

**IOWA NORTHLAND REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
MEETING NOTICE**

**INRCOG BOARD ROOM
229 EAST PARK AVENUE
WATERLOO, IA**

THURSDAY, JUNE 20, 2024, 1:00 PM

AGENDA

Actionable Items

1. Approval of the agenda.
2. Review and consider approval of the minutes for the May 16, 2024 meeting.

Discussion Items

1. Review the draft FY 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and discuss the upcoming public input meetings.

https://bhcmmpo.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/06/rta_tip_fy_25-28_draft-1.pdf

2. Project updates (TA SA/TAP and STBG)
3. General discussion.
4. Adjournment.

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Everyone can come to this meeting. If you need special help to join, call INRCOG at (319) 235-0311 at least two days before the meeting.

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THURSDAY, JUNE 20, 2024

MINUTES

Vice-Chair Hildebrandt called the meeting of the Iowa Northland Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) to order at 1:05 PM.

Meeting Attendees:

Name	Title	Representing	Role
Duane Hildebrandt	Supervisor	Bremer County	Policy Board Member (Vice-Chair)
Mark Schildroth	Supervisor	Grundy County	Policy Board Member
Joel Wikner	Councilmember	City of Denver	Policy Board Member
Brad Bleichner	Mayor	City of Independence	Policy Board Member (Dial in)
Cathy Nicholas	County Engineer	Black Hawk County	TTC Member
Landon Moore	County Engineer	Bremer County	TTC Member
Brian Keierleber	County Engineer	Buchanan County	TTC Member
John Riherd	County Engineer	Butler County	TTC Member
Gary Mauer	County Engineer	Grundy County	TTC Member
Matthew Schmitz	City Manager	City of Independence	TTC Member (Online)
Lois Buhr	City Clerk	City of Readlyn	Attendee
Krista Billhorn	District Transportation Planner	Iowa DOT	Attendee (Online)
Keith Wieland	Visitor	Public	Attendee
Aldina Dautović	Transportation Planner	INRCOG	RTA Staff (Secretary)
Kyle Durant	Transportation Planner	INRCOG	RTA Staff
Nick Fratzke	Director of Transportation	INRCOG	RTA Staff

The first item on the agenda was approval of the agenda. It was moved by Wikner, seconded by Schildroth to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Next was to review and consider approval of the minutes for the May 16, 2024 meeting. It was moved by Schildroth, seconded by Wikner to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Next was Discussion Items:

1. Review the draft FY 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and discuss the upcoming public input meetings

Durant said the draft document was submitted to the Iowa DOT for comments. The document has also been published online. Each jurisdiction is strongly encouraged to review their projects for accuracy. Public input meetings will be held on Tuesday, June 25 from 12:00-1:00 PM at INRCOG, and Thursday, June 27 from 4:00-5:00 PM virtually. The final document will be brought to the Policy Board for consideration of approval at the July meeting.

2. Project Updates (TASA/TAP and STBG)

Bremer County

Moore said bridge projects are ongoing.

Butler County

Riherd said bridge projects are underway. Grading and restoration activities are to be

completed this summer.

Black Hawk County

Nicholas said paving is underway on Dunkerton Road. Deck work is completed, and painting is next for the federal aid bridge project on C57. The county is awaiting a permit for a bridge replacement project this summer.

Buchanan County

Keierleber said a railcar bridge is under construction. The Taylor's Ford Bridge TAP project is set to be let in October. W35 has cultural resources cleared with an environmental concurrence and right of way acquisition expected.

Grundy County

Mauer said the STBG project on D67 finished rock shouldering for a total of 12 miles. Wide lines remain to be finished.

In general discussion, Durant said staff is putting together a State Recreational Trail application to pave 3.1 miles of the Pioneer Trail west of the City of Reinbeck. The project would provide users with a separate paved trail from the existing Pioneer Trail to Reinbeck. Completion of the trail would enhance safety and leave Grundy County with one remaining trail gap. The application is due July 1st. Durant said the project is supported by the 2045 Long Range Plan's planned network and asked the group for a letter of support, to which the group agreed. Keierleber noted that the number of employees at the Iowa DOT has impacted project development. If workload exceeds the number of employees, the Iowa DOT may have to limit administering excessive projects.

There being no further business, Hildebrandt declared the meeting adjourned at 1:21 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Aldina Dautović
Secretary