sheet).

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| **Approval of the Minutes from the June 16, 2021 BCATS Policy Meeting** |
| **NAME VOTE** | **NAME VOTE** | **NAME VOTE** |
| Anita Boughner | YES | Terri Close | YES |  |  |
| Terry Moultane | YES | Eric Sprague | YES |  |  |
| Cody Bodrie | YES |  |  |  |  |

**Public Comment**
There was no public comment brought before the committee.

**Legislative Update**There has been no new movement on the Transportation Bills. Boughner discussed that while the COVID-19 (HIC) Funding was approved at the Federal level, it has not been approved at the State level for appropriation. This means that projects for the HIC Funding can be programmed, but they can’t be obligated until the State approves the appropriation of the funding.

**EMCOG Update**
There was no new update for EMCOG.

**Transit Safety Targets:**
A copy of the draft Safety Targets for MPO adoption were presented to the BCATS Policy Committee members for review and approval. The current draft includes the Bay Metro Transit Safety Plan that MPOs must formally adopt.

It was moved by Boughner, seconded by Moultane, to adopt the Safety Targets as the MPO’s targets with the additional pages that include the BMTA Safety Plan. Motion Passed unanimously (see voice vote of voting members below - call in location for each voting member is listed on the sign in sheet).

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| **Approval of the Transit Safety Targets from the August 18, 2021 BCATS Policy Meeting** |
| **NAME VOTE** | **NAME VOTE** | **NAME VOTE** |
| Anita Boughner | YES | Terri Close | YES |  |  |
| Terry Moultane | YES | Eric Sprague | YES |  |  |
| Cody Bodrie | YES |  |  |  |  |

**BCATS Public Hearing on 2020-2023 TIP Amendment/Administrative Modification:**

The Public Hearing was called to order at 1:42 p.m. The purpose of the Public Hearing was to discuss changes to the 2020-2023 TIP. Smith provided a handout of the FY 2020-2023 TIP Amendment/Administrative Modification list for review and approval from the Policy Committee. The following is the TIP Amendment/Administrative Modification requested:

**FY 2022:**

1. Budget Adjustment for the MDOT Region-wide Traffic Safety Project Construction (Saginaw, Lapeer, Midland, Bay, Genesee, St. Clair) for Longitudinal pavement marking application on trunklines in Bay Region.
2. Addition of M-15 Traffic Safety Right-of-way Project (at Youngsditch Road) to the STIP.
3. Budget Adjustment for the MDOT Region-wide Traffic Safety Project Construction (Saginaw, Lapeer, Midland, Bay, Genesee, St. Clair) for Special pavement marking application on trunklines in Bay Region.

**FY 2023**

1. Budget Adjustment for the MDOT Region-wide Traffic Safety Project Construction (Saginaw, Genesee, St. Clair, Lapeer, Bay) for Longitudinal pavement marking application on trunklines in Bay Region.
2. Adjustment for the MDOT Region-wide Traffic Safety Project Construction (Saginaw, Genesee, St. Clair, Lapeer, Bay) for Special pavement marking application on trunklines in Bay Region.

The Public Hearing on the TIP Amendments and Administrative Modifications to the BCATS 2020-2023 TIP was adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

**BCATS Regular Meeting Reconvened**
The regular BCATS Policy Committee Meeting was reconvened at 1:45 p.m.

A motion was made by Close, seconded by Boughner, to approve the FY 2020-2023 TIP Amendments as listed above. Motion Passed (see voice vote of voting members below - call in location for each voting member is listed on the sign in sheet).

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| **Approval of the FY 2020-2023 TIP Amendments from the August 18, 2021 BCATS Policy Meeting** |
| **NAME VOTE** | **NAME VOTE** | **NAME VOTE** |
| Anita Boughner | YES | Terri Close | YES |  |  |
| Terry Moultane | YES | Eric Sprague | YES |  |  |
| Cody Bodrie | YES |  |  |  |  |

**2045 Long Range Plan Project List Update:**
BCATS Staff is working on creating a new recommended project list and ask that local road agencies provide an updated list of projects out to 2045 so that they can be included into the 2045 Long Range Plan. BCATS will be approving the 2045 Long Range Plan Project List at the October 2021 meeting. BCAT Staff is working on the development of the 2045 Long Range Plan and the FY 2023 – 2026 TIP simultaneously. A formal call for FY 2023-2026 TIP projects will be sent out via email within the next two weeks.

