



Meeting Minutes for the BMCPO Policy Committee

Meeting Minutes for the May 29, 2026 meeting of the Policy Committee of the Bloomington Metropolitan Planning Organization.

Attendance

Members Present:

1. Rebecca Packer, Indiana Department of Transportation - Seymour District
2. Hopi Stosberg, City of Bloomington Common Council
3. Scott Faris, Monroe County Plan Commission
4. Jason Banach, Indiana University
5. Julie Thomas, Monroe County Commissioners
6. Lisa Ridge, Monroe County Highway Department
7. Andrew Cibor, City of Bloomington Office of the Mayor
8. Sam Tobin-Hochstadt, Citizen Advisory Committee
9. Nate Nickel, City of Bloomington Public Works Department

Staff: Katie Gandhi, Patrick Martin

Guests: 2

Meeting Recording

- A full account of the meeting can be viewed by watching the video recording, which can be viewed on [CATSTV's website](#) or on [CATSTV's YouTube Channel](#).

Meeting Notes

1. Call to Order and Introductions
2. Approval of Agenda for May 27, 2026*
Faris moved to approve the Wednesday May 27, 2026 meeting agenda.
Tobin-Hochstadt seconded. Motion carried by a voice vote of 9-0.
3. Approval of [Minutes from April 24, 2026](#)*



Faris noted that a version of the minutes was revised this week to state that David Schilling, Monroe County Legal Council, was present at the April 24, 2026 meeting. Faris moved to approve the minutes from the April 24, 2026 BMCMPPO PC meeting. Thomas seconded. Motion carried by a voice vote of 9-0.

4. Communications from Chair and Vice Chair

5. Communications from Officers and/or Committees

Nickel reported that the Technical Advisory Committee reviewed the items on the agenda and recommended them for approval by the Policy Committee.

Tobin-Hochstadt reported that the Citizen Advisory Committee reviewed the items on the agenda and recommended them for approval by the Policy Committee.

6. Reports from MPO Staff

6.1. [INDOT May 12, 2026 News Release: Single-lane closures planned on I-69 in Greene and Monroe Counties](#) [external resource]

6.2. [2026 City of Bloomington ADA Transition Plan \(DRAFT\)](#)

This plan is included in the packet for information purposes only.

Because the BMCMPPO is housed within the City of Bloomington, we have to verify that we are operating under ADA standards. The BMCMPPO submits the City of Bloomington's ADA Transition Plan (once finalized) to the Indiana Department of Transportation, the Federal Transit Administration, and the Federal Highway Administration. Discussion ensued.

6.3. [Memo: Bloomington Transit Proposed Service Improvements](#) and [Bloomington Transit hearing notice](#) [external resource]

6.4. [Memo: transit updates made since previous meeting](#)

6.5. [Memo: non-transit updates made since previous meeting](#)

Stosberg asked for more information about modifications and amendments. Discussion ensued.

6.6. [INDOT Traffic Engineer Memo, May 4 2026](#) [external resource]

Staff shared how the new state standards described in this memo would impact the MPO's crash dashboard product. Faris asked if past data



would be retroactively updated. Stosberg asked if crash records are updated after the crash and if the public will have access to the crash reports. Discussion ensued.

- 6.7. [Highway Safety Improvement Program Updated Crash Costs](#) [external resource]

- 6.8. [Memo: calendar year 2025 motor vehicle crash overview for Monroe County](#)

Stosberg asked about bikes vs pedestrian crashes and electric bikes. Thomas asked about ATVs. Tobin-Hochstadt asked if we have ever considered connecting this data and crashes with the solutions and remediation that staff are doing to address the location after the crash. Martin shared about the safety discussions INDOT has each year regarding high crash areas. Discussion ensued.

- 6.9. Recent updates on BMCMPPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) projects.

BMCMPPO staff verbally shared updates for the local projects that are in the TIP and receiving MPO federal funds or bridge funds from the state. These updates can be viewed in the [TIP project status/letting date listing](#). Location of projects can be viewed on the [virtual public map of project locations](#).

- 7. Old Business

- 8. New Business

- 8.1. [BMCMPPO resolution FY2026-08: proposed changes to the FY2026-2030 BMCMPPO TIP*](#)

The proposed changes presented by staff involve the shifting of the construction phases of two projects to new fiscal years, as well as two new exchanges of funds with other MPOs. Faris and Thomas asked about how we can hear about status updates for the College and Walnut project. Tobin-Hochstadt asked about the effort it takes to conduct funding exchanges with other MPOs, as well as how to mitigate project delays. Discussion ensued. Tobin-Hochstadt moved to approve BMCMPPO



**Resolution FY2026-08: proposed changes to the BMCMP0 FY2026-2030
TIP. Faris seconded. Motion carried by a voice vote of 8-0 (Banach
departed prior to this vote).**

9. Public Comment - On non-voting matters not included on the agenda (*limited to five minutes per speaker, and may be reduced by the committee if numerous people wish to speak*)
10. Communications from Committee Members on non-voting matters not included on the agenda
 - 10.1. Communications
 - 10.2. Topic Suggestions for Future Agendas
11. Upcoming Meetings
 - 11.1. Technical Advisory Committee: July 22, 2026 at 10:00AM (hybrid)
 - 11.2. Citizen Advisory Committee: July 22, 2026 at 5:30PM (hybrid)
 - 11.3. Policy Committee: July 24, 2026 at 10:30AM (hybrid)
12. Adjournment