



DELAWARE COUNTY *Ohio*

TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

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Meeting Minutes March 9, 2022

Meeting Type:
Regular Meeting

Location:
91 North Sandusky Street, Delaware, Ohio, 43015- Hearing Room

Board Members in attendance:
Chris Bauserman, Delaware County Engineer
Tracie Davies, County Administrator
Seiji Kille, Deputy Auditor
Pat Blayney
Tom Price

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Chris Bauserman, at 9:30 AM. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chris Bauserman.

Public Comment:

None.

Approval of the Minutes of the January 11, 2022 Regular Meeting:

A motion was made by Mr. Kille, seconded by Mr. Price to approve the minutes of the January 11, 2022 regular meeting. A voice vote was called. All voted Aye.

Board Member Reports

Mr. Bauserman expressed concerns over pending legislation to repeal the most recent gas tax increase. The money collected by the Federal government doesn't necessarily backfill the shortages on the local level due to funding mechanisms. There is also talk of repealing (for a bit) the Federal gas tax. The Russian/Ukraine conflict has put another stressor on the fuel supply since it was decided to stop the buying of Russian made fuel. With those factors in play, the cost of projects will continue to rise and cause delays in materials which will in turn put another burden on the economy.

Secretary-Treasurer's Report

The balance of the TID bank account is \$6,387,435.61. A motion was made by Mr. Blayney, seconded by Mr. Price to accept the Treasurer's report. A voice vote was called. All voted Aye.

Staff Report:

Monthly Staff Report January to March 2022

Board of Trustees Appointments

As most of you know, Representative Rick Carfagna resigned his seat as 68th District Representative in January to take the position of senior vice president of government affairs with the Ohio Chamber of Commerce. We congratulate Rick and wish him the best in his new position but will miss him as a board member and an advocate for transportation in the House of Representatives.

The DCTID is created and organized with a 7 member board per ORC 5540.02(C)(2), having 1 non-voting member appointed by the Speaker of the House and 1 non-voting member by the President of the Senate. We expect that the Speaker of the House will appoint a replacement for Rick Carfagna once the new 68th District Representative is appointed.

The naming of Mr. Carfagna's replace should happen this afternoon.

Project Updates

1. I-71/US 36/SR 37 PID 90200:

ms consultants continues their work on design of the interchange. Current schedule shows completion of final plans for Phase A in Q3 2023.

Contract amount: \$2,777,387

Estimated TID administrative fee: \$60,548

2. Home Road and Sawmill Parkway Improvements:

Shelly & Sands is ordering preparing for a construction start in spring 2022. Completion scheduled for August 2022.

Contract amount: \$4,106,013.58

Estimated TID administrative fee: \$87,120

ODOT TID Grant Program

As in year's past, ODOT is accepting applications for funding assistance through ODOT's Jobs and Commerce division. The application period is open through March 31. This is advanced 2 months ahead of previous years in an effort to get grant awards issued by July 2022. The maximum award is \$500,000 per project.

DCEO staff has had conversations with City of Delaware engineering staff regarding extension of Sawmill Parkway (known as Phase G) west of its current location west of US 42 to Section Line Road. As reported in the Delaware Gazette, Exxcel Project Management is in contract to develop an 89 acre business park to be named Sawmill Pointe Business Park.

<https://regionalplanning.co.delaware.oh.us/wp-content/uploads/sites/17/2022/02/City-seeks-to-grow-industrial-sector-1.27.22.pdf>

The City has contracted with Burgess & Niple to finalize roadway, sewer and water plans for the extension of Sawmill Parkway to Section Line Road. The project would be developed in 2 phases.

Phase G1 would extend the road about 1600 feet west of Innovation Court to serve a new local road that will go north into the current Wilgus property serving the new 89 acre business park. Estimated total project cost for this phase is around \$6 million.

Phase G2 would include the remaining 2500' extension to Section Line Road at a roundabout at the entrance to the National Lime and Stone quarry entrance. The majority of G2 is outside of the City's corporation limits. The estimated total project cost for this phase is around \$12 million.

The project is being fast-tracked to meet the development schedule. DCEO has discussed the possibility of assisting the City with a \$500,000 grant request to ODOT's TID grant program toward Phase G1 with an agreement the City will complete plans for Phase G2 and provide additional funding toward that phase. Details of an agreement would still need to be worked out.

DCEO staff requests Board concurrence on an application to ODOT for Phase G1.

April Board Meeting Not Needed

DCEO doesn't anticipate any action items needed in April so if the Board wishes, the April meeting can be cancelled.

The May meeting of each year is the annual organizational meeting where officers will be named for the 2022-23 term and we expect to hold that as scheduled on May 11.

The May meeting will also be our annual organizational meeting.

Mr. Riley also stated with the potential change in funding (gas tax repeals), construction inflation will likely increase for the next 2 to 3 years causing bid amounts to also rise.

ODOT TID Grant Program Update:

The City of Delaware is considering a project from Exxxel Project Management that would develop 89 acres into Sawmill Pointe Business Park and extend Sawmill Parkway (that now ends at US 42) to Section Line Road. The proposed project could potentially go to bid in May/June 2022, start in August 2022 and be finished by winter of 2022.

Mr. Bauserman stated he has approved the City of Delaware with the idea of that project going to the TID to apply for the ODOT TID Grant. Mr. Bauserman feels this project would be a strong candidate for funding.

A motion was made by Mr. Price, seconded by Mr. Kille to approve the engagement with the City of Delaware to make an application for the ODOT TID Grant. A voice vote called. All voted Aye.

New project discussion:

Mr. Bauserman asked the Board to start thinking of ways to focus funding from being subsidized by the County to more a fee based funding mechanism. That may include smaller projects with the townships. Although ARPA funds were set aside for townships in Ohio, Delaware County townships were put at a disadvantage due to economic status as a whole.

Cancelling April 13, 2022 meeting:

A motion was made from Mr. Price, seconded by Mrs. Davies to cancel the April 13, 2022 meeting. A voice vote was called. All voted Aye.

Other business:

None.

The meeting adjourned at 10:11 AM.

Minutes by: Dinovo

Board Approval of Minutes:

05.11.2022

Date



Si Kille, Secretary Treasurer