



City of Coeur d' Alene
City of Post Falls
City of Hayden
City of Rathdrum
Coeur d' Alene Tribe
East Side Highway District
Idaho Transportation Department
Kootenai County, Idaho
Lakes Highway District
Post Falls Highway District
Worley Highway District

Cooperatively Developing a Transportation System for all of Kootenai County, Idaho

KMPO Board Meeting

July 8, 2021 1:30 pm

Post Falls City Council Chambers, Post Falls City Hall, 1st Floor
408 N. Spokane Street, Post Falls, Idaho

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order – Lynn Borders, Chair**
- 2. Changes to the Agenda and Declarations of Conflicts of Interest – Action Item**
- 3. Approval of May 13, 2021 Meeting Minutes – Action Item**
- 4. Public Comments** (limited to non-agenda items 3 minutes)
- 5. KCATT Recap & Recommendations – Chris Bosley**
 - a. Recap of Activities – May/June 2021
- 6. Administrative Matters**
 - a. May 2021 KMPO Expenditure – **Action Item**
 - b. June 2021 KMPO Expenditures & Financial Report – **Action Item**
 - c. KMPO Draft 2022 Budget – **Action Item**
 - d. KMPO 2021-2027 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment Requests - **Review**
 1. # 9 ITD Request to Advance Project
 2. #10 Kootenai County Request to Add Previously Programmed FTA Section 5307 Funding
 3. #11 ITD Request to Add/Amend Various Projects
 4. #12 ITD/LHTAC Request to Add/Amend Various Projects
- 7. Other Business**
 - a. Huetter Corridor North Alignment Update – **Action Item**
- 8. Public Transportation (Informational Items Provided to KMPO)**

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 - a. Kootenai County Transit Report – Amber Conklin/Chad Ingle
 - b. Coeur d Alene Tribe Rural Transit Report – Alan Eirls
- 9. Director's Report** (written report included in Board packet)
- 10. Board Member Comments**
- 11. Next Meeting – August 12, 2021**
- 12. Adjournment**

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MEETING MINUTES

Kootenai Metropolitan Planning Organization
Regular Board Meeting
July 8, 2021
Post Falls City Council Chambers, Post Falls City Hall, 1st Floor
408 N. Spokane Street, Post Falls, Idaho

Board Members in Attendance:

Lynn Borders, Chair	City of Post Falls
Rod Twete, Vice Chair	Lakes Highway District
Leslie Duncan	Kootenai County
Graham Christensen	East Side Highway District
Jeff Tyler	Post Falls Highway District
Corinne Johnson	Worley Highway District
Jim Kackman	Coeur d'Alene Tribe
Jeri DeLange	City of Hayden
Damon Allen	Idaho Transportation Department, District 1
Dan Gookin	City of Coeur d'Alene

Board Members Absent:

Darrell Rickard	City of Rathdrum
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Staff Present:

Glenn Miles	Executive Director
Ali Marienau	Transportation Planner
Kelly Lund	Executive Secretary

Attendees:

Donna Montgomery	KMPO Volunteer
Monty Montgomery	Lakes Highway District
Jody Bieze	Kootenai County
Kevin Howard	Worley Highway District
Kevin Aardahl	All West Testing
Martin Whelshula	Coeur d'Alene Tribe
Alan Eirls	Coeur d'Alene Tribe

1. Call to Order – Lynn Borders, Chair

The regular meeting of the Kootenai Metropolitan Planning Organization Policy Board was called to order by Chair Lynn Borders at 1:30 p.m.

2. Changes to the Agenda and Declarations of Conflicts of Interest – Action Item

There were no changes to the agenda or declarations of conflicts of interest.

3. Approval of May 13, 2021 Meeting Minutes – Action Item

Mr. Jim Kackman moved to approve the May 13, 2021 meeting minutes as submitted. Vice Chair Rod Twete seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

4. Public Comments (limited to non-agenda items 3 minutes)

There were no public comments.

5. KCATT Recap & Recommendations – Chris Bosley

- a. Recap of Activities – May/June 2021

KCATT Chair Chris Bosley provided a recap of the May and June committee meetings noting project updates – US-95 turn bay extensions, planned I-90 bridge work, the SH-41 widening project, and downtown Coeur d’Alene signal update project.

