

TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

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Meeting Minutes

Date:

May 14, 2025

Meeting Type:

Organizational Meeting

Location:

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

Board Members in attendance:

Chris Bauserman, Delaware County Engineer Seiji Kille, Deputy Auditor Tracie Davies, County Administrator Pat Blayney Tom Price

Call to Order:

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

Public Comment:

There was no public comment.

Approval of Minutes of the March 12, 2025 Regular Meeting.

A motion made by Mr. Price and seconded by Mr. Blayney to approve the March 12, 2025 minutes. A voice vote was called. All voted in favor.

Board Reports:

Mr. Bauserman had nothing to report.

Secretary- Treasurer's Report:

Mr. Kille went over the balance for TID, there's a cash balance of \$3,606,273.31.

A motion made to accept the Treasurer's Report by Mr. Blayney and seconded by Mrs. Davies. A voice vote was called. All voted in favor.

Election of Officers:

A motion was made by Mr. Price and seconded by Mr. Blayney to retain the same Officers as previous year. A voice vote was called. All voted Aye.

- a. Chairperson Chris Bauserman
- b. Vice Chairperson Tracie Davies
- c. Secretary / Treasurer Seiji Kille



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PROJECT UPDATES

1. Silicon Heartland Regional Projects:

EMH&T has completed plans for the intersections of Delaware-Licking County Line at Fancher Road and at Center Village Road. DCEO has delivered offers to purchase the needed right of way and is actively negotiating with property owners. Construction contract bidding and award by the TID is on schedule for fall 2025. Construction will most likely happen between April and August 2026.

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

Bids for the construction contract for Phase A were opened 5/1/2025. The low bidder was Miller Bros Construction with a price of \$31,947,912.56, which was 25.4% under the State Estimate of \$42,800,000. of filed in fall 2024 with ODOT.

Right of way plans for Phase B are scheduled to be submitted within the next 2 months with construction commencing late 2026 or 2027 with an estimated construction duration of about 8 months. Phase C will trail Phase B by 12 to 24 months due to the additional complexity of the design, and due to more extensive acquisition of property. Phase C is tentatively scheduled for construction starting in 2028 or 2029.

3. Orange Road Railroad Grade Separation:

Delaware County staff received notification of approval of the grant application for \$21 million through the US DOT's Rail Crossing Elimination (RCE) Program in January. The grant agreement has not yet been issued by the US DOT.

The Ohio Rail Development Commission has also approved a \$5 million grant through the State of Ohio's Grade Crossing Elimination (GCE) Program. In addition, MORPC has already committed \$8.3 million toward this project through MORPC-attributable federal transportation funds. The current estimated construction cost for this project is \$35-40 million.

Railroad approvals of the plans are still in progress, though moving very slowly due to very long response times by Norfolk and Southern Railroad. DCEO is targeting construction start in late 2027 or 2028, but this is entirely subject to receipt of railroad approvals.

4. Bale Kenyon Road, Phase 2:

This project is being developed by Orange Township and includes reconstruction of Bale Kenyon Road from Powell Road to just north of Pine Ridge Drive (0.30 mile project length). The project has been discussed previously and the Board was supportive of providing a \$750,000 grant to Orange Township to assist with the construction cost of this project, which is estimated at \$3,728,000.

As of May 9, 2025 this construction contract is currently out for bids. Bid award is planned for June 2025. A Project Agreement is presented for the Board's consideration as Resolution 2024-02.

5. Stockwell Road Improvements. As discussed at the September and January meetings, DCEO has worked with Berkshire, Kingston, Porter, and Trenton Townships on a joint project to rebuild a steep hill on Stockwell Road which has very limited sight distance. The construction contract would be held by the DCTID with contributions by each township collected at the end of the project. The Project Agreement is presented for the Board's consideration as Resolution 2024–03. Construction is planned for summer 2026.



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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

Resolution 2025-02 – Approving a Project Agreement for the Bale Kenyon Road, Phase 2 Improvements

A motion made by Mr. Blayney and seconded by Mrs. Davies, to approve Resolution 2025-02. A voice vote was called. All voted Aye.

Resolution 2025-03 - Approving a project Agreement for the Stockwell Road Improvements.

A motion was made by Mr. Price and seconded by Mrs. Davies to approve Resolution No. 25025-4. A voice vote was called. All voted Aye.

Other business:

Mrs. Davies noted that change in the Ohio Revised Code now permits opportunity to work with Legal Counsel.

Mr. Riley noted that no new or outstanding items are pending that will require a June 11, 2025 meeting.

Adjourn:

Meeting was adjourned at 9:53 a.m.

Minutes submitted by Brandy Wilson

Approval of minutes:

Seiji Kille, Secretary-Treasurer

08.13.2025

Date