

Butler County Transportation Improvement District
Board of Trustees Meeting
December 5th, 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, December 5th, 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
Ken Bogard
Larry Burks
Bruce Jones
Laurie Kile
Ben Mann
Greg Martin
Joe McAbee
Eric Pohlman (arrived after New Business)

Attendees Non-Voting Board Members: Dan Corey, Director
Bob Koehler, Non-Voting Board Member

Absent Board Members: Kristen Bitonte
Doug Fields

Other Guests: Jennifer Gross, Representative, District 52
Rusty Schuermann, BCTID Legal
Keith Smith, ODOT – District 8
Allen Messer, City of Hamilton
Arun Hindupur, West Chester
Ann Rahall, TEC Engineering
Ben Stollar, O.R. Colan
Brian Toombs, Burgess & Niple
Ed Williams, TEC Engineering
Jay Hamilton, Mead & Hunt
Rob Hans, Michael Baker International
Shawn Mason, American Structurepoint
Steve Mary, Terracon
Steve Shadix, Stantec
Jeff Wallace, CT Consultants
Linda Bonham, Bonham Farms

3. Approval of Minutes:

Motion made by Mr. Larry Burks and seconded by Mr. Joe McAbee to approve the minutes of the November 14th, 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

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

Geometrics and Final Design – B&N is under contract for Geometrics and Final Design.

R/W Phase – The R/W Phase is anticipated commencing in late summer 2023.

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).

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 was submitted in October for the Federal Rail Administration's funding program called Railroad Crossing Elimination (RCE). The funding request was \$1,250,000.

4. Properties

City of Hamilton – The R/W for SR 129 is still being held in the name of the BCTID. BCTID is working on developing the documents necessary to transfer the properties and the City of Hamilton are in anticipating using quitclaim deeds to transfer the properties.

Park and Ride Property – The potential buyer is going through the due diligence period with a rezoning process.

6. New Business

- A. Resolution 2022-14, a resolution approving and authorizing actions to facilitate depository banking services for the Butler County Transportation Improvement District. Mr. Larry Burks made a motion to approve the Resolution and Mr. Bruce Jones seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, motion carried with each member present separately voting “yes” thereon.

- B. Resolution 2022-15, a resolution authorizing USDOT Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements grant application for the Symmes Road Rail Crossing Elimination Project. Mr. Greg Martin made a motion to approve the Resolution and Mr. Joe McAbee 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

Mr. Luis Rodriguez, Butler County Regional Transit Authority’s new Planning and Special Projects Manager, provided a presentation where he provided the various services BCRTA provides throughout the County and soliciting those in attendance to take a internet survey.

9. Adjournment

Motion made by Mr. Joe McAbee and seconded by Mr. Ben Mann 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 8:56 a.m.

Approved at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Butler County Transportation Improvement District, Warren County, Ohio, this December 5th, 2022.



Presiding Trustee
Butler County Transportation Improvement District

Attest:



Secretary-Treasurer, Greg Wilkens
Butler County Transportation Improvement District

Motion to approve: *Larry Burks*

Seconded by: *Bruce Jones*