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**The I-35W Solutions Alliance Meeting**

Thursday, December 12, 2013

Richfield Bartholomew Room

6700 Portland Avenue

**Minutes**

**Members and Guests Present**

Board members present were Suzanne Sandahl, Gene Abbott, Doug Anderson, Tim Busse, Bob Crawford, Mike Eastling, Lisa Freese, Zach Johnson, Karl Keel, Mark Krebsbach, Robert Lilligren, Ryan Peterson, John Quincy, Mary Sherry, and Liz Workman; and member staff and visitors, Senator Scott Dibble, Steve Elkins (Met Council), Joe Gladke (Hennepin County), Steve Hay (Minneapolis), Christina Morrison (Met Transit), Jeff Pearson (Richfield), Ron Rauchle (MnDOT), Kim Larson (Bloomington), and Bob Tennesen (Tennesen Law).

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:37 a.m. by Chair Sue Sandahl.

**Approval of Minutes**

Upon motion made and seconded, the minutes of the November 14, 2013 meeting were approved.

**Acceptance of Treasurer's Report**

Upon motion made and seconded, the treasurer's report was approved subject to audit.

**Website Task Force**

John Quincy, Website Task Force Chair, requested members to submit accomplishments for the website

**Technical Committee**

Ryan Peterson, Technical Committee Chair, noted that, if needed, there is additional money allocated for legislative purposes.

**Nominating Committee**

Liz Workman and Tim Busse volunteered. Ms. Workman will recruit one more member, possibly Jan Callison, as she has been on this committee previously.

**Audit Committee**

Gene Abbott will be recruiting a replacement for Robert Lilligren on the Audit Committee, which works on the audit in January/February, and reports in March to the group.,

**Legislative Update**

Bob Tennesen presented the Legislative Report, a copy of which was included with the agenda packet.

**Transportation Funding Legislation**

Senator Scott Dibble discussed potential transportation funding legislation with the group.

**Move MN**

Upon motion made and seconded, joining Move MN and submit the appropriate communication indicating the Solutions Alliance' support for its program.

### **2014 Lobbyist Contract**

Upon motion made and seconded, the contract with Tennesen Law, PLC was approved for the calendar year 2014 upon the same terms as the existing contract and the chair was authorized to execute the contract.

### **Project Updates**

- I-35W/I-494 Interchange – Design continues for interchange and transit, with Orange Line BRT using Knox to get into the NEPA process.
- TH 13 – 13/5 is in its present winter condition until April.
- I-494 Corridor Commission – Met yesterday and passed Move MN resolution.
- I-35W/Lake Street Station – There are some local design issues regarding a block of historical housing.
- Minnesota River Bridge Crossing – The river bridge crossing is scheduled for 2018.0

### **Future Topics**

- January, 2014 – Future Funding, Lee Munnich, Humphrey Institute
- February, 2014 – Transportation Commission Charles Zelle
- March, 2014 – Travel Behavior Inventory, Jonathan Ehrlich with Met Council
- April, 2014 – Transportation Policy Plan and Regional Solicitation
- Near Future – Minnesota River Bridge Crossing, Sheila Kauppi with MnDOT

### **Next Meeting**

The next Board meeting is scheduled for January 9, 2014, at the Richfield City Hall.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 8:57 a.m.