Ms. Corinne Johnson arrived at 1:33 p.m.

6. Administrative Matters

- a. May 2021 KMPO Expenditures – **Action Item**
- b. June 2021 KMPO Expenditures & Financial Report – **Action Item**

Mr. Jim Kackman moved to approve the expenditures for May and June of 2021. Ms. Corinne Johnson seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

- c. KMPO Draft 2022 Budget – **Action Item**

Mr. Miles noted the draft FY 22 budget included a recap of the FY 21 budget, which was abnormally high due to the Ruen-Yeager and DOWL contracts. The FY 22 budget reflects anticipated expenditures; an increase of 2.5% is proposed for wages and salaries. Mr. Miles asked that the Board consider the FY 22 Budget and revised FY 21 Budget, which has been reconciled to reflect actual expenditures.

Vice Chair Twete moved to approve the FY 2022 Budget as presented. Mr. Jim Kackman seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

- d. KMPO 2021-2027 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment Requests - Review
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Mr. Miles commented on KMPO TIP 2021-2027 Amendments 9-12; no action was required.

Ms. Jeri DeLange arrived at 1:38 p.m.

7. Other Business

- a. Huetter Corridor North Alignment Update – **Action Item**

Mr. Miles noted the Board packet included extensive detail on the Huetter Corridor alignment update. The original 2009 Study, alternative corridor options, and the recent multi-million single-point urban interchange (SPUI) project at US-95/SH-53 were discussed. The consultant, Ruen-Yeager, was asked to provide exhibits showing a reduced corridor footprint with SPUI or tight diamond interchange configurations and the alternative alignment option in the vicinity of Boekel Road. Although the Notice of Opportunity for Public Comment published in the Coeur d’Alene Press generated several comments regarding the corridor in general, this update specifically addresses the realignment of the northern portion of the previously adopted alignment from Wyoming Avenue to Boekel Road. KCATT recommended approval of the realignment update last month.

Ms. Jeri DeLange moved to approve the Huetter Corridor north alignment update. Vice Chair Twete seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Mr. Miles said the project will now transition from a planning project into ITD's Preliminary Development program; the environmental phase of the project has been funded by the ITD Board. Comments received during the 30-day public comment period have been forwarded to ITD; those who provided input on the Huetter Corridor in general, will have another opportunity to become engaged and have their concerns addressed during the environmental process.

8. Public Transportation (Informational Items Provided to KMPO)

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a. Kootenai County Transit Report – Amber Conklin/Chad Ingle

Ms. Jody Bieze provided and reviewed the Monthly Report and Updates. Fixed-route/demand response ridership and on-time performance were noted. The new buses are now in service. An update on the Integrated Mobility Innovation (IMI) project was provided; they would like to present a live-experience demo to KCATT and the KMPO Board in September. Project updates included the Riverstone Transit Center Phase II, bus stop improvements, and the continuation of updates to the ADA Transition, Human Service Transportation, and Strategic Service Plans.

b. Coeur d' Alene Tribe Rural Transit Report – Alan Eirls

Mr. Eirls reported that they had some deer/elk strikes but no vehicle-related accidents. The use of Tribal Transit funding revenues was noted. Two new buses are expected to be received by the end of July. Although they are experiencing a bus driver shortage, they have been able to keep their commitments with the support of their staff; two new drivers were hired this week. They have discussed the possibility of increasing bus driver wages to \$18.00 an hour. The federal mask mandate, which requires the wearing of masks on federally funded buses, is creating an issue for passengers. Mr. Eirls is working with a federal Tribal liaison in Washington DC and hoping to resolve the matter this month.

9. Director's Report (written report included in Board packet)

Mr. Miles noted the Urban Balancing committee met this morning to address Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)/Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funds. The City of Post Falls was granted \$57,000 to cover a funding gap for preliminary engineering and design on their Chase Avenue railroad crossing project. The committee also worked on the End-of-the-Year Program and has added the Ramsey Road extension project funding for right-of-way. The Program and redistribution occur in the August and early September timeframe.

10. Board Member Comments

No Board member comments were provided.

11. Next Meeting – August 12, 2021

12. Adjournment

Mr. Jim Kackman moved to adjourn the July 8, 2021 meeting. Mr. Rod Twete seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The regular meeting was adjourned at 1:54 p.m.

Signature on File

Recording Secretary