



**DOVER/KENT COUNTY MPO PUBLIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**MINUTES OF DECEMBER 15, 2009**

**PUBLIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS & ALTERNATES attending:**

Horace Cook, Chair	Dwight Meyer, Vice Chair	Michael Gumrot
Arley Cooper, Jr.	Guy Veach	
Dr. Carlton Cannon, Alt. at large		

**MEMBERS NOT ATTENDING:**

William Saunders	Bridget Lane	Prameela Kaza
Dr. Daniel Houghtaling	James Brown	James Webster

**NON-MEMBERS ATTENDING:**

Rexene Ornauer	Juanita Wieczoreck, MPO Staff
Kate Layton, MPO Staff	Catherine Samardza, MPO Staff

The meeting was held in the Council Chambers of Camden Town Hall.

1. INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS & GUESTS
2. PUBLIC COMMENTS
3. *ACTION ITEM: Approval of Agenda*

Ms. Wieczoreck asked that Item #6 be changed to an Action Item.

MOTION By Mr. Cooper to approve the agenda with the change requested. Seconded by Mr. Gumrot. Motion carried.

4. *ACTION ITEM: Approval of Minutes/October 27, 2009*

MOTION By Mr. Gumrot to approve the minutes of October 27, 2009. Seconded by Mr. Veach. Motion carried.

5. PRESENTATION: Memorial plaque for Richard Ornauer

The PAC dedicated a plaque to the memory of Mr. Richard Ornauer, a founding member of the PAC who went above and beyond what was required of him. The plaque was ceremonially presented to Mrs. Rexene Ornauer, and will be displayed in the MPO offices. Mrs. Ornauer was given the printers' proof of the photograph used on the plaque as a memento.



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### 6. **PRESENTATION AND ACTION: Amendment to the FY 2010-2013 Transportation Improvement Program**

Staff reviewed the amendments. One amendment is a TIGGER grant (ARRA money) to reduce energy consumption. The Delaware Transit Corporation applied for the grant, which will fund the installation of solar panels on several buildings, one of which is in Kent County. The other is to add a project to the US13 Pavement rehab list; Southbound from Murder Kill River to Tub Mill Pond Road. Funding is available for this project because bids for other projects have come in under budget.

**MOTION** By Mr. Gumrot recommending Council amend the TIP to include the funding for both projects. Seconded by Mr. Veach. Motion carried.

### 7. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION: Public Participation Plan update (resubmitted) – K. Layton**

Ms. Layton reviewed the changes to the document since the last PAC meeting. The majority of the changes were stylistic, to simplify or clarify language. Substantive changes were highlighted. In particular, the bullet point on Page 7 was changed from “every other year” to read “every odd number year.” There was some discussion with committee members clarifying their understanding of the changes.

**MOTION** By Mr. Cooper to forward the document to Council recommending the changes. Seconded by Mr. Meyer. Motion carried.

### 8. **Staff Report –**

- 8.1 UPWP Progress & Financial Reports**
- 8.2 Other Project Updates/Activities**
- 8.3 Correspondence & Publications/Reports**
- 8.4 Public Outreach – K. Layton**

Ms. Layton discussed the vacancies in the PAC, asking members for help in finding candidates for the committee. Ms. Wiczorek reported that Judy Diogo of the Central DE Chamber of Commerce recommended Mr. Frank Fantini and Mr. John Whitby. She also announced that Mr. Veach was resigning effective after this meeting. Mr. Cook thanked Mr. Veach for his contribution.

### **NEXT MEETING: February 23, Smyrna area, TBD**

Staff reported that the TAC changed their February meeting from February 10 to February 3 due to a conflict with another meeting that many members would be attending. PAC members were given the option to leave their meeting on February 23, or to change it to February 16. Members chose to change to February 16<sup>th</sup> without a formal vote.

**MOTION** By Mr. Cooper to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Gumrot. Motion carried.