

Morgan County Rural Planning Organization

July 2023 Meeting

Meeting Minutes

DATE: July 19, 2023
TIME: 4:00 pm
LOCATION: *This meeting was a hybrid meeting, available via Zoom. The anchor location for this meeting was held at the in-person address below.*

In-person Morgan City Office
90 West Young Street
Morgan City, UT

ATTENDEES: Mayor Steve Gale, Morgan City
Ty Bailey, Morgan City
Lance Prescott, Morgan City
Commissioner Jared Andersen, Morgan County
Commissioner Blaine Fackrell, Morgan County
Julie Bjornstad, Wasatch Front Regional Council

1 Introductions [00:00:00]

Julie Bjornstad from the Wasatch Front Regional Council (WFRC) welcomed the Morgan County Rural Planning Organization (RPO) and introduced the meeting agenda.

2 **Action:** Approval of the May 2023 meeting minutes [00:01:16]

Mayor Gale called for the approval of the May 2023 meeting minutes. Lance Prescott made the motion to approve, and Ty Bailey seconded. All votes were in favor of approval with Commissioner Andersen abstaining.

3 Opportunity for Public Comment [00:07:04]

There were no members of the public present.

4 **Action:** Adopt the RPO Bylaws [00:07:16]

Julie reviewed updates to the RPO Bylaws. There was a discussion about separating previously listed tasks in the bylaws between the RPO and a Morgan COG working group. It was decided that the RPO would continue to meet quarterly to discuss county-wide, long-range transportation planning. The COG working group would focus on short-term programming.

This agenda item was revisited at [01:22:40] in the meeting. A discussion was had to change the bylaws to only require one representative from each entity for a quorum. Mayor Gale called for the approval of the RPO Bylaws. Ty Bailey made the motion to approve, and Commissioner Fackrell seconded. All votes were in favor of approval.

5 Information/Discussion: 3rd Quarter (59-12-2217) Prioritization Process [00:36:23]

Julie reviewed the Utah State Code 59-12-2217 and the prioritization process requirements for the third quarter local option sales tax for transportation. Julie reviewed a draft prioritization process, application, and technical evaluation criteria. The group discussed eligible applicants, the benefits of the field tours, and the technical evaluation criteria such as cost effectiveness. Congestion is most concentrated around school locations and school pick-up/drop-off. Active transportation accommodations, consideration of future growth, and roadway standards were also discussed. The draft process will be sent to the RPO members for further consideration.

6 Information/Discussion: Corridor Preservation Prioritization Process

Discussion of the prioritization process for corridor preservation funds was tabled.

7 Information/Discussion: Wasatch Choice Vision poster update [01:29:34]

Julie reviewed the Wasatch Choice Vision map. The Vision map is being updated to reflect changes in transportation and land use planning. Julie reviewed the proposed land use centers in Morgan County. Changes proposed were increasing the size of the Morgan City downtown center and a new addition of an industrial center near the Morgan County Airport. A center in Peterson was discussed, but ultimately decided not to be included in the Vision. Morgan City also has a new park planned near the Tractor's Supply.

8 Information/Discussion: Morgan County Active Transportation Plan update

Discussion of the Morgan County Active Trans was tabled.

9 Call for agenda items and meeting adjournment [01:46:01]

A new meeting time was discussed for the August meeting. This meeting will be a COG working meeting. The meeting was adjourned.