

**Transportation Resource Oversight Committee Meeting**  
**LaPorte County**  
**Tuesday, November 1, 2022**  
**Minutes**

Charles Bradsky called the meeting to order at 1:06 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was streamed live on YouTube. In attendance were Mitch Bishop (LaPorte County Government), Jerry Sullivan (LaPorte County), Robin Tillman (Michigan City), and Beth West (City of LaPorte).

NIRPC staff included Charles Bradsky, Kevin Polette, and Candice Eklund.

**Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the August 16, 2022, TROC meeting minutes were approved on motion by Mitch Bishop and seconded by Robin Tillman.

**Public Comments** – There were no public comments.

**Spending Plan Update**

Charles Bradsky discussed the spending plan stating FY 2023 had a surplus of \$1.1 million in funding and FY 2024 had a surplus of \$750,000. Charles also discussed the two requests he received prior to the meeting; however, those communities were not in attendance to discuss their funding requests with the group. Charles will contact the two communities after the meeting to discuss the funding requests made at the meeting as well as their requests so he can balance the spending plan.

Mitch Bishop requested the Amtrak project for LaPorte County be moved to 2024 and Robin Tillman requested funding for her new bus shuttle project, if there was available funding. Charles will contact Lisa Todd regarding flexing some funds for the additional cost of the three buses LaPorte TransPorte would like to order. Charles noted the current projects already programmed in the TIP include the escalated inflation costs. On motion by Jay Sullivan and seconded by Robin Tillman, the committee agreed to program the three projects below. The remaining funding after the below allocations is \$760,000 surplus in 2023 and a surplus of \$400,000 in 2024, to which Charles will verify.

- \$20,000 for ROW condemnation for LaPorte County in 2023
- \$393,465 in CN for LaPorte County for the Marquette Singing Sands Trail
- \$412,800 to Michigan City for ROW in 2023

**2022 NOFA Update**

Charles Bradsky requested all projects being considered in the NOFA this year be submitted into the RTIP system under the year 2023. There was a question-and-answer period regarding entering projects in the RTIP application.

**Other New Business**

Charles informed the committee that INDOT was creating a new eTIP system for all MPO's. The new system will be available March 1, 2023, but NIRPC may not transfer to the new system until September due to their current contract.

**Adjournment**

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:07 p.m. The next meeting will be held on February 14, 2023.

*The livestream video recording for this meeting is available on NIRPC's YouTube Channel at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PkA0GKpg15w>*