**Call to Order:**
The meeting was called to order at 10:07 a.m.

**Introductions/Roll Call:**
Introductions were made.

**Those Present Were:**

Laura Ogar, Bay County; Dominic Pavone, BCATS Staff; Jim Lillo, BCRC; Jay Reithel, MDOT; Lindsey Dowswell, MDOT; Terry Moultane, City of Bay City; Rachel Phillips, City of Bay City; James Deweerdt, BCATS Staff and Cyndi Gaul, Administrative Assistant, Bay County Environmental Affairs and Community Development Department.
***Attended by phone:*** Cody Bodrie, EMCOG; Brian Stark, MDOT, and Tina Makarewicz, MDOT.

**Minutes from June 14, 2022 BCATS Technical Meeting:**

It was moved by Moultane, seconded by Lillo, to approve the minutes as corrected from the June 14, 2022, BCATS Technical Committee Meeting. Motion Passed Unanimously.

**Public Comment:**

There was no public comment brought before the committee.

**Legislative Update:**

There was no Legislative Update brought before the committee.

Richard Bayus has replaced Anita Boughner at MDOT. Bodrie mentioned that there will be a regional meeting coming up next Monday.

**FY2020-2023 TIP Amendments, Administrative Modifications:**

Pavone provided a handout of the FY 2020-2023 TIP Amendment/Administrative Modification for review and recommendation to the Policy Committee for approval. The following is the TIP Amendment/Administrative Modification requested:

**FY 2022:**

1. Job #205858 – Administrative Modification Phase Budget Adjustment MDOT Region-wide Traffic Safety Project came in higher then estimated.

**FY2023**:

1. Job #200103 – Administrative Modification Phase Addition for the BMTA Multi-Model 5307 Operating Assistance.
2. Job #201403 – Administrative Modification Budget Adjustment for MDOT region-wide 7 Mile Road Project (US-10 west).
3. Job #202144 – Administrative Modification Phase Addition for MDOT Mackinaw Road (over US-10) Bridge Replacement Project.
4. Job #202649 – Administrative Modification Phase Addition for MDOT M-84 North Traffic Safety Project.
5. Job #206168 – Administrative Modification Phase Abandoned for BCRC East Beaver Road rehabilitation project.
6. Job #206236 – Administrative Modification Phase Abandoned for City of Bay City South Wenona Avenue Project STUL Funding.
7. Job #206236 – Administrative Modification Phase Abandoned for City of Bay City South Wenona Avenue Project HIPS Funding.
8. Job #206288 – Administrative Modification Phase Addition for BMTA SP1105 Van Replacement Project.
9. Job #206288 – Administrative Modification Phase Addition for BMTA SP1203 Facility Improvements/Equipment Maintenance/Vehicle Replacement Project.
10. Job #206288 – Administrative Modification Phase Addition for BMTA SP1408 Equipment Maintenance (hoists, tools, etc.) Project.
11. Job #207356 – Administrative Modification PE Phase Addition for MDOT Region-wide Traffic Safety Project.
12. Job #207356 – Administrative Modification Construction Phase Addition for MDOT Region-wide Traffic Safety Project.
13. Job #207357 - Administrative Modification PE Phase Addition for MDOT Region-wide Traffic Safety Project.
14. Job #207357 - Administrative Modification Construction Phase Addition for MDOT Region-wide Traffic Safety Project.
15. Job #207374 - Administrative Modification Construction Phase Addition for MDOT Region-wide Traffic Safety Project.
16. Job #209496 - Administrative Modification Construction Phase Addition for MDOT Region-wide Traffic Safety Project on M-15 at Youngs Ditch Road.
17. Job #210744 - Administrative Modification Phase Addition for BMTA FY2023 5311 Operating Assistance.
18. Job #213224 - Administrative Modification Phase Addition for MDOT Region-wide PE Roadside Facilities Improvement Project on I-75 at the Bay City Rest Area.
19. Job #204851 - Administrative Modification Budget GPA Adjustment for MDOT Trunkline Bridge Rehabilitation Project on US-10 (two structures on US-10).
20. Job #209496 - Administrative Modification Construction Phase Addition for MDOT Traffic Safety Project for the modernization pf signalized intersection to current standards on M-13.
21. Job #208823 - Administrative Modification Phase Abandoned in 2023 for MDOT Project on Jenny Street (M-25 westbound) and Thomas Street (M-25 eastbound).
22. Job #208827 - Administrative Modification Phase Abandoned in 2023 for MDOT Project on M-25 at Walnut Street to the bridge.

A motion was made by Phillips, seconded by Ogar, to favorably recommend the FY 2020-2023 TIP amendment/administrative modifications listed above. Motion passed unanimously.

