Proposed Agenda

1. Roll Call
2. Public Comment on Action Items
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes
5. Secretary's Report

6. Action Items
   A) Resolution 2015-7: NFTA Program of Projects Realignment
   B) Resolution 2015-6: Harsh Winter Road Rehabilitation Projects Addition
   C) Resolution 2015-5: Integrated Corridor Management Studies Addition
   D) Resolution 2015-8: Old Route 219 over Cattaraugus Creek Bridge Replacement

7. Discussion Items

   Plans:
   A) Metro Transportation Plan – Scenarios on Development of the Region
   B) Transportation Projects – Opportunities for Projects and a New TIP
   C) Integrated Corridor Management – Progressive Solutions in the BiNational Transportation Corridor

   Projects:
   A) Construction Projects in the 2015 Season
   B) Amherst-Buffalo Public Transportation Options – Some Evaluation Results and Alternatives Being Considered Further
   C) NFTA Access Enhancement Study for Canalside & Cobblestone Districts
   D) Regional Agencies Initiatives Report
      Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority
      New York State Thruway Authority
      New York State Department of Transportation
      Local Jurisdictions and Partners

8. Other Business
9. Next Meeting/Adjournment of Policy Meeting
MINUTES OF THE JUNE 12, 2015 MEETING OF THE
GREATER BUFFALO-NIAGARA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL
POLICY COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Greater Buffalo-Niagara Regional Transportation Council (GBNRTC) Policy Committee was held on June 12, 2015 in the GBNRTC offices.

The following GBNRTC Policy representatives were present:
Darrell Kaminski NYS DOT
Matthew Latko NYS Thruway Authority
Michael Finn City of Buffalo
James Morrell NFTA
Kevin O'Brien Niagara County
Charles Sickler Erie County

Others present were:
Hal Morse GBNRTC
Amy Weymouth GBNRTC
Rich Guarino GBNRTC
Kelly Dixon GBNRTC
JohnMichael Muldri GBNRTC
Ramsey Kahi NYS DOT
Jodi Clark SNI
Jeffrey Amplement NFTA
Doug Funke Citizens for Regional Transit
Lynn Magdol Citizens for Regional Transit
Sheila Ransbottom Core Environmental
Jennifer Michniewicz Clark Patterson Lee
Kim Schueler Town of Amherst
Jeffrey Lebsack Hatch Mott MacDonald

POLICY BOARD MEETING

1. Roll Call
   The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM

2. Public Comment on Action Items
   Members of the public were afforded an opportunity to speak publicly on the action items before the Council.

3. Approval of Meeting Agenda (6/12/2015)
   Mr. O’Brien moved to approve the meeting agenda, seconded by Mr. Sickler and all were in favor.

4. Approval of GBNRTC Policy Committee Meeting Minutes (12/15/2014)
   Mr. O’Brien moved to approve the minutes of December 15, 2014, seconded by Mr. Latko, and all were in favor.

5. Secretary’s Report
   Mr. Morse reviewed formal correspondence received from various agencies since the last meeting.
6. **Action Items (Resolutions)**

   A) The following proposed resolutions and actions have been recommended by the Planning and Coordinating Committee and have completed any required review process.

   - Approval of Resolution 2015-7: NFTA Program Realignment: *Mr. Latko made the motion seconded by Mr. Sickler all were in favor.*
   - Approval of Resolution 2015-6: Harsh Winter Road Rehabilitation Projects Addition: *Mr. O’Brien made the motion seconded by Mr. Finn all were in favor.*
   - Approval of Resolution 2015-5: Integrated Corridor Management Studies Addition: *Mr. Sickler made a motion seconded by Mr. Latko all were in favor.*
   - Approval of Resolution 2015-8: Old Route 219 over Cattaraugus Creek Bridge Replacement: *Mr. Sickler made a motion seconded by Mr. O’Brien*

7. **Discussion Items:**

   **Plans:**

   A) Metro Transportation Plan: Staff presented emerging development scenarios and how they impact the Metro Transportation Plan. Substantial work is underway to deliver the new plan for 2050, the development scenarios are direct input to new demographic forecasts.

   B) Transportation Projects: Preparation of the new Transportation Improvement Program continues, staff discussed outlook and potential for new projects to be added. Lack of federal longer term legislation is being accommodated with flat funding assumptions and a bandwidth of projects that can be adjusted.

   C) Integrated Corridor Management: Two major federal grants were recently awarded, scope of the initiative, planned outcomes and tools to be used were discussed.

   **Projects:**

   A) Construction Projects in 2015 Season: Outlook for construction and project implementation was reviewed. A significant 2015 construction season is now underway.

   B) Amherst-Buffalo Transit Options Study: Some evaluation results were provided. Schedule indicates study completion this year.

   C) NFTA Access Enhancement Study for Canalside & Cobblestone Districts: This study is also progressing, alternatives were presented.

   Regional Agencies Initiatives Report: Major Agencies provided a brief review on current initiatives.

9. **Other Business**

   No other business was noted at this time.

