I. PROCEEDINGS
   A) Pledge of Allegiance
   B) Roll Call
   C) Public Participation
   D) Approval of Meeting Agenda
   E) Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

II. ACTION ITEMS
   A) PIN 5760.67 Buffalo SRTS (Buffalo) – Approve minor scope change and cost increase as AdMod #14
   B) Resolution 2020-1 PIN 582483 Escalator Replacement & Rebuild and PIN 582484 Rehabilitation of Bus Support Facilities (NFTA) – Approve New Projects as Amendment #6
   C) Resolution 2020-2 PIN 582482 - NFTA LRRT
      Reconstruction/Improvement/Rehabilitation/Maintenance (NFTA) – Approve New Project as Amendment #7
   D) Resolution 2020-3 PIN 5813.61 NY 78 Transit Rd; French Rd to Ellicott Creek (NYSDOT) – Initiate 20-day Public Review of Revised Air Quality Conformity Document
   E) Resolution 2020-4 PIN 504527 Rt 104 and Rt 93 Intersection Improvements (NYSDOT) – Approve New Project as Amendment #9
   F) PIN TWSW20 NYSTA Striping Project – Initiate 20-day Public Review Period for New Project
   G) Recommendation of new UPWP Workscopes

III. DISCUSSION ITEMS
   A) TPS Action Item Approvals
   B) Freight Study Update
   C) Regional Bike Plan – Public Outreach events
   D) Light Rail Expansion EIS – Status and Public Hearings
   E) Current Year Federal Budget Agreement – Transportation Projects Funding
   F) Pending MPO Certification Review

IV. STATUS REPORTS/INFORMATION
   A) Member Agency Reports
   B) Director’s Report

NEXT MEETING CONFIRMATION: February 5, 2020 at Buffalo City Hall
MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 8, 2020 MEETING OF THE
GREATER BUFFALO-NIAGARA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL
PLANNING AND COORDINATING COMMITTEE (PCC)

A meeting of the Greater Buffalo-Niagara Regional Transportation Council Planning and Coordinating Committee was held on January 8, 2019 at the NFTA

The following GBNRTC-PCC representatives were present:

1. Ramsey Kahi                NYSDOT
2. Nolan Skipper               City of Buffalo
3. Scott Helser                NYSTA
4. Darren Kempner              NFTA
5. Norm Allen                  Niagara County
6. Darlene Svilokos            Erie County
7. Tom DeSantis                City of Niagara Falls

Others present were:

1. Rachel Maloney              NFTA
2. Athena Hutchins             NITTEC
3. Hal Morse                   GBNRTC
4. Rich Guarino                GBNRTC
5. JohnMichael Mulderig        GBNRTC
6. Amy Weymouth                GBNRTC
7. Kelly Dixon                 GBNRTC
8. Kirk Wilson                 Lu Engineers
9. Jeff Amplement              NFTA
10. Bob Belton                 NFTA CAC
11. Jim Gordon                 CRTC
12. Joe Buffamonte             NYSDOT
13. Tom Bender                 GPI
14. Dan Castle                 Erie County DEP
15. Fr. Jud Weiksnar OFM       Slow Roll
16. Doug Funke                 CRTC
17. John Dennee                EC DPW
18. Greg Stevens               NRG
19. Tom Heins                  HDR
20. Tom Pericak                Mott MacDonald
I. PROCEEDINGS

Mr. Allen called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

A) Pledge of Allegiance
B) Roll Call
C) Public Participation

Doug Funke spoke about Citizen for Region Transit’s annual meeting Thursday, January 16th from 5:30 – 7pm at which GBNRTC’s Kelly Dixon will be a speaker. All are invited to attend the meeting he said. CRT also verbalized support for the TIP projects.

Fr. Jud Weiksnar OFM spoke about keeping the Bike Plan as a continual discussion item at future meetings and to make biking (especially in winter and snow/slow role) in purview.

D) Approval of Meeting Agenda

All were in favor of a motion (NYSDOT/NC) to approve the meeting agenda.

E) Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

All were in favor of a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes. (NYSDOT/NC)

II. ACTION ITEMS

A) PIN 5760.67 Buffalo SRTS (Buffalo) – Approve minor scope change and cost increase as AdMod #14. All were in favor of a motion (COB/CNF) to approve.

B) Resolution 2020-1 PIN 582483 Escalator Replacement & Rebuild and PIN 582484 Rehabilitation of Bus Support Facilities (NFTA) – Approve New Projects as Amendment #6. All were in favor of a motion (NFTA/NYSDOT) to approve.

