



Meeting Minutes for the Technical Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes for the August 26, 2026 meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee of the Bloomington Metropolitan Planning Organization.

Attendance

Members Present:

1. Abby Lalko, Indiana Department of Transportation - Seymour District Office
2. Amy Guerretaz, Area 10 Agency on Aging - Rural Transit
3. Cheryl Gilliland, City of Bloomington, Controller's Office
4. Hunter Jackson, Monroe County, Auditor's Office
5. Jane Fleig [VICE CHAIR], City of Bloomington, Utilities Department
6. John Baeten [CHAIR], Monroe County, Surveyor Department
7. John Connell, Bloomington Public Transportation Corporation, Bloomington Transit
8. John Kennedy, BMCPO Citizens Advisory Committee - **non-voting**
9. Jenna Pesano, Monroe County Parks and Recreation Department
10. Meghan Blair, City of Bloomington, ITS Department
11. Nate Nickel, City of Bloomington, Public Works Department
12. Neil Kopper, City of Bloomington, Engineering Department
13. Rebecca Swift [VIRTUAL] - **vote not counted**
14. Tim Lawson, Monroe County, Highway Department

BMCPO 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 August 26, 2026*
Fleig moved for the approval of the Wednesday August 26, 2026 meeting agenda.
Kopper seconded. Motion carried by a voice vote of 12-0.

3. Approval of Minutes from July 22, 2026*
Kopper moved for the approval of the minutes from the July 22, 2026 meeting. Fleig seconded. Motion carried by a voice vote of 12-0.
4. Communications from Chair and Vice Chair
5. Communications from Officers and/or Committees
6. Reports from MPO Staff
 - 6.1. [U.S. DOT Surface Transportation Reauthorization Priority Letter, 7-22-2026](#)
 - 6.2. [U.S. DOT 2026 National Roadway Safety Strategy](#)
 - 6.3. [U.S. DOT Intercity Bus Atlas](#)
 - 6.4. [Indiana Second Gas Tax Holiday Reimbursement](#)
 - 6.5. [Early Coordination Letter: DES # 2401404 for SR 45 New Sidewalk Addition, Kinser Pike to Walnut Street](#)
 - 6.6. [City of Bloomington press release: Increased Traffic Enforcement Ahead of MCCSC School Year](#)
 - 6.7. [City of Bloomington Safety Week](#)
 - 6.8. [BMCMPPO FY2028-2032 Call for Projects](#)
 - 6.9. Future TIP Development and Review Process
Staff may later propose an update to the current TIP development process, specifically regarding how projects are selected and/or prioritized for funding, after the development of the FY2028-2032 TIP and prior to the FY2030-2034 TIP.
 - 6.10. [BMCMPPO FY2027 summary of annual federal funding allocations](#)
 - 6.11. Recent updates on BMCMPPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) projects: view the [virtual public map of project locations](#) and view the [TIP project listing](#).
7. Old Business
8. New Business
 - 8.1. [BMCMPPO resolution FY2027-03: proposed changes to the FY2026-2030 BMCMPPO TIP*](#)
Connell moved to recommend approval of BMCMPPO resolution FY2027-03. Kopper seconded. Motion carried by a voice vote of 11-0, with Gilliland abstaining.
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

Baeten shared that Monroe County recently took part in a study by the Silver Jackets, an organization of the Army Corps of Engineers that works on flooding. They received two Turn Around Don't Drown signs, from the Silver Jackets, to place on streets where they have experienced flooding in the past. Additionally, the [Monroe County GIS team](#) put together a new [precipitation viewer](#) that shows flood predications and live data from the National Weather Service, and crowdsourced data from the [CoCoRaHS](#), a citizen science organization.

10.2. Topic Suggestions for Future Agendas

11. Upcoming Meetings

11.1. Citizens Advisory Committee: August 26, 2026 at 5:30PM (hybrid)

11.2. Policy Committee: August 28, 2026 at 10:30AM (hybrid)

11.3. Technical Advisory Committee: September 23, 2026 at 10:00AM (hybrid)

12. Adjournment