**2045 Long Range Plan/Metropolitan Transportation Plan (LRP/MTP) Update:**
BCATS staff provided a handout of the 2045 Long Range Plan/Metropolitan Transportation Plan (LRP/MTP) with the inclusion of the edits and changes as recommended by MDOT. The BCRC had some minor changes which were also included in the draft LRP/MTP. A brief discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Ogar, seconded by Phillips, to favorably recommend the 2045 Long Range Plan/Metropolitan Transportation Plan (LRP/MTP) with the inclusion of the edits and changes as recommended by MDOT and the BCRC be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

**Asset Management Update:**
Staff will participate in the Pavement Surface Evaluation and Rating (PASER) with the City of Bay City and the BCRC sometime between August and October of 2022. To get back on a regular road rating schedule, staff will need to rate at least half of the roads each year. The BCRC may hire a consultant to conduct their road ratings. The City of Bay City hired a consultant last year and had to correct many mistakes, so they aren’t sure if they will hire a consultant this year. The City of Bay City may request an extension since they are still dealing with the 2021 rating report corrections.

**Project Updates:**

**Bay County Road Commission (BCRC)**The South Euclid Avenue project (Hotchkiss to Salzburg) is moving along. There is currently a $.5M overrun cost due to utility delays for this project. The contractor has been excellent. The Hotchkiss Road Project for the addition of a third lane to accommodate the increase in traffic at Michigan Sugar should alleviate the congestion created by the trucks during sugar beet season. There are two bridge projects in northern Bay County that will be completed this year. The Mackinaw Road Culvert Project is underway. The Mackinaw Road Project (Erickson to Pinconning) is underway. The Midland Road Project (I-75 overpass to Carter Road) will be constructed in 2023. There is a resolution request pending to construct four bridges in 2024 thru 2029. The State Park Drive Project has been split into three phases (Bay City Water Treatment Phase, Bay County Road Commission Phase, and Bangor Township Phase). The request for additional funding for the State Park Drive Project was submitted and the BCRC received acknowledgement from the offices of State Representative Annette Glenn and State Senator Kevin Daley. Hopefully funding will come through for this project. The Middlegrounds project went well, and the contractor did well and kept the project efficient and organized. Road reconstruction of the Middlegrounds road will take place once the project has been finished. Some mill and fill took place near and around the Sand Bar. There will be some road closures coming up on Wilder Road, Shrestha Drive (by Gordon Foods), and Wilder Road (by S.C. Johnson).

**City of Bay City**The Wenona Street project granite lining was completed the end of June 2022. It is anticipated that construction will move forward after Labor Day. This was a two-year project, and it should be completed by the end of 2023. The longer section of this project will be stared in Spring 2023. The July 1, 2022 letting for the John Street, Saginaw Street, Monitor Road, and Grant Street project package has come in lower then anticipated. This package project should be completed by the end of 2022. There are sidewalk projects that will be coming up throughout Bay City. The Liberty Bridge will be opening one lane in each direction sometime soon, and the bridge should be completed by spring of 2024. Independence Bridge will be a Reconstruction/Rehabilitation project that will be done in 2024. Lafayette Street will be going through a rehabilitation in 2023, the dates haven’t been set yet. The Independence Bridge, Liberty Bridge, and Lafayette Street projects will be taking place between 2024-2026. MDOT will be running a diversion rate model for the increase of traffic on MDOT bridges due to the Bay City bridge construction. Consumers Energy is working on updates and upgrades around Bay City. They are currently working on the south end of the city and plan to work on the east side in 2023. Consumers plans to work on the west side of Bay City in 2024. There are railroad crossing projects coming up in Bay City and they will be looking for detour routes. These projects will create issues with traffic flow and congestion, so Bay City is working to coordinate the projects to help alleviate some of the traffic concerns. As a heads up, there will be windmills on the move in Bay City along Prairie Road to Marquette to Truman and south of the bridge to Trumbull. The Windmill trucks will have large blades and they will be moving during the early morning, and should be done by 9:00 a.m.

**Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT)**There were no updates brought before the committee.

**Other/New Business:**

***Linwood Scenic Access Site***
Ogar announced that this project was awarded a Buy American/Build American grant. This means that American steel must be used for the pier construction. Phillips mentioned that the prices of American steel hasn’t gone up, however the demand has and there is a six month to one year wait for getting American steel. The Linwood Scenic Access Site project is also waiting for the receipt of the National Parks agreement. There will be 400-foot steel seawall and back fill for the green space.

***2022 Junior Planner of the Year Award***

At the 2022 Michigan Transportation Planning Association (MTPA) Conference, Dominic Pavone was presented with the 2022 Junior Planner of the Year Award for demonstrating significant accomplishment in the multiple facets of transportation planning. Dominic was nominated for this award by Laura Ogar. This award reflects the great work being done by both Dominic Pavone and James Deweerdt. Congratulations Dominic and James!

***Carbon Reduction Funding Meeting***
Pavone will be setting up a carbon reduction meeting with MDOT and local partners to review the funding portion of the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) update.

***Next BCATS Technical Committee Meeting***

The next BCATS Technical Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 11, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. at the Bay County Building in the second-floor conference room.

As there were no further business, a motion was made by Lillo, seconded by Phillips, to adjourn the August 9, 2022 BCATS Technical Committee meeting at 11:23 a.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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*Transcribed by C. Gaul*