

**MINUTES**  
**FARMINGTON METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION**  
**POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**AUGUST 25, 2022**

Policy Members Present: Ken George, City of Aztec  
Julie Baird, City of Farmington  
Jeanine Bingham-Kelly, City of Farmington  
Sean Sharer, City of Farmington

Policy Members Absent: Glojean Todacheene, San Juan County  
Paul Brasher, NMDOT, District 5  
John Beckstead, San Juan County  
Tony Herrera, City of Bloomfield  
Mark Duncan, Town of Kirtland

Staff Present: Peter Koeppel, MPO Officer  
Olivia Groeber, MPO Associate Planner  
Beth Escobar, Planning Manager  
Tami Spencer, Administrative Assistant

Staff Absent: None

Others Present: Shannon Glendenning, NMDOT

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Sean Sharer called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

**2. APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE May 26, 2022 POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING**

The approval of the May 26, 2022 Policy Committee Meeting Minutes was tabled due to lack of a quorum.

**3. REPORTS FROM NMDOT**

**Planning Bureau – Rosa Kozub - Absent**

**District 5 – Paul Brasher – Absent**

**Shannon Glendenning - Bicycle, Pedestrian and Equestrian Coordinator**

Ms. Glendenning announced the New Mexico Infrastructure Finance Conference on October 26-28, 2022 would be held in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

The New Mexico Intelligent Transportation Society Annual Meeting will also be held in Albuquerque, New Mexico on October 11, 2022

#### **4. INFORMATION ITEMS**

<b>Subject:</b>	Information Items
<b>Prepared by:</b>	MPO Staff
<b>Date:</b>	August 25, 2022

#### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

- a. **Final FMPO ITS Architecture:** We recently completed the ITS architecture related to the conference mentioned by Shannon Glendenning, NMDOT. This includes a long-range plan for deployment, integration and operation of intelligent transportation system in the region. Stakeholders from all entities, as well as NMDOT and their consultants were involved. This is broken down into steps to implement over time as funding permits. The document has been published and finalized, and is available.
- b. **Bike/Ped Plan Update:** Thanks to NMDOT's flexibility, the funds were rolled over and the consultant has begun work on the plan. There will be some public engagement activities this fall.
- c. **Local Road Safety Plan Update:** If you recall FHWA came to NMDOT offering the services of their consultant to do a safety plan for local roads in the region. Stakeholders from all entities, as well as NMDOT and their consultants were involved. We have a final draft document that is collectively being reviewed. We are still waiting on word, whether this step would override the planning component, and makes us eligible for federal funding.
- d. **Transportation Project Fund Update:** The Transportation Highway Commission met and announced funding for projects in the region. The City of Bloomfield will get funding for their Bergen Lane reconstruction. Farmington will get 2.25 million for resurfacing on W. Main St. and Broadway Ave. and San Juan County will receive funding for County Road 6480.

Mr. Koeppel wanted to add that a group of residents from Navajo Dam had been encouraging NMDOT to look at the corridor between Navajo Dam and Aztec NM, in terms of safety improvements. Mr. Koeppel noted that he found where in 2019, the MPO had passed a resolution in support of that project. He proposed asking NMDOT, what has happened since that resolution had passed. He would like to put a placeholder in the Transportation Improvement Program, in the outer years, then get it funded and moving forward. Sean Sharer, City of Farmington, asked if Navajo Dam was incorporated. Mr. Koeppel did not think so, and that San Juan County Commission represents them. Mr. Sharer thought it would be a good idea to bring the group of residents into an MPO meeting. Mr. Koeppel also feels, as a regional body there is interest from everybody to improving safety, since it is a regional amenity and it should be a safe place to reach.

There was no discussion.

**7. BUSINESS FROM THE CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS AND STAFF**

There was no additional business from the Chairman, Members and Staff.

**8. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY ISSUES NOT ON THE AGENDA**

There was no public comment on any issues not on the agenda

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

The MPO Policy Committee Meeting was adjourned at 10:43 am



Sean Sharer, Policy Committee Chair



MPO Staff

