Highway 25 Coalition

Agenda

Thursday, December 14, 2017 7:30 AM

North Mississippi Room, Monticello City Hall

- 1. Call to order
- 2. Consideration of adding items to the agenda.
- 3. Consideration of approval of meeting minutes from meeting held August 31, 2017
- 4. Treasurers Report
- 5. Update on Highway 25 Corridor Study
- 6. Corridors for Commerce Program Update
- 7. Transportation and related Economic Development or Land Use Updates
 - A. Becker
 - B. Becker Township
 - C. Big Lake
 - D. Big Lake Township (Fiscal Agent)
 - E. Monticello
 - F. Sherburne County
 - G. Wright County
- **8.** I94 Coalition Update
- 9. Transportation Alliance
- **10.** Legislative Updates
- 11. Other
- 12. Adjourn

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Meeting Minutes – August 31, 2017 7:30 AM Monticello Community Center – North Mississippi Room

Members Present - **Big Lake Township** – Larry Alfords; **Sherburne County** – Dan Weber, Steve Taylor, and Andrew Witter; **City of Becker** – Tracy Bertram, Greg Pruszinske, and Rick Hendrickson; **Becker Township** – Brian Kolbinger; **City of Big Lake** – Raeanne Danielowski, Clay Wilfahrt, and Hannah Klimmek; **City of Monticello** – Jeff O'Neill; and **Wright County** – Virgil Hawkins and Mike Potter

Others Present: MnDOT - Claudia Dumont; Chuck Rickart, WSB; and Josh Maus, SRF

1. Call to order.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 a.m.

2. Consideration of approval of meeting minutes from meeting July 27, 2017.

Tracy Bertram mentioned that under item #7, Becker Township was reported twice. The second reference to Becker Township should be amended to City of Becker. Motion by Tracy Bertram, seconded by Raeanne Danielowski, to approve the meeting minutes as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Update on Highway 25 Corridor Study

Josh Maus, SRF, provided a powerpoint presentation outlining the work and findings of the Highway 25 Corridor Study. His presentation included description of the study area, review of study goals and identification of key tasks that have been completed and those that remain. These included a review of the Origin and Destination Study, Purpose and Need Statement, concept development and analysis, public outreach, implementation plan, and the coalition's work plan. A brief question and answer session ensued.

4. Update on Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) Program

Dan Weber presented the draft CEDS plan and noted that it was just released. He will send a link to coalition members for there is a 30 day comment period, which has commenced. Mr. Weber encouraged members to review the report and provide comments as desired.

5. Update on Rail Impact Study

Dan Weber noted that a rail impact study has been funding will commence soon.

6. Transportation and related Economic Development or Land Use Updates

- **Becker** Transportation plan and other planning activities ongoing.
- **Becker Township** None.

- **Big Lake** Residential development proceeding along with rapid development on the south side of town. School facility projects are complete. Remmele is under construction.
- **Big Lake Township** Residential growth is occurring. They provided the coalition's current financial report.
- **Monticello** A review of residential growth was provided. It looks like around 50 new homes will be developed. The Small Area Study is near completion. A new auto dealership is looking at Monticello. 24 lot Featherstone project is moving forward and there is some interest in new subdivision development in 2018.
- Sherburne County Growth is occurring. The County is focusing on enhancing communication with citizens via a communications page. The branding process is in progress and will feature a new logo and website. The county is holding a legislative priority meeting in late December. The goal is to convey the county's priorities to local legislators in advance of the legislative session. The Highway 25 Coalition will be asked to assist in setting and communication transportation related priorities.
- Wright County The sales tax was approved for needed improvements. The public works facility is complete. The courthouse is planned for an update with the county provided the resources to complete the project. The Sony-themed amusement park is still in process.

7. *I-94 Update*

Claudia Dumont reported on the potential improvement between Crow River Bridge and St. Cloud. There is support for additional lane development along this segment of I-94. It is unknown when this improvement may occur.

8. Legislative Updates

None.

9. Adjourn.

There being no further discussion, there was a motion by Rick Hendrickson, seconded by Raeanne Danielowski, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.