

**Region 10
RTAC Meeting
April 5, 2023
Via Zoom**

The following members participated:

Brad Freidhof, Johnson County
Matt Amelon, Iowa County
Nick Amelon, Iowa County
Zach Rozmus, Washington County
Brad Mormann, Jones County
Randy Burke, Linn County
Ted Doscher, Linn County
Richard Young, Washington County – by phone
Mike Dauber, Cedar County
Richard Young, Washington County
Rob Fangmann, Cedar County

Members Absent:

Randy Scheel, Benton County
Becky Soglin, Johnson County
Mark Pigenot, Benton County
Lisa McQuillen, Jones County

Staff present:

Mary Rump
Justice Inkoom

Others participating:

None

1.0 Call to Order

Mormann called the meeting to order at 1:31.

2.1 Approval of Agenda

M/S/C (Freidhof, Burke) to approve the agenda as amended. All ayes.

2.2 Approval of Minutes:

M/S/C (Rozmus, Fangmann) to approve meeting minutes. All ayes.

2.3 Public Comment:

None

3.1 Update on TAP Program

Rump provided an update on the TAP program delays. She indicated that the FY 2024-2027 TAP application cycle was delayed while Iowa DOT confirmed details of the statewide process with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). It's been indicated that RPAs will be given the go ahead from Iowa DOT to solicit applications in the next couple of weeks. Rump suggested waiting until the next application cycle to reopen the regional TAP program, since it will be nearly impossible to notify all cities and counties that the application cycle is open and complete the review and approval process prior to July 15. The committee concurred with staff's suggestion.

3.2 Active Transportation Plan Process

Based on regional interest received during the Envision East Central Iowa and long range transportation plan processes, staff has begun work on an active transportation plan. A project site has been created on ECICOG's Talk to ECICOG website. A survey and mapping exercise can be accessed on the site, as well as information about draft chapters and meeting dates. Inkoom provided an overview of the project site.

Rump noted that a variety of public input opportunities are planned, including meetings with Hometown Pride communities, 3 cities with comp planning efforts underway, and a strategic planning subcommittee of the Envision East Central Iowa process. She asked for assistance from the committee meetings to schedule additional county-wide meetings.

Rump and Inkoom will also schedule meetings with committee members to discuss local priorities. She also asked for continued assistance to get the word out to local stakeholders, and noted that the committee will also assist with reviewing input, analysis, and draft plan materials.

Friedhof asked if flyers could be created with QR codes to access the survey and plan info. If so, he'll make them available locally and at area trails. Burke asked for pdfs of the materials. The materials can also be used on committee members' social media sites. Mormann mentioned that DNR had requested asset information from each conservation office and that it should be available on the DNR's website April 1. He will forward the DNR's contact information to staff.

3.3 Election of Officers

M/S/C (Mormann, Burke) to nominate and elect Freidhof to serve as chair. All ayes.

M/S/C (Freidhof, Burke) to nominate and elect Rozmus to serve as vice-chair. All ayes.

4.0 Old Business

None

5.0 Adjournment and Set Next Meeting Date

Rump will send out a poll to schedule regular committee meetings for the year. M/S/C (Burke, Mormann) to adjourn the meeting at 2:25 PM. All ayes