



## SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION

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### MINUTES TRANSIT OPERATORS COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: December 7, 2016  
Location: Two Chatham Center  
112 Washington Place  
Pittsburgh, PA

Attendance:

Members: Alan Blahovec, WCTA (Vice-Chairman)  
David Wohlwill, PAAC  
Lisa Kay Schweyer, CommuteInfo  
Patti Lynn Baker, MDCO  
Amy Mathiesson, ACTA  
Lucinda Beattie, PDP  
Donna Weckoski, MMVTA  
John Paul, BTA  
Ray McDonald, FACT  
Sheila Gombita, WASH  
Mavis Rainey, OTMA

Guests: Cathy Williams, ACCESS  
Robert Genter, Mackin  
Derald Dudley, US DOT  
Dennis Puko, Penna. DCED

SPC Staff: Tom Klevan  
Doug Smith  
Chuck Imbrogno  
David Totten  
Leann Chaney  
Kathy Stefani

This meeting of the TOC was called to order at 10:00 A.M.

1. **Welcome and Introductions**
2. **Public Comment –**  
*There was no public comment.*
3. **Approval of Meeting Minutes for the September 14<sup>th</sup> Transit Operators Committee**
  - *The Committee considered the minutes from the September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016 TOC meeting.*  
**Action:** *Minutes of the September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016 meeting of SPC's Transit Operators was unanimously approved on a motion by Alan Blahovec and a second by Sheila Gombita.*
4. **FTA/PennDOT Update**

- National Transit Map Project—Derald Dudley from the US Department of Transportation’s Bureau of Transportation Statistics updated the TOC on the ongoing project, requested by Congress in MAP-21, to create an online map of the nation’s public transit network. US DOT’s goal is to build a map showing routes and schedules of every transit operator. This is done by accessing GTFS files. Currently, BCTA and Port Authority of Allegheny County are actively participating in the project. The TOC asked SPC staff to research how the other member fixed route operators can use their GTFS data to join the project.
- PennDOT Planning Partners Meeting Conference Call—SPC extended an invitation from PennDOT for interested TOC members to participate in a Planning Partners Meeting conference call on December 8<sup>th</sup> at 1pm. SPC will host this call for the convenience of participants. The call will focus on guidance for the next TIP update, supplemental funding and other issues.

## 5. Meeting Participant Updates

*There were no member updates.*

## 6. Staff Updates

- FFY 2016 Annual Listing of Obligated Transit Projects—Staff reminded the TOC members to expect an email from SPC requesting their assistance in compiling the Annual Listing of Obligated Transit Projects. This report is a federally required document.

*There were no other staff updates.*

## 7. Amendments and Administrative Actions to the FFY2017-2020 TIP

- *Butler Transit Authority* requested that the project “Computer Upgrades” (MPMS# 107896) be added to the FFY2017-2020 TIP to purchase a new computer server and PC’s for BTA staff to replace existing computers that have exceeded their useful life with \$25,962 in federal 5311 funding, \$6,281 in state 339 funding and \$209 in local funding in FY2017. **TOTAL CHANGE: \$32,452**

*Action: These actions were unanimously approved and the appropriate changes were made to the region’s FFY2017-2020 TIP by the TOC on a motion by Gombita and a second by Blahovec. Staff will transmit this project information to the PennDOT Program Center within one week of this action.*

- *Mid Mon Valley Transit Authority* requested an administrative adjustment to the project “Facility Improvements” (MPMS# 106643) to add \$10,000 in local funding in FY2017 to make immediate improvements to MMVTA’s administrative facility’s HVAC system. **TOTAL CHANGE: \$10,000**  
Also, *MMVTA* requested that the FFY2017-2020 TIP be amended to add the project “Bus Maintenance Facility” (MPMS# 95317) to renovate the Donora bus storage facility to accommodate bus storage, administrative support and customer utilization with \$320,000 in federal 5307 funding and \$80,000 in non-federal/local funding in FY2017. **TOTAL CHANGE: \$400,000**  
Also, *MMVTA* requested that the project “Extended Warranty” (MPMS# 107897) be added to the FFY2017-2020 TIP to purchase an extended warranty plan on the ConnectCard fare collection system with \$144,208 in federal 5307 funding and \$36,052 in local funding. **TOTAL CHANGE: \$180,260**

*Action: These actions were unanimously approved and the appropriate changes were made to the region's FFY2017-2020 TIP by the TOC on a motion Blahovec and a second by Lucinda Beattie. Staff will transmit this project information to the PennDOT Program Center within one week of this action.*

*There were no other TIP actions requested.*

**8. Informational Session with SPC's Active Transportation Forum**

- The TOC shared a number of presentations in partnership with the SPC Active Transportation Forum, including:
  - Municipal Assistance Program overview from DCED Planning Program Manager Dennis Puko.
  - Funding availability overview on TAP, PennDOT Multimodal Transportatin Fund and DCNR Community Conservation Partnerships Program.
  - SPC Transportation Director Doug Smith announced SPC's plan for a Regional Active Transportation Plan project.

**9. Other Business**

- *The next meeting of the TOC is scheduled for Wednesday, February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at the Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission, in Pittsburgh, PA.*

**10. Adjournment**

*Action: The Meeting was adjourned by a unanimous vote on a motion by Gombita and a second by David Wohlwill.*