

**Butler County Transportation Improvement District
Board of Trustees Meeting
January 9th, 2023, at 8:30 A.M.**

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

A Regular Board Meeting of the Butler County Transportation Improvement District (BCTID) Board of Trustees was called to order by Mr. Michael Dreisbach, 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: Michael Dreisbach, Vice-Chairperson
Larry Burks
Bruce Jones
Laurie Kile
Ben Mann
Greg Martin
Joe McAbee
Eric Pohlman
Cindy Wallace

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

Absent Board Members: Don Hasler, Chairperson
Greg Wilkens, Secretary-Treasurer
Todd Minniear

Other Guests: Rusty Schuermann, BCTID Legal
Keith Smith, ODOT – District 8
Allen Messer, City of Hamilton
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 Shadix, Stantec
Linda Bonham, Bonham Farms

3. Approval of Minutes:

Motion made by Mr. Larry Burks and seconded by Mr. Bruce Jones to approve the minutes of the December 5th, 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. Director's 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 – Two (2) conceptual alternatives are being 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). These two (2) conceptual alternatives will be presented at the Public Involvement meeting which will be held on January 23rd at 5:30 PM at Fairwood Elementary School, 281 N. Fair Avenue, Hamilton, OH 45011.

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, the application received 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. **An application with the same type of request was submitted to Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (CRISI) in December.** Awaiting determination on both applications.

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. **Public sewers cannot be accessed without going through a neighboring property.**

5. New Business

- a. Resolution 2023-01, a Resolution Authorizing LPA Federal Local-Let Project Agreement BUT IR-75 8.50 Millikin Interchange; PID 113647. 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. Park & Ride Property – Discussions and Board Direction. Mr. Corey explained to the Board that during the Buyer’s due diligence period it was determined that the Park & Ride Property did not have access to sewers without obtaining a sewer easement from an adjoining property. Three (3) options were presented that we developed by the Butler County Water and Sewer department. The Buyer expressed he would be interested in absorbing the cost for constructing the necessary sewers if the BCTID would be able to obtain the easement for what was presented as Option 2 – building a force main on the adjoining property to the east. Mr. Corey had reached out the property owner to the east asking if she would be willing to sell an easement to the BCTID. She was willing to entertain an offer from the BCTID. Mr. Corey proposed he obtain a third party opinion on the easement and have an exhibit developed to show how the easement would effect the property to the east. The Board agreed to this being the next steps of the process to sell the Park & Ride Property.

7. Committee Reports

- a. Governance – No report
- b. Public Information – No report
- c. Operations/Human Resources
Committee Chair Michael Dreisbach provided an update on the committee’s discussion regarding the Director compensation. The committee recommends adjusting the Director’s rate of pay to \$75.00 per hour plus employers OPERS contributions (14%) by the BCTID. Mr. Larry Burks motion to approve the Committees Recommendation and Mr. Bruce Jones seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, motion carried with each member present separately voting “yes” thereon.
- d. Finance – No report

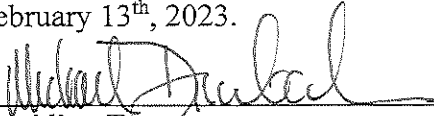
8. Public Comments

Mr. Dreisbach stated the Board has been presented a letter from the Bonham Family regarding the North Hamilton Crossing project and it will be made of record by being included in the Board Meeting Minutes (attached).

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 9:30 a.m.

Approved at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Butler County Transportation Improvement District, Warren County, Ohio, this February 13th, 2023.



Presiding Trustee
Butler County Transportation Improvement District

Attest:



Secretary-Treasurer, Greg Wilkens
Butler County Transportation Improvement District

Motion to approve: Mr. Eric Pahlman

Seconded by: Mr. Greg Wilkens

To Be Presented at the January 2023 TID Meeting

It has come to the attention of the Bonham family that there is incorrect information circulating concerning an agreement involving the North Hamilton Crossing and the Bonham Family.

The Bonham Family would like to correct this information.

Recently there was a meeting with the purpose to present a proposal outlining a possible land swap between the City of Hamilton and the Bonham's. NO Agreement was made.

The Bonham Family still and again expresses they DO NOT want the North Hamilton Crossing to include their prime farmland. Constructing the North Hamilton Crossing through their prime farmland does more than potentially take acres out of agricultural production, it has a profound and costly impact on everything that piece of land has been about for decades. It is disruptive and damaging.

Again we, The Bonham Family, state NO agreement was made and we DO NOT want the North Hamilton Crossing going through our prime farmland.