C) Resolution 2020-2 PIN 582482 - NFTA LRRT
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F) PIN TWSW20 NYSTA Striping Project – Initiate 20-day Public Review Period for New Project. All were in favor of a motion (NYSTA/NYS DOT) to approve.

G) Recommendation of new UPWP Workscopes. All were in favor of a motion (CNF/EC) to approve.

III. DISCUSSION ITEMS
A) TPS Action Item approvals from 12/18/19 meeting. Guarino noted:

- PIN 576238 Rt 5, Kensington Ave & Humbolt Parkway and Rt 62 @ Delevan
  o This was a NYSDOT request to delay the letting of this project from 4/15/20 to 4/15/21 due to P. Design not being completed - Approved as AdMod #15
- PIN 576269 Cheektowaga PSAP
  o This was a NYSDOT request to delay the letting of this project from 9/15/20 to 9/15/21 due to P. Design not being completed - Approved as AdMod #16
- PIN 576248 Bridge Bearings, NC
  o This was a NC request is to add $99K of matched funds to the construction phase of this exiting project to match low bid amount - Approved as AdMod #17

B) Freight Study Update. Guarino noted Freight Stakeholder Roundtable was held on 12/11/19. A draft report summarizing notable practices in metropolitan area freight planning for peer freight markets to Western New York (WNY) was received from the consultant on 12/26 and distributed to the Steering Committee for review and comments. The information presented will allow for comparisons across different criteria and fosters an understanding of innovative and comprehensive freight operations practices across markets that can be applied to and implemented in the WNY region. The overall study is about 50% complete.
C) Regional Bike Plan – Public Outreach events. Weymouth spoke about current work to date, upcoming public outreach meetings in February, and future plan goals and timeline.

D) Light Rail Expansion EIS – Maloney spoke about current and future status of EIS, NFTA January Board meeting and Public Hearings upcoming in February.

F) Current Year Federal Budget Agreement – Transportation Projects Funding levels were reviewed and are in line to support TIP projects. As previously noted, FAST Act expires this year, various proposals have been introduced, staff will monitor and brief the committee.

G) Pending MPO Certification Review. Morse noted that this will take place May 12th – 14th, 2020 and there will be an associated public meeting. The Review occurs every four years and is conducted by FHWA and FTA staff, includes discussions with GBNRTC committee members. Successful review is required to continue funding.

IV. STATUS REPORTS/INFORMATION
   A) Member Agency Reports. Kemper noted that starting January 11th, a catenary project will begin and require single tracking for a period of time. NFTA Police Exam is upcoming for anybody interested.

   B) Director’s Report. Morse noted status of Hamburg mobility HUB, TOD phase II is starting soon, and referenced Jan. 8 Governor’s State of the State.
GBNRTC-PCC Meeting Wednesday February 5, 2020 9:30AM
Buffalo City Hall – Room 901

DRAFT AGENDA

I. PROCEEDINGS
A) Pledge of Allegiance
B) Roll Call
C) Public Participation
D) Approval of Meeting Agenda
E) Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

II. ACTION ITEMS
A) PIN 5813.10 Large Culvert Replacements on US 20A & US 62 – Cost and Let Change (Approve as AdMod #18)
B) PIN 5813.63, PMI – NY 5; Big Tree Rd to Kane St – Minor Scope Change (Approve as AdMod #19)
C) PIN TWSW20 NYSTA Pavement Striping FFY 2020-2022 – New Project (Approve as Amendment #10)
D) Resolution 2020-7 Amended Air Quality Conformity Determination Document
E) PIN 581361 NY 78 (Transit Rd); French Rd To Ellicott Creek – Significant Scope Change (Approve as Amendment #8)
F) PIN 576176 Maple Rd from Hopkins Rd to Transit Rd – Cost Increase (Approve as AdMod # 20)
G) PIN 576204 Bridge Deck Overlays, Joint Repairs And Bearing Replacements – Cost Increase (Approve as AdMod # 21)
H) Resolution 2020-5 Recommend Approval of 2020-2022 UPWP

III. DISCUSSION ITEMS
A) Freight Study Update
B) BUILD Grant Announcement
C) Autonomous Vehicles Upcoming Events
D) Major Corridors Initiatives
E) City of North Tonawanda Traffic Discussions
F) 2020 Advocacy Agenda – Transportation Items
G) Some Issues in Federal Legislation and Funding

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NEXT MEETING CONFIRMATION: March 4, 2020  Erie County Public Works Dept
MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 5, 2020 MEETING OF THE
GREATER BUFFALO-NIAGARA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL
PLANNING AND COORDINATING COMMITTEE (PCC)

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The following GBNRTC-PCC representatives were present:

