



IRON COUNTY RURAL PLANNING ORGANIZATION

ICRTEC CHAIR—MAYOR Geoffrey Chesnut • ICRTAC CHAIR—Rob Dotson • TRANS. PLANNING DIRECTOR—Myron Lee

MINUTES

Rural Transportation Executive Council (RTEC)

Jan. 4, 2023, 2:00 p.m.

(Begins after the ICCO Meeting)

Kanarraville Town Offices

40 South Main Street

Kanarraville, UT

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Commissioner Marilyn Wood
Mayor Mollie Halterman
Mayor Garth O. Green
Mayor Geoffrey Chesnut
Mayor Betty Gould
Mayor Clayton Calloway

REPRESENTING:

Iron County
Parowan
Cedar City
Enoch City
Kanarraville Town
Brian Head Town

MEMBERS EXCUSED:

Mayor Todd Robinson

REPRESENTING:

Paragonah Town

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Commissioner Paul Cozzens
Dave Demas
Nate Wiberg
Rob Dotson
Reed Erickson
Chris Hall
Paul Bittmenn
Bret Houser
Cindy Bulloch
Kendal Allen

REPRESENTING:

Iron County
FCAOG
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Enoch City
Iron County
UDOT
Cedar City
Brian Head
Congressman Chris Stewart's office
Iron County

I. Quorum Declaration

Mayor Geoffrey Chesnut welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order and declared that a quorum was present to conduct business.

II. Approve Minutes for a Nov 2, 2022

Mayor Chesnut presented minutes for the Nov. 2, 2022, meeting for discussion and consideration of adoption.



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A motion made by Mayor Clayton Calloway to approve the Nov. 2, 2022, minutes as presented, seconded by Commissioner Marilyn Wood to approve the minutes of the Nov. 2, 2022, meeting as presented. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

III. Transportation Priority List – Amendment (23-1)

A. TPL Discussion

Dave introduced the Transportation Priority List (TPL) and passed out a copy to all present. This is an amendment, he explained. There were a few small items that needed correcting. Dave reviewed each of the needed corrections. These items were noted in red on the spread sheet. The most important item was on project C25. Dave noted that it was his mistake in that this item was to be a Phase 1 project but instead he had noted it as Phase 2. It was brought to his attention by Jonathan Stathis, of Cedar, noting the needed correction.

During the discussion, Mr. Chris Hall requested of the RPO that the group prioritize those items in Phase 1 (General) that could be TIF funded. He was asking for the top 3 or top 5 projects to be noted. Dave clarified that UDOT was only asking for Phase 1 General projects. Chris agreed. Chris also asked for this information by the first part of February. To better understand UDOT's needs, Dave asked for a separate conversation with Chris to clarify what is being asked.

B. TPL Approval.

A motion was made by Mayor Clayton Calloway to approve the Transportation Priority List Amendment (23-1) as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Marilyn Wood. All voted in favor of the motion.

IV. ICCOG Project List

A. Discussion

Dave began the discussion by passing out the list of projects to be considered for placement on the COG project list. Dave and Reed gave a brief update on what the COG project list is and what it is used for. Dave explained that just over 10 years ago the state legislature gave the County the authority to implement a \$10 license registration fee on all vehicles registered in Iron Count. The purpose of the funds collected is to develop a corridor preservation fund whereby local entities could use the monies to acquire needed right of way for future planned roadways. By doing so, helps protect the corridors and acquires the right of way at a lower cost. He explained that a portion of the funds collected can be used for transportation planning. It is this funding source that funds the ICRPO. Dave explained how the ICRPO, ICCOG and the County Commission work together to approve this list. He noted that the list can only be updated once per calendar year. Dave explained the process that the RTAC goes through in developing the



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list. Reed then talked about the fund and noted that the current balance of the fund is over \$5M and that the fund currently generates around \$500,000 per year. Reed noted that the county is updating the policy and the application process to use the funds. Dave noted that every project on the COG list is a project on the TPL list with the exception of #11, an Enoch project. Mr. Green asked how project dollar amount of the lists are developed. Paul Bittmenn noted that this COG fund is only for right of way; dollar amounts are obtained by appraisals. Several members explained the use of the fund and how it has worked in the past.

B. ICCOG Project List Approval

A motion was made by Mayor Clayton Calloway to approve the ICCOG Project List, as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Marilyn Wood. All voted in favor of the motion.

V. Project and Study Updates

- A. Cedar Belt Route Access management. Reed noted that Iron County contracted with Kimley Horn to begin the process of developing the scope and moving forward with the study. Initial meetings have taken place but the study is in its infancy.
- B. County Transportation Plan. Reed explained that during the process of developing the County Transportation Plan it was decided to break it into 9 different areas to help make the work a bit easier. There will be a map placed online to show the different areas. They will have different area groups to be each Planning Commission meeting to function as a public hearing on a specific area. Each Planning Commission will be an open house for a different area of the overall map. This process is used instead of waiting until the end to have a large meeting; this series of smaller meetings should work better with the engagement of the residents. They are also coordinating with each of the governmental entities to include any new plans developed. They are incorporating both roadway location and right of way widths; the county will also develop cross-sections to show what the roads could look like.
- C. Solutions Development Study Paul Bittmenn gave a report on what the study is. It is being developed for both SR-56 and Cedar' Main Street. It initially started as an access management study has been broadened to include a segment to determine what people want for Cedar's Main Street. Chris Hall then explained how part of the Solutions Development Process is to see what the people want Main Street to be.



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VI. UDOT Update

Chris noted that he didn't have a lot to update on construction projects, but he wanted to update on a couple of items. The State is moving forward to get a consultant on board for the South Cedar Interchange Environmental. This will take a couple of months to get through the process. He explained that UDOT is keeping the interchange study separate from the I-15 widening, from MP-56 to the rest area, so the study can move forward. If by chance the Federal Grant for the interchange is successful, then the plan would be to combine the projects so that they can move forward together. Time will tell.

VII. Other Discussion Items

None

VIII. Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for March 1, 2023. Location: Cedar City

IX. Adjourn

A motion was made by Mayor Clayton Calloway, seconded by Commissioner Marilyn Wood, to adjourn. Motion carried by unanimous vote.