

Highway 25 Coalition

Agenda

Thursday, January 25, 2018

7:30 AM

North Mississippi Room, Monticello City Hall

1. Call to order
2. ELECTION OF OFFICERS – Chair, Vice-Chair, and Secretary
3. Consideration of approval of meeting minutes from meeting held December 14, 2017
4. Treasurers Report – Big Lake Township
5. Highway 25 Corridor Study (Josh Maus, SRF)
 - A. Review of Work Completed to Date
 - B. Potential TH 10/CSAH 11 Improvement
 - i. Corridors of Commerce Eligible
 - C. Upcoming Home House
 - i. Date/Time/Location
 - ii. Advertisement Process
 - iii. Style of Meeting
 - iv. Draft Materials for Review/Comment
 - D. Next Steps
 - i. Discuss Public Comments with Study Team
 - ii. Secondary Evaluation
 - iii. Recommendations
 - iv. Implementation Plan
 - v. Second Open House
6. Consideration of Authorizing Preparation of Application for Corridors for Commerce Program for improvements to the CSAH 11/Highway 10 Intersection.
7. Transportation and related Economic Development or Land Use Updates
 - A. Becker
 - B. Becker Township
 - C. Big Lake
 - D. Big Lake Township
 - E. Monticello
 - F. Sherburne County
 - G. Wright County

8. I94 Coalition Update – Legislative Preview Breakfast on February 16, 2018 (attached)
9. Transportation Alliance – Day at the Capital – March 7, 2018 – (attached)
10. Other
11. Adjourn

I94 West Corridor Coalition Legislative Preview Breakfast

When

Friday, February 16, 2018 from
8:00 AM to 9:30 AM CST

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The I-94 West Corridor Coalition would like to extend an invitation to attend our Legislative Preview event.

This annual event allows for coalition supporters to directly engage with transportation leaders, hear legislators' perspectives, and learn about the I-94 West Corridor Coalition's priorities.

Where

Rogers Community Center

21201 Memorial Drive
Rogers, MN 55374



[Driving Directions](#)

We experienced major success over the past years with the opening of additional lanes between Highway 101 in Rogers and Highway 241 in St. Michael, which included a 55% reduction in total travel time and the completion of nearly 3 million square feet of industrial development in the region. We hope to continue making lane capacity expansion improvements onto St. Cloud and complete the Brockton/610 Interchange with your help and the help of our supporters.

2018 will be an exciting year for the Coalition! During the 2017 legislative session, the legislature added an additional \$300 million in trunk highway bonds spread over four years and \$25 million per year in cash to the Corridors of Commerce program. In response, MnDOT decided to select \$400 million of projects in the next round of Corridors of Commerce funding. The I-94 West Corridor Coalition intends to submit our eligible priority projects, the I-94 capacity expansion from St. Michael to Albertville, 610 Interchange and Brockton Interchange, for the Corridors of Commerce funding selection which would greatly increase capacity and reduce congestion along the I-94 Corridor.

We are hoping that you are able to join us for our Legislative Preview event.

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Transportation Day at the Capitol

March 7th

Best Western Capitol Ridge
161 St Anthony Ave, St Paul, MN 55103
9:30 AM - 2:30 PM
Members - \$90; Non Members \$115

SPECIAL DISCOUNT: \$80 for 2 or more people from your organization

Hear from key legislators, MnDOT, the Met Council, Transportation leaders and meet directly with your legislators.

We will make appointments for you to meet with your legislators.

Transportation Day is a great opportunity for networking with people from all areas of transportation: local government, contractors, consultants, suppliers, labor, transit and business.

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[03/07 08:00am 2018 Transportation Day at the Capitol](#)

Speakers, attendees and meetings at the Capitol make for a perfect day!



*MnDOT Commissioner Zelle and
Ryan Daniel, Metro Bus*



*Tom Perrier, Ryan Pecinovsky and
Richard Dushaw, North Central States
Regional Council of Carpenters*

Highway 25 Coalition
Meeting Minutes – December 14, 2017
7:30 AM
Monticello Community Center – North Mississippi Room

Members Present - **Sherburne County** – Tim Dolan, Dan Weber, and Andrew Witter; **City of Becker** – Tracy Bertram; **Becker Township** – Brian Kolbinger; **City of Big Lake** – Clay Wilfahrt, Layne Otteson, and Hannah Klimmek; **City of Monticello** – Jeff O’Neill and Jennifer Schreiber; and **Wright County** –Darek Vetsch

Others Present: Stacy Morse, Tom Emmer’s Office

1. Call to order.

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

2. Consideration of approval of meeting minutes from meeting August 31, 2017.

Motion by Tim Dolan, seconded by Tracy Bertram, to approve the meeting minutes as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Treasurer’s Report

None given.

4. Update on Highway 25 Corridor Study

Andrew Witter provided an update. The group has developed a revised purpose and needs statement; an environmental document; and a public involvement plan. There is continued discussion on narrowing down of the evaluation criteria. The next meeting of the group is January 10, 2018, when more in depth review of alternatives will be discussed. Mr. Witter also mentioned the public informational aspect of the study which includes an open house, social media, signage, etc.

5. Corridors of Commerce Program Update

Jeff O’Neill provided an update and noted that the group should consider soon a request for funding. There was some discussion centered on the need for project identification and the fact that this is a valuable program to fund larger regional projects. Andrew Witter commented that perhaps a resolution could be developed in support for Corridors of Commerce funds for future needs.

6. Transportation and related Economic Development or Land Use Updates

- **Becker** – 2018 should be a positive year with lots of activity.
- **Becker Township** – None.
- **Big Lake** – There was significant housing growth in 2017.
- **Big Lake Township** – None.

- **Monticello** – The City is in process of land acquisition for the Fallon Avenue Overpass project which will begin in 2018. There is a subdivision scheduled for development in 2018. Monticello is low on industrial property. The City is also looking at hiring a full-time Deputy Fire Chief in 2018.
- **Sherburne County** – The County is holding a legislative meeting on January 4. The Council is in the process of rebranding; updating their website; MN freight program; and their long range transportation plan. They are also seeking a broadband grant.
- **Wright County** – The new courthouse building should be completed around September/October 2019. A space study of the current building is being conducted.

7. I-94 Update

Update on Corridors of Commerce and explanation of how scoring is implemented.

There was discussion of the group in regard to the Transportation Alliance and whether the coalition should be a member. It was noted that there may be redundancy due to the fact that both counties are members. In addition, cities are supported through the League of MN Cities. This topic may be brought back for further discussion.

8. Legislative Updates

Stacy Morse provided an update on potential infrastructure funding. More information on the President's infrastructure bill will be provided in January.

9. Adjourn.

There being no further discussion, there was a motion by Tim Dolan, seconded by Darek Vetsch, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.