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**REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL
1:00 PM MARCH 24
KIPDA SMALL CONFERENCE ROOM**

**PARTICIPATION WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE THROUGH
ZOOM AND RECORDED**

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. January 27 RTC Minutes (Approval Requested, See Attached)
3. Public Comments
4. County Transportation Updates
5. Kentuckians for Better Transportation Update
6. Presentation from KYTC on the transportation infrastructure bill and grants
7. Other Business-KIPDA Online Library
KIPDA ADD Public Involvement Plan
Topics for Future RTC committee meetings
8. Next RTC Meeting – May 26, 2022
9. Adjourn

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MINUTES

KENTUCKIANA REGIONAL PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (KIPDA)

**REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL
11520 COMMONWEALTH DRIVE
LOUISVILLE, KY 40299
CONFERENCE ROOM A**

**MEETING ALSO CONDUCTED THROUGH ZOOM
AND STREAMED ON THE AGENCY'S YOUTUBE PAGE**

THURSDAY, JANUARY 27, 2022 – 1:00 P.M.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Honorable John Riley
Honorable Jim Travis
Honorable Todd Pollock
Honorable Jerry Summers

REPRESENTING

Spencer County Judge Executive
Spencer County Magistrate
Trimble County Judge Executive
Bullitt County Judge Executive

OTHERS ATTENDING

Mr. Randall Embry
Ms. Rachael Miller
Mr. Jarrett Haley
Ms. Elizabeth Bowling-Schiller
Mr. Keith Lovan

REPRESENTING

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CALL TO ORDER

Judge Pollock called the meeting to order at 1:07 P.M.

MINUTES

Judge John Riley moved to approve the minutes from the August 23, 2021 and the November 23, 2021 Regional Transportation Council (RTC) meetings. Judge Jerry Summers seconded. Motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Embry stated that there were no public comments.

COUNTY TRANSPORTATION UPDATES IN THE KIPDA ADD REGION

Bullitt County

Judge Jerry Summers reported that many of the employees at the state barn had COVID. There were many branches and trees down due to the storm that caused tornadoes in western Kentucky a few weeks ago. The county is working on six major water projects and broadband projects using American Recover Plan Act (ARPA) funding.

Spencer County

Judge John Riley stated that the county really dodged a bullet with snow removal a few weeks ago because the county did not receive as much snow as they thought. The county has been scrambling to meet deadlines for Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) projects that need to be completed by mid-March 2022.

Trimble County

Judge Todd Pollock stated that the county is still waiting on the dump truck that was ordered last Spring. The county thankfully missed much of the major snow from last week or so. The county has been working on basic bridge maintenance, and it will be continuing a big bridge project too.

KENTUCKIANS FOR BETTER TRANSPORTATION UPDATE

Mr. Randall Embry stated that there were five Area Development Districts (ADDs) that attended the Kentuckians for Better Transportation (KBT) conference. At the conference discussion about expansion of regional airports and their importance statewide was discussed. Mr. Jacob Huber and Ms. Patty Dunaway spoke about the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet's (KYTC) Statewide Long Range Transportation Plan and its survey. Ms. Stephanie Pollack spoke about the \$1 trillion federal infrastructure bill of which Kentucky will receive \$4.7 billion over the next five years to invest in roads, bridges, and broadband infrastructure. Ms. Pollack discussed the grant funding sources that will be available in the bill. Mr. James Ballinger, State Highway Engineer with KYTC, discussed the \$8.5 billion recommended for the State Highway Plan.

Governor Andy Beshear was present at the conference, and he discussed the Western Kentucky fund for those impacted by the tornadoes in Mayfield, Dawson Springs, and Bowling Green. The Governor also spoke about companies investing jobs in the state, such as Ford Electric Battery Park located in Glendale off I-65. This project will create 5,000 jobs and \$5.8 billion in economic impact to the Commonwealth. The Governor also discussed the federal infrastructure bill and stated that the time is now to invest in Kentucky's infrastructure to move the Commonwealth forward. Some of the larger-scale projects that Governor Beshear spoke about were the I-69 Bridge in Henderson, Kentucky and the Brent Spencer Bridge and Mountain Parkway Extension in Eastern Kentucky.

PRESENTATION ON KYTC BIKE & PEDESTRIAN PLANNING

Mr. Keith Lovan, Bicycle & Pedestrian Coordinator with the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC), gave a presentation on KYTC's ongoing bike and pedestrian goals, initiatives, and projects. Some of the projects that are being worked on within KYTC are the Americans with Disabilities (ADA) Implementation Project, case studies of bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure in small communities, Complete Streets Policy, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) Kentucky Bike and Pedestrian Safety Assessment, bicycle-pedestrian research in conjunction with the University of Kentucky (UK) and the Kentucky Transportation Center (KTC), Vulnerable Road User Task Force, and the Long Range Surface Transportation Plan.

Currently, KYTC has worked to install 213 miles of shared use trails, 83 miles of rail trails, 922 miles of U.S. bike routes, and 307 miles of bike lanes for a total of 1,525 bicycle and pedestrian trails in Kentucky. KYTC is also involved in the 80 and counting local bike and/or pedestrian plans, 10 of which will be approved in 2022.

The League of American Bicyclist has ranked Kentucky number 43 in the nation for its bicycle trails. Kentucky has a C rating for infrastructure and funding; C- for education and encouragement; C for legislation and enforcement; D+ for policies and programs; and C for evaluation and planning.

KYTC plans to have the following actions to be taken this year Complete Streets Policy done by the end of 2022; NHSTA Assessment for Bike and Pedestrian Safety – report due by Summer 2022; coordinate with Bike Walk KY, which is a new nonprofit; increase funding for projects; increase training on infrastructure and Community Services Program (CSP) implementation; increase data collection; allow photo enforcement; and improve mode share.

Increasing the number of bike and pedestrian trails improves sustainability, quality of life, environmental and economic aspects, public health, congestion relief, etc. for the Commonwealth.

2022 KYTC RECOMMENDED HIGHWAY PLAN

Mr. Randall Embry stated that the 2022 KYTC Recommended Highway Plan has been released with many projects planned in the KIPDA region. The Plan has been split up into two lists, the beginning of the Plan shows the maintenance paving projects. The second list contains the Strategic Highway Investment Formula for Tomorrow (SHIFT) prioritized projects. The final approval for the Plan will be conducted in April or May.

REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP LIST

Mr. Randall Embry stated that he will send the Regional Transportation Council membership list out to the RTC members via email.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next Regional Transportation Council (RTC) meeting will be held on March 24, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. in person at KIPDA in Conference Room A and via Zoom video conference.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Randall Embry stated that there was no other business to discuss.

ADJOURNMENT

Judge John Riley moved to adjourn the meeting. Magistrate Jim Travis seconded. Motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.