10. **Adjournment of Policy Meeting**

    *Mr. O’Brien moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Sickler, and all were in favor.*
GREATER BUFFALO - NIAGARA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL
POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING

Friday, December 11, 2015 10 AM – 12 PM
The Conference and Event Center Niagara Falls
101 Old Falls Street, Niagara Falls, NY 14303

Proposed Agenda

1. Roll Call
2. Public Comment on Action Items
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes
5. Secretary's Report

6. Action Items
   A) Approval of TIP Changes and Project Additions
   B) Approval of Human Services Transportation Plan 2015
   C) Approval of UPWP Budget Change
   D) Approval of Annual Memorandum of Understanding
   E) Election of Policy Committee Officers 2016

7. Discussion Items
   Plans:
   A) Transportation Improvement Program – Focusing Transportation Investment
   B) Managing Traffic in the BiNational Corridor
   C) GBNRTC Planning Work Program – Studies Completed and New Initiatives
   D) Public Transportation Studies and Emerging Projects
   E) Next Generation Transportation-Integrated Options
   F) National Freight Plan – Concepts and Discussion

   Projects:
   A) Construction Projects - 2015 Season Summary
   B) Legislation, Funding and Finance
   C) Regional Agencies Initiatives Report
      Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority
      New York State Thruway Authority
      New York State Department of Transportation
      Local Jurisdictions and Partners

8. Other Business
9. Next Meeting/ Adjournment of Policy Meeting
A meeting of the Greater Buffalo-Niagara Regional Transportation Council (GBNRTC) Policy Committee was held on December 11, 2015 at the Conference and Event Center Niagara Falls

The following GBNRTC Policy representatives were present:
Darrell Kaminski         NYSDOT
Doug Tokarcyzk          NYS Thruway Authority
Michael Finn            City of Buffalo
Tom George              NFTA
Kevin O’Brien           Niagara County
Tom DeSantis            Niagara Falls
Charles Sickler         Erie County

Others present were:
Hal Morse               GBNRTC
Amy Weymouth           GBNRTC
Rich Guarino           GBNRTC
Kelly Dixon            GBNRTC
JohnMichael Mulderig   GBNRTC
Mike Davis             GBNRTC
Athena Hutchins        NITTEC
Ramsey Kahi            NYSDOT
Jeffrey Amplement      NFTA
Doug Funke             Citizens for Regional Transit
Lynn Magdol            Citizens for Regional Transit
Sheila Ransbottom      Core Environmental
Jennifer Michniewicz    Clark Patterson Lee
Jeffrey Lebsack        Hatch Mott MacDonald

POLICY BOARD MEETING

1. **Roll Call**
   The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM

2. **Public Comment on Action Items**
   Members of the public were afforded an opportunity to speak publicly on the action items before the Council.

3. **Approval of Meeting Agenda (12/11/2015)**
   *Mr. Sickler moved to approve the meeting agenda, seconded by Mr. O’Brien and all were in favor.*
4. Approval of GBNRTC Policy Committee Meeting Minutes (12/11/2015)
   Mr. DeSantis moved to approve the minutes of December 11, 2015, seconded by Mr. Finn, and all were in favor.

5. Secretary’s Report
   Mr. Morse reviewed formal correspondence received from various agencies since the last meeting.

6. Action Items (Resolutions)
   A) The following proposed resolutions and actions have been recommended by the Planning and Coordinating Committee and have completed any required review process.

   - Approval of Resolution 2015-20 & 21: TIP Changes and Project Additions: Mr. O’Brien made the motion seconded by Mr. Sickler all were in favor.
   - Approval Resolution 2015-18: Human Services Transportation Plan: Mr. DeSantis made the motion seconded by Mr. Finn all were in favor.
   - Approval Resolution 2015-19: UPWP Budget Change; Mr. O’Brien made a motion seconded by Mr. George all were in favor.
   - Approval Resolution 2015-17: Annual Memorandum of Understanding; Mr. Finn made a motion seconded by Mr. DeSantis
   - Election of Officers: Mr. Finn made a motion seconded by Mr. George to nominate NYSDOT (Kaminski) for Policy Chair in 2016 and NYSTA (Tokarczyk) as Vice Chair. All were in favor.

7. Discussion Items:

   Plans:

   A) Transportation Improvement Plan: Staff presented TIP development schedule. A TIP guidebook has been developed and distributed to members.

   B) Managing Traffic in the BiNational Corridor: GBNRTC and NITTEC are cooperatively initiating a FHWA/NYSERDA funded project to provide advanced traffic management capabilities in the corridor. Staff discussed project intent, tools participants and schedule.

   C) GBNRTC Planning Work Program: A review of the work items completed in the last year as well as emerging activities in the program beginning in April 2016. A new UPWP would be approved prior to the April 1, 2016 fiscal year start.

   D) Public Transportation Studies and Emerging Projects: Several studies are nearing completion, initial findings and opportunity for emerging project was discussed.
E) Next Generation Transportation: Integrated Options: Staff provided a review of new approaches being deployed to integrate mobility options in the region.

F) National Freight Plan: A new plan at the national level is emerging, basic concepts and regional implications were discussed.

**Projects:**

A) Construction Projects in 2015 Season: A complete rundown of the capital projects completed and underway was reviewed.

B) Legislation, Funding and Finance: Highlights of new federal legislation and funding levels were reviewed.

C) Regional Agencies Initiatives Report: Opportunity for all agencies to provide reports on plans and projects in their jurisdiction.

8. **Other Business**
   No other business was noted at this time.

9. **Adjournment of Policy Meeting**
   *Mr. O’Brien moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. DeSantis, and all were in favor.*