

**IOWA NORTHLAND REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY  
MEETING NOTICE**

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

**THURSDAY, JULY 18, 2024, 1:00 PM**

**AGENDA**

**Actionable Items**

1. Approval of the agenda.
2. Review and consider approval of the minutes for the June 20, 2024 meeting.
3. Hold a Public Hearing and consider approval of the final FY 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program.

[https://bhcmmpo.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/06/rta\\_tip\\_fy\\_25-28\\_draft-1.pdf](https://bhcmmpo.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/06/rta_tip_fy_25-28_draft-1.pdf)

**Discussion Items**

1. Draft 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan.
  - a. Schedule
  - b. Mailout Public Input Survey
2. Commute with Enterprise.
3. Project updates (TA SA/TAP and STBG).
4. General discussion.
5. Adjournment.

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THURSDAY, JULY 18, 2024

## MINUTES

Vice-Chair Hildebrandt called the meeting of the Iowa Northland Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) to order at 1:00 PM.

Meeting Attendees:

Name	Title	Representing	Role
Duane Hildebrandt	Supervisor	Bremer County	Policy Board Member (Vice-Chair)
Clayton Ohrt	Supervisor	Buchanan County	Policy Board Member
Matthew Kuhn	Supervisor	Chickasaw County	Policy Board Member
Mark Schildroth	Supervisor	Grundy County	Policy Board Member
Joel Wikner	Councilmember	City of Denver	Policy Board Member
Steve Geerts	Mayor	City of New Hampton	Policy Board Member
Landon Moore	County Engineer	Bremer County	TTC Member
Brian Keierleber	County Engineer	Buchanan County	TTC Member
Roman Lensing	County Engineer	Chickasaw County	TTC Member (Online )
Gary Mauer	County Engineer	Grundy County	TTC Member
Michael Schares	Mayor	City of Grundy	TTC Member
Matthew Schmitz	City Manager	City of Independence	TTC Member (Online)
Jeff Skalberg	County Engineer	Grundy County	Attendee
Krista Billhorn	District Transportation Planner	Iowa DOT	Attendee (Online)
Aldina Dautović	Transportation Planner	INRCOG	RTA Staff (Secretary)
Kyle Durant	Transportation Planner	INRCOG	RTA Staff

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

Next was to review and consider approval of the minutes for the June 20, 2024 meeting. It was moved by Schildroth, seconded by Wikner to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Next was to hold a Public Hearing and consider approval of the final FY 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program. It was moved by Schildroth, seconded by Wikner to open the Public Hearing. Motion carried unanimously. The Public Hearing opened at 1:02 PM. Durant said the draft was presented to the group and sent to the Iowa DOT, FHWA, and FTA for comments in June. No comments were received. A virtual and in-person public input meeting was held with no public comments received. Proof of publication is on file. There being no further discussion, it was moved by Wikner, seconded by Schildroth to close the Public Hearing. Motion carried unanimously. The Public Hearing closed at 1:04 PM. It was then moved by Kuhn, seconded by Wikner to approve the FY 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Next was Discussion Items:

1. Draft 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP)

a. Schedule

Durant said the Long-Range Transportation Plan, which outlines transportation planning in the region for the next 25 years, is updated every five years. The next revised edition is due December 2025. Staff have begun updating chapters. There will be multiple

opportunities for public input.

b. Mailout Public Input Survey

Durant said an online, public input survey is being conducted as part of the LRTP. One round is planned to consist of 1,000 postcards containing a QR code being sent to randomly selected addresses within the RTA region, with a second round to be made available to all. Paper versions will be available on request. The surveys are anticipated to go live in August.

2. Project Updates (TASA/TAP and STBG)

**Bremer County**

Moore said there are significant delays on three HBPP projects. Two of the projects are underway, and the other hasn't started yet. Work is continuing on the west pier of C50. Paving is completed for the year.

**Buchanan County**

Keierleber said W35 hasn't gotten environmental concurrence yet, so the right of way cannot be purchased. The Bridge Improvement Project application includes six participating counties and seven bridges.

**Grundy County**

Mauer said the STBG project on D67 is working on asphalt and adjusting manholes. Mauer also introduced Jeff Skalberg as the new county engineer for Grundy County.

**Chickasaw County**

Lensing said the county's STBG project was completed in June. Design work for other bridges is underway.

There was no general discussion.

There being no further business, it was moved by Wikner, seconded by Geerts to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 1:57 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Aldina Dautović  
Secretary