1. Ramsey Kahi, NYSDOT
2. Michael Finn, City of Buffalo
3. Sean Carrington, NYSTA
4. Garret Meal, Niagara County
5. Darren Kempner, NFTA
6. Darlene Svilokos, Erie County
7. Tom DeSantis, City of Niagara Falls

Others present were:

1. Athena Hutchins, NITTEC
2. Hal Morse, GBNRTC
3. Rich Guarino, GBNRTC
4. JohnMichael Mulderig, GBNRTC
5. Matt Grabau, GBNRTC
6. Lisa Kenney, GBNRTC
7. Kelly Thompson, Bergman Assoc.
8. Kirk Wilson, Lu Engineers
9. Norm Allen, Niagara County
10. Bob Belton, NFTA CAC
11. Jim Gordon, CRTC
12. Elizabeth Giles, CRTC
13. Doug Funke, CRTC
14. Tom Heinz, HDR
15. Ron Hayes, NYSDOT
I. PROCEEDINGS

Mr. Meal called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

A) Pledge of Allegiance
B) Roll Call
C) Public Participation

Doug Funke spoke about Citizen for Region Transit’s concern for the environment, noting the large percentage of greenhouse gas emissions that come from vehicles. With this in mind, the emphasized the need to invest in public transportation.

Jim Gordon from CRT said the NFTA has published the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Metro Rail Expansion and initiated a 60-day public comment period. The public comment period for the Draft EIS will be open until March 24, 2020. He asked for all to visit the website and provide feedback: https://www.nftametrorailexpansion.com/

D) Approval of Meeting Agenda

All were in favor of a motion (NFTA/EC) to approve the meeting agenda.

E) Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

All were in favor of a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes. (NFTA/EC)

II. ACTION ITEMS

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H) Resolution 2020-5 Recommend Approval of 2020-2022 UPWP. All were in favor of a motion (NYSDOT/COB) to approve.

III. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A) Freight Study Update.

Guarino noted an online Freight Stakeholders survey was developed and distributed. It includes 10 questions developed jointly by WSP and GBNRTC staff to supplement the hard data, help guide the gap analysis and recommendations and provide FHWA with input on final National Freight Strategic Plan. A summary for NFSP comments will be completed and sent to FHWA by February 10 deadline. The document summarizes notable practices in metropolitan area freight planning for four peer freight markets:

a. Kansas City, Missouri
b. Toledo, Ohio
c. Grand Rapids, Michigan
d. Bethlehem, Pennsylvania (Lehigh Valley)

These metropolitan areas were identified by the WNY Regional Freight Steering Committee as metropolitan areas with similar freight markets to WNY. Conclusions of the Peer city Review include MPOs are critical to communication and coordination between the public and private sectors; A Freight Advisory Committee can help to improve the efficiency and reliability of the regional freight network; We must understand the existing market, trends, and needs of the freight and logistics community; Locational advantages should be taken advantage of; A definitive and focused freight identity must be developed and promoted by the marketing and delivery of a consistent, focused message of regional strengths; Many of the “notable practices” discussed are already taking place in WNY. However current practices may need to be tweaked or modified in order to get desired results.
B) BUILD Grant Announcement.

Guarino noted that BUILD provides a unique opportunity for the DOT to invest in road, rail, transit and port projects that promise to achieve national objectives; grants awarded on a competitive basis to projects with a significant impact in their local or regional communities; in 10 years, congress has allocated $7.1B to the program and its predecessor (TIGER) for 554 projects; and $2.4B of the $7.1B has gone to 233 rural projects. Sponsors in New York State have received 19 Grants awards for $309.4M (Avg $30.9M/yr). Four (4) projects awarded a total of $56M in WNY. Full details for 2009-2019 awards are available from staff. History of all TIGER/BUILD applications also available from staff. Debrief for unsuccessful applications available from USDOT. Review of strong/weak parts of applications. Niagara County debrief scheduled for Feb. 7

2020 BUILD (dates are estimates)
   a. NOFA published in April
   b. Applications due in July
   c. Awards announced in January 2021
   d. Never too soon to start working on an application

C) Autonomous Vehicles Upcoming Events.

Kenney noted the following: City of Buffalo’s The Future of Mobility: Remaking Buffalo for the 21st Century charrette workshops, February 26 and 29. Federal Highway Administration Data Business Plan for Buffalo Niagara workshop, April 22. FHWA Preparing for Connected and Autonomous Vehicles in Buffalo Niagara workshop, March-April. FHWA webinar: Connected and Autonomous Vehicles: Local Implementation, Feb. 6 @1pm. GBNRTC’s Smart Mobility Newsletter: bit.ly/36wFBJi or email LKenney@gbnrtc.org. Automated Vehicles Symposium, July 17-30, San Diego automatedvehiclessymposium.org

D) Major Corridors Initiatives.

