

Butler County Transportation Improvement District
Board of Trustees Meeting
October 10th, 2022, at 8:30 A.M.

1. & 2. Open Board Meeting and Call to Order

A Regular Board Meeting of the Butler County Transportation Improvement District (BCTID) Board of Trustees was called to order by Mr. Don Hasler, at 8:30 a.m., on Monday, October 10th, 2022, at the Butler County Engineer's Office, Large Multi-purpose Room, 1921 Fairgrove Avenue, Hamilton, Ohio 45011 and roll call was taken.

Attendees Board Members:

Don Hasler, Chairperson
Michael Dreisbach, Vice-Chairperson
Greg Wilkens, Secretary-Treasurer
Kristen Bitonte
Bruce Jones
Laurie Kile
Joe McAbee
Eric Pohlman

Attendees Non-Voting Board Members:

Bob Koehler

BCTID Director: Dan Corey

Absent Board Members:

Ken Bogard
Larry Burks
Doug Fields
Ben Mann

Other Guests:

Jennifer Gross, State Representative
Allen Messer, City of Hamilton
Rusty Schuermann, BCTID Legal
Mark Hurst, Hurst, Kelly & Company LLC
Andrea Harth, TEC Engineering
Dan Hoying, LJB, Inc.
Jay Hamilton, Mead Hunt
Jeff Wallace, CT Consultants
Shawn Mason, American Structurepoint
Steve Shadix, Stantec
Travis Backer, AECOM
Jon Brunot, B&N
Rob Hans, Michael Baker International

3. Approval of Minutes:

Motion made by Mr. Eric Pohlman and seconded by Mr. Bruce Jones to approve the minutes of the October 10th, 2022 Regular Board Meeting of the Butler County Transportation Improvement District as submitted. By voice vote the motion carried unanimously with all Board Members present each voting yes.

4. Chair's Report – No report.

5. Staff Report

Director Corey reported to the Board the following updates:

1. 129/Cox Road/Liberty Way

Sunesis Construction Company was awarded the construction contract in the amount of \$23,916,510.88.

2. Millikin – I-75 Interchange

Public Involvement – The Preferred Alternative is the Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI). Comments will continue to be welcomed throughout the process.

Environmental Engineering – The Alternative Evaluation Report (AER) has been reviewed by ODOT with minor comments and resubmitted for final approval. A fee proposal was developed by the consultant for Detail Design (taking the project to final Construction Documents as well as R/W Plans) and is being asked to be approved as part of the Board's Agenda. The Interchange Justification Study was approved by ODOT and FHWA.

Partnership Meeting – Liberty Township, Butler County and the BCTID are discussing the local funding plan options that will need to be secured prior to applying for State and Federal Funds. This plan will ultimately be agreed to in the form of a three-party Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA).

Funding - TRAC Board awarded Millikin Interchange \$1.0M for FY23, which allows the project to be advanced through CY23. The OKI STBG Application for Cin-Day/Millikin Roundabout was unsuccessful.

Developer Meetings – Liberty Township has been meeting with several developers to discuss their interest in developing the Millikin TIF district area that will generate the Construction Local Match dollars.

Access Management – Multiple meetings were held with the Butler County Engineer's Office, Liberty Township, Warren County Engineer's Office, and ODOT to discuss access management of the local roadways and the limited access right-of-way limits around the interchange.

3. North Hamilton Crossing (NHX)

Preliminary Engineering – The 4th Stakeholder Meeting was held on October 4th where two (2) conceptual alternatives were recommended by the Project Team to advance out of the Feasibility Study and into the Alternative Evaluation Review phase of the Plan Development Process (PDP). The Project Team is currently preparing a DRAFT Feasibility Study. There is a Public Involvement meeting anticipated for January of 2023.

Funding - TRAC awarded NHX \$0.5M for FY22 and \$1.5M for FY23. For the U.S. Department of Transportation application – Rebuilding American Infrastructure Sustainability Equity (RAISE) for 2022 receive a “Highly Rated” designation from the Senior Review Team, however, no funds were awarded. An application is being submitted for the Federal Rail Administration’s funding program called Railroad Crossing Elimination (RCE). The applications are due October 11 and the funding request is \$1,250,000.

4. Properties

City of Hamilton – The R/W for SR 129 is still being held in the name of the BCTID. The City of Hamilton reached out to BCTID asking about the stairs along SR 129 between Garfield Middle School and Butler County Board of Elections. More recently the City of Hamilton has reached out to us asking that the BCTID properties along High Street (SR 129) between S Erie Boulevard and N Fair Avenue be transferred to the City of Hamilton. BCTID and the City of Hamilton are in discussions to transfer these properties.

Park and Ride Property – An offer to purchase the property has been presented and will be discussed at the Board’s New Business.

6. New Business

- A. Resolution 2022-13, A resolution approving sale of excess property and authorizing related agreement. Mr. Joe McAbee made a motion to approve the Resolution and Mr. Greg Wilkens seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, motion carried with each member present separately voting “yes” thereon.

7. Committee Reports

- Governance – No report
- Public Information – No report
- Operations/Human Resources – No report
- Finance – No report

8. Public Comments - No public comment.

9. Adjournment

Motion made by Mr. Eric Pohlman and seconded by Mr. Greg Wilkens to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting of the Butler County Transportation Improvement District Board of Trustees, upon the call of the vote, carried with all members present voting aye thereon. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

Approved at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Butler County Transportation Improvement District, Warren County, Ohio, this November 12th, 2022.

Presiding Trustee
Butler County Transportation Improvement District

Attest:

Secretary-Treasurer, Greg Wilkens
Butler County Transportation Improvement District

Motion to approve:

Seconded by: