

JOHNSON CITY MTPO
Minutes of the Executive Board and Executive Staff Workshop
Thursday, March 31, 2022 at 2:00 p.m.
Location: Electronically via Zoom
Workshop Recording: <https://youtu.be/iRheX5NXqQQ>

Executive Board Present

The Honorable Mayor Joe Grandy, Washington County
The Honorable Mayor Chuck Vest, Town of Jonesborough
Ronda Sawyer for the Honorable Governor Bill Lee, State of Tennessee

Executive Board Not Present

The Honorable Mayor Joseph C. Wise, City of Johnson City, Chairman
The Honorable Mayor Curt Alexander, City of Elizabethton
The Honorable Mayor Richard Bowling, Town of Bluff City
The Honorable Mayor Kathy Bullen, Town of Unicoi
The Honorable Mayor Patty Woodby, Carter County
Johnny Deakins, Jr., Tennessee County Highway Officials Association

Executive Staff Present

Kim Kreckow for Eldonna Janutolo, Johnson City Transit
Ronda Sawyer, Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT)

Executive Staff Not Present

Cathy Ball, City of Johnson City, Chairman
Daniel Estes, City of Elizabethton
The Honorable Mayor Richard Bowling, Town of Bluff City
Glenn Rosenoff, Town of Jonesborough
Debbie Kessler, Town of Unicoi
Roger Colbaugh, Carter County Highway Department
Johnny Deakins, Jr., Washington County Highway Department
Susan Reid, First Tennessee Development District
Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)
Federal Transit Administration (FTA)

Others Attending

Glenn Berry, Johnson City MTPO
Mary Butler, Johnson City MTPO
Ambre Torbett, Sullivan County
Tracy Kissel, NET Trans
Susan Katko, Jonesborough Senior Center – MyRide
Emily Duchac, TDOT
Jeannette Bloomfield, TDOT
Laura Brown, RLS & Associates
A.T. Stoddard, LSC Transportation Consultants
Skyler Britt, Captioner

Summary of Actions: No action items were conducted during this workshop.

Mr. Glenn Berry, MPO Manager, started the workshop at 2:04 p.m. and introduced Ms. Laura Brown with RLS & Associates, who gave a presentation on the Coordinated Public Transit – Human Services Transportation Plan.

The presentation slides are available at this link:

https://icmpo.org/minutes/2022/Coordinated_Plan_Presentation.pdf

Ms. Brown covered the timeline and milestones for work on the update to the Plan to date. RLS and the MTPO staff met with many of the community stakeholders and Ms. Brown stated the fact that there are many caring individuals and organizations in the area; however, the public may not be aware of some of them. She showed several maps that detail the locations of populations covered by the Plan, including older adults, individuals with disabilities and low-income individuals. She covered the funding that may be available to help implement the strategies that were identified by the public and community stakeholders.

After the presentation, there was an opportunity to ask questions. None were asked. Mr. Berry thanked the community stakeholders who were involved in the planning process, and he appreciated their time. The workshop was adjourned at 2:41 p.m.