Morse spoke about the Skyway/Route 5 Environmental Impact Statement, specifically the scoping meeting for Participating Agencies held on January 23, questions/comments addressed; the public Scoping meetings held January 28 – 29 (Substantial attendance, display boards reviewed scope and breadth of options); purpose to realign existing network to support waterfront development and address transportation needs; and two year timeframe for EIS using One Federal Decision process.
Morse also spoke about Scanaquada Corridor, specifically noting that it is not a redesign of the Route 198 project, a regional planning issue. He mentioned the MPO is tasked to address wider range of interests and stakeholders and will develop a comprehensive vision, identify transportation and access options, and engage a wide range of stakeholders. Steering Committee established, in house data collection underway, numerous outreach meetings held or scheduled. Consultant assistance being sought to synthesize information into vision, create transportation options, and support communications.

E) City of North Tonawanda Traffic Discussions.

Grabau spoke about ongoing traffic studies involving River Road and Twin Cities Highway.

F) 2020 Advocacy Agenda – Transportation Items.

Morse noted the significance of Buffalo Niagara Partnership 2020 Advocacy Agenda, emphasizing key transportation and infrastructure positions including transportation funding; border efficiency; and regional priority projects such as Agriculture Industrial Park with Complete Streets & Intermodal Connectivity, Cars Sharing Main Street Completion, Metro Rail Extension, Niagara County Rural Bridges Initiative, and Niagara Scenic Parkway – Riverway Phase 2 & Hyde Park Roundabout.

G) Some Issues in Federal Legislation and Funding.

Morse mentioned that the FAST Act expires Sept 30, 2020. Senate EPW last summer agreed on new terms. First time in nearly 15 years would significantly increase investment in traditional core highway accounts and create several new initiatives and pilot programs. No action at this time. Morse also spoke about AASHTO Fast Act Reauthorization Core Policy Principals; Moving Forward Framework for the People; other significant investments; and Governor Cuomo Announces $151 Million in Funding to Renew Roads Statewide Impacted by Extreme Weather Events.

IV. STATUS REPORTS/INFORMATION

A) Member Agency Reports

Kahi noted that NYSDOT has a lot of projects moving forward.

Huthcins mentioned NITTEC is moving forward with the Advanced Transportation and Congestion Management Technologies Deployment (ATCMTD) with WSP as a consultant. There will be an upcoming stakeholder meeting on March 6th.
Finn emphasized to slow down in school zones with new school zone cameras and accompanying $50 fine for speeding in school zones in the City of Buffalo.

Kemper noted that the NFTA received federal funding portions and they are flat. Kemper also mentioned that Governor Cuomo issued a $3 million dollar grant to the NFTA for Customer Service. Finally, Kemper said the NFTA Metro Rail Expansion public meetings are coming up Feb. 25th & 26th.

B) Director’s Report. Morse noted that the Bike Plan Draft is available with accompanying draft maps. Bike Buffalo Niagara Meeting held last night (2/4) in Lockport and tonight (2/5) in Orchard Park. Dona St. to Woodlawn TAP Grant application; and Section 5310 – Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program Grant Opportunity solicitation.

NEXT MEETING CONFIRMATION: March 4, 2020   Erie County Public Works Dept
GBNRTC-PCC Meeting Wednesday March 4, 2020 9:30AM
Erie County Public Works
Rath Building – Buffalo, New York

DRAFT AGENDA

I. PROCEEDINGS
   A) Pledge of Allegiance
   B) Roll Call
   C) Public Participation
   D) Approval of Meeting Agenda
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II. ACTION ITEMS
   A) PIN 576239 Niagara Street Sustainable Corridor Phase 4A Administrative Modification
   B) NFTA Program Realignment for FFY 2020
   C) PIN 576159 Walden Ave; Genesee St to Sycamore St

III. DISCUSSION ITEMS
   A) TPS Action Item Summary
   B) Freight Study Progress and Outlook
   C) 2020 BUILD Grant Program Announced
   D) New Technology Deployments and Regional Integration
   E) ATCMTD Planning Phase
   F) Regional Bike Plan – Network Development
   G) CNU Future of Mobility sessions - Results
   H) Seasonal Traffic Count Program
   I) Potential Funding Opportunities Upcoming
   J) New Work Program Startup

IV. STATUS REPORTS/INFORMATION
   A) Member Agency Reports
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NEXT MEETING CONFIRMATION: April 1, 2020 NYSDOT