## Erie Regional Planning Commission MPO Citizen Advisory Safety Committee Meeting Minutes June 16th, 2021

**PRESENT:** Tim Resister, Margaretta Township; Melanie Murray, Perkins Township; David Murphy, Perkins Fire Department; Erik Engle, City of Huron; Carrie Whitaker, Nicole Grohe; ERPC staff.

Ms. Grohe called the meeting to order at 8:30 A.M. The meeting was in a hybrid format with the option of participants meeting online or via web-ex. She then proceeded with a PowerPoint presentation.

Agenda Item #1 Approval of March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Meeting Minutes: Ms. Grohe presented the minutes from the March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021 meeting. Mr. Resister motioned to approve the minutes and Ms. Murray seconded the motion; all voted aye, motion passed. No further discussion was held on this item.

## Agenda Item #2 Updates:

**2021 Active Transportation Month Recap:** Ms. Grohe reviewed this year's Active Transportation Month activities. She stated that educational booths were set-up at the Erie County Office Building and Services Center. She added that the booths were well attended and that she had to restock them several times. Additionally, a virtual Panel Discussion was held on 5/17. She stated that with COVID-19 outreach activities have been limited, but she is hopeful that in the future more direct methods could be reapplied.

**2022 Coordinated Transportation Plan Update:** Ms. Grohe then informed the committee that the transit plan is required to be updated this year. The area's mobility manager, from the Great Lakes Community Action Partnership (GCLAP), is spearheading the plan update and she will be participating as a stakeholder; the first stakeholder meeting scheduled for 6/17. She stated that feedback is being collected for the plan and shared the survey link with the committee.

MPO Projects: Ms. Grohe reviewed the status of each of the MPO funded projects through State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2025. Ms. Grohe also mentioned that the US 6/Cedar Point Drive intersection had received funding from ODOT's Safety Program to advance the design and construction of a roundabout at the location in SFY 2024.

<u>Transportation Alternative Program Solicitation:</u> Ms. Grohe noted the MPO has completed the project selection process for the project Transportation Alternative Program for SF 2025. She presented the projects that were submitted and stated that the City of Vermilion's Safe Routes to School Program was funded as it scored the highest in the process. She added that the MPO approved the adoption of the project at the MPO meeting last month.

<u>Earmark Program:</u> Ms. Grohe also shared with the committee that the county had applied for earmark funding through the local legislative offices. She stated that awards have not yet been made.

Other Items: Ms. Whitaker mentioned that ODOT will be conducting a safety study at the intersection of Campbell Street and Strub Road near the Perkins High school Campus. She also mentioned that a draft study has been performed by the City of Sandusky at the intersections of Columbus and Perkins Avenues.

Ms. Grohe mentioned the next meeting is currently scheduled for September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021. No other business was discussed and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectively Submitted,

Nicole Grohe, Planner

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