

## Minutes

**SIOUXLAND REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ASSOCIATION (SRTPA)  
Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)  
Wednesday, January 15, 2025, 1:30 p.m.  
SIMPCO, 6401 Gordon Drive, Sioux City, Iowa and via Zoom**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Thomas Rohe, Vice Chair	Plymouth County, Iowa
Laura Sievers	Woodbury County, Iowa
Kyle Basten	City of Cherokee, Iowa
Brian Pearson	Siouxland Regional Transit System
Kelly Puhmann	Cherokee County, Iowa
Jason Vacura	City of Le Mars, Iowa

**Non-Voting Members/Guests:**

Sarah Tracy	Department of Transportation – IA
Luke Hoffman	Iowa Bicycle Coalition

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Michelle Bostinelos, Executive Director	SIMPCO
Corinne Erickson, Regional Planning Manager	SIMPCO
Ryan Brauer, Regional Planner-GIS	SIMPCO
Nathan Kistner, Regional Planner	SIMPCO

The Siouxland Regional Transportation Planning Association (SRTPA) Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) met on Wednesday, January 15, 2025, 1:30 p.m., in person at 6401 Gordon Drive, Sioux City, and virtually via Zoom.

Vice Chair Thomas Rohe called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. A quorum was present.

- I. **Approval of the Agenda:** Vice Chair, Thomas Rohe, asked if there were any additions or corrections to the January 15, 2025, regular meeting agenda.

*Brian Pearson moved to approve the meeting agenda as presented, seconded by Laura Sievers. Motion carried with all ayes.*

- II. **Approval of the Minutes:** Vice Chair, Thomas Rohe, asked if there were any additions or corrections to the November 13, 2024, regular meeting minutes.

*Laura Sievers moved to approve the minutes with spelling correction to last name Puhmann, seconded by Brian Pearson. Motion carried all ayes.*

- III. **Review of Monthly Correspondence:** Regional Planning Manager, Corinne Erickson discussed projects and activities outlined in the Director's Report included in the meeting packet since the November 13, 2024, meeting.

**IV. Transportation Improvement Progress Report:** SRTPA TAC voting, and non-voting members provided an update on the progress of transportation improvements currently underway throughout the region.

**V. FY 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendments and Administrative Modifications:** Michelle Bostinelos asked the TAC to present any amendments or administrative modifications to the FY 2025-2028 TIPs. The following amendments were presented for consideration.

1. Siouxland Regional Transit System (SRTS) bus storage facility in Le Mars and expansion of the current facility in Sioux City (TPMS #11623) for a total estimated cost of \$12,000,000 with \$9,600,000 Federal participation (Section 5339) in FY 2025.

2. Siouxland Regional Transit System (SRTS) bus storage facility in Le Mars and expansion of the current facility in Sioux City (TPMS #11600) for a total estimated cost of \$12,000,000 with full Federal participation (RAISE) in FY 2025.

*Brian Pearson moved to approve the amendments presented, seconded by Kyle Basten. Motion carried all ayes.*

**VI. Officer Elections:** Vice Chair, Thomas Rohe, opened nominations for officer elections.

Current Chair: Jeff Williams

Current Vice Chair: Thomas Rohe

*Thomas Rohe nominated Jeff Williams as Chair. Laura Sievers nominated Thomas Rohe as Vice Chair. Brian Pearson moved to cease nominations and elect Jeff Williams as Chair and Thomas Rohe as Vice Chair, seconded by Laura Sievers. Motion carried all ayes.*

**VII. Pavement Data Collection Off-Cycle Data Opt-In:** Michelle Bostinelos presented the TAC an opportunity to opt in to the next off-cycle data collection using Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funds.

*Laura Sievers moved to not opt-in, seconded by Kelly Puhmann. Motion carried all ayes.*

**VIII. Guest Speaker: Luke Hoffman, Executive Director, Iowa Bicycle Coalition:** Michelle introduced Luke Hoffman, the guest speaker from the Iowa Bicycle Coalition. Luke elaborated on the coalition's initiatives and emphasized an upcoming study on the economic and health impacts of cycling and trails, scheduled for release on July 25th. He noted that this study is a continuation of the 2012 study, which highlighted the indirect economic benefits of recreational riding on the state. Luke explained the significance of the study, detailing its timeline and phases. He also encouraged those interested in partnering with the coalition to reach out to him.

**IX. Additional Comments:** Next meeting – Wednesday, March 19, 2025 at 1:30 p.m. (Hybrid)

- X. **Adjournment:** *Brian Pearson moved to adjourn, seconded by Kyle Basten. Vice Chair, Thomas Rohe, closed the meeting at 2:28 p.m.*