**Earmark Funding & COVID-19 (HIC) Funding:**The COVID-19 (HIC) Funding was approved at the Federal level, however it still needs to be approved for appropriation at the State level. Therefore, projects for the HIC Funding can be programmed but not obligated until the State approves the appropriation of the funding. Funds have been earmarked for the City of Bay City’s last two phases of the Wenonah Street Project. Phase two is currently Wenonah Street (Fisher to Jane) and Phase Three is currently Wenonah Street (Jane to North Union). There has been discussion with the City of Bay City about combining the last two phases of this project so the length of road for each design phase for this project are more equal in length. The BCATS Committee was reminded that there is an overlap year when dealing with the TIP. The current FY 2020-23 TIP will end September 30, 2023. However, the new FY 2023-26 TIP will be submitted for review by the Federal agency in June 2022. Once the FY 2023-26 TIP document has been submitted for review at the Federal level, no TIP Amendments or Modifications can be made to a project until the new TIP is approved on October 1st, at which time any of the changes to the 2023 projects can be made in JobNet.

**Asset Management Updates:**

Ryan Smith and Dominic Pavone conducted PASER Federal Aid road ratings in July 2021 for the City of Bay City. They will be working to collect PASER Federal Aid road ratings throughout the rest of Bay County the end of August 2021. The 2020 Asset Management Funds were extended for use into 2021 due to COVID-19. The 2021 Asset Management Funds were extended into 2022. Staff has been working to use up the Asset Management Funds in order to get as many roads rated as possible throughout Bay County. There has been interest in rating the local road system and staff will work with the local MPOs to see how this can be accomplished.

**Project Updates:**

**MDOT:**

There are no MDOT Project updates at this time. MDOT would like to meet with the Bridge Partners to see what is happening with the bridges and to get updates on bridge projects. Moultane will talk to Phillips to see about setting up a meeting with the Bridge Partners, City of Bay City, and MDOT.

**Bay Metro Transit Authority (BMTA):**BMTA fixed routes #1 and #4 will be restarting August 30, 2021 in time to provide services with the starting of the school year. BMTA is currently running on demand response for rides and will not be collecting fares until October 4, 2021. Ridership continues to be low.

**Bay City:**

There are no City of Bay City road project updates at this time.

**Bay County Road Commission (BCRC):**

There are no Bay County Road Commission road project updates at this time.

**Hampton Township:**There were no Hampton Township road project updates at this time.

**Other/New Business**

***BCATS 2022 Meeting Schedule***

The schedule for the 2022 BCATS Meetings will be submitted at the next BCATS Policy meeting for review and approval.

***Call for Projects***There is a call for projects that will need to be submitted to Ryan Smith by September 1, 2021. A formal call out for FY 2023-2026 TIP Projects will be sent out via email.

***Special November BCATS Meetings***
In order to allow enough time for Public Comments and to have a Public Open House for document review, Smith recommends that there be special BCATS Tech and BCATS Policy Meetings in November 2021. If we are able to finish up the yearend business, we probably would not need to hold the December 2021 BCATS Meetings.

As there were no further business, a motion was made by Moultane, seconded by Sprague, to adjourn the August 18, 2021 BCATS Policy Committee meeting at 2:16 p.m. Motion Passed (see voice vote of voting members below - call in location for each voting member is listed on the sign in sheet).

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| **Adjournment of the June 16, 2021 BCATS Policy Committee Meeting** |
| **NAME VOTE** | **NAME VOTE** | **NAME VOTE** |
| Jim Lillo | YES | Vaughn Begick | YES | Anita Boughner | YES |
| Terry Moultane | YES | Laura Ogar | YES |  |  |
| Rachel Phillips | YES | Cody Bodrie | YES |  |  |

Respectfully submitted,

Ryan Smith

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BCATS Director

 *Transcribed by C. Gaul*