

October 9, 2025 – 10:30 a.m.
Board of Directors Minutes
Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments

Attendance record for OKI board members along with guests and staff follows the minutes.

Item #1A Administrative

President Josh Gerth called the meeting to order at 10:32 a.m. Council member Susan Vaughn, City of Hamilton, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Gerth thanked members who attended last month's Much In Common event. He next shared that ODOT's Access Ohio 2050, which is the long-range transportation plan for the state will host two meetings in Cincinnati on Thursday, October 30th in the boardroom of the Sawyer Point Building. The stakeholder meeting (all board members invited) will start at 1pm and the public open house begins at 4pm.

Item #1B Approval of September 11, 2025, Executive Committee meeting minutes

President Gerth requested approval of the September 11 Executive Committee meeting minutes as distributed. Commissioner Stephanie Summerow Dumas, Hamilton County provided a motion with a second from Council member Mark Jeffreys, City of Cincinnati; motion passed.

Item #1C CEO's Report

OKI CEO Mark Policinski shared at the September Executive Committee meeting Mr. Sam Wallace, of the Federal Highway Administration, provided in-person topline findings of OKI's recertification review (which occurs every four years). Mr. Policinski noted the importance of recertification - without it, OKI cannot expend federal dollars to your jurisdictions. Mr. Policinski shared a quote that Mr. Wallace provided for the press release which reads "OKI continues to set a standard for metropolitan planning organizations nationwide." Mr. Policinski noted that it is not typical for FHWA to compare MPOs publicly or privately and especially in a press release. However, Mr. Wallace said that everyone knows that OKI sets the standard for MPOs.

*OKI received six commendations that were outlined in the September executive committee meeting minutes.

Mr. Policinski introduced OKI's newest employee, Ms. Pamela Madaha, a GIS specialist who earned her master's degree from Kent State. Pamela is originally from Tanzania.

Lastly, Mr. Policinski shared that Bob Koehler, OKI's deputy executive director is celebrating his 40-year anniversary with OKI next week (October 14). Mr. Policinski credited Mr. Koehler with creating the Prioritization Process which FHWA has noted is a Best Practice – as it allows projects to get into the ground faster through selecting applications most qualified for federal funding – the past 22 years, OKI has invested in about 1 billion in transportation dollars in the region's communities using the Prioritization Process. Mr. Policinski further noted that Mr. Koehler is a visionary engineer whose intellect, fairness, drive, honesty, patience and leadership have

benefited the OKI staff and stakeholders. Mr. Policinski presented Mr. Koehler with an engraved crystal award that was met with an applause from members.

Item #1D Finance Officer's Report

Director Hannum shared that she was going to begin presenting the financial reports differently (July being the start of the new fiscal year). She said previously, the reports were presented by comparing year to date revenues and expenses against an accumulated budget while identifying any variances over/under 10%. She noted that this way of reporting often resulted in timing differences as the main reason for the variance. Moving forward, instead she will highlight significant activities that occurred throughout the month and how that affects the financial statements.

She noted that the financial report distributed contains July and August financial statements, she will be reporting only on August statements along with current cash information. As of October 3, 2025, OKI had:

\$388,080 - PNC Bank Commercial Checking Account

\$7,246 - PNC HSA/FSA Checking Account

\$1,038,733 - STAR Ohio Money Market Mutual Fund Account

Director Hannum reported there has been no recent activity on OKI's line of credit and no outstanding balance at report date. She further reported on Balance Sheet, Revenue and Expense information.

President Gerth requested a motion to approve the financial report. Judge Executive Gary Moore, Boone County provided a motion with a second from Resident member Tony Simms Howell; motion passed.

Item #2 Selection of Ohio STBG/CMAQ/TA and Kentucky STBG/TA Projects Using OKI-Allocated Federal Funds to be included in the OKI FY 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program

OKI staff members Andy Reser and Summer Jones presented the projects that were awarded federal funds. Mr. Reser noted the awards totaled \$82 million; the average is \$50 million – 52 of 62 applications were awarded. New this year is the Repaving Pilot Program, with all fifteen Ohio and seven Kentucky applications recommended for funding. The resolution reflects the following projects selected:

Ohio STBG/CMAQ federally Funded projects:

Project Name	Federal Funds	Local Match
Anderson Township-Clough Pike & Eight Mile Road Intersection Improvements	\$756,160	20%
Butler County Engineer-County Wide Signal Upgrades Phase 2	\$1,111,110	30%
Butler County Regional Transit Authority-ECO RIDE Bus Replacements	\$6,000,000	20%
Butler County TID-North B at Rhea and Gordon Improvements	\$3,999,072	20%
Cincinnati-Gilbert Avenue Safety Project Phase 2	\$6,000,000	20%
Cincinnati-Victory Parkway Improvements Taft to Gilbert	\$6,000,000	20%

Forest Park-Sharon Winton Multi-Use Path	\$1,027,488	30%
Harrison-Harrison Signals	\$706,335	20%
Lebanon-US42 Lebanon Signals	\$974,400	30%
Loveland-Loveland Madeira Corridor Improvements Phase 2	\$4,215,630	20%
Mason-Mason Montgomery Rd & Socialville Fosters Rd Safety Improvements	\$1,829,171	40%
Monroe-State Route 63 Signal Upgrades	\$1,527,979	20%
Trenton-SR73 Widening	\$428,039	20%
Great Parks of Hamilton County-Ohio River Trail-Oasis Corridor Phase 2	\$6,000,000	20%
Hamilton County Engineer-Western Hills Viaduct Replacement	\$6,000,000	20%
SORTA-Hybrid Bus Transition Project	\$5,771,071	40%
SORTA-Paratransit Bus Replacement Project	\$1,971,613	40%

Ohio STBG repaving federally funded projects with local match paid with Toll Revenue Credits (TRC)

Project Name	Federal Funds	Local Match
Anderson Twp-Newtown Road Resurfacing	\$621,500	TRC
Butler County Engineer-Cincinnati Dayton Road Paving	\$800,000	TRC
Blue Ash-Reed Hartman Hwy Repaving Project	\$800,000	TRC
Cincinnati-Eggleston Avenue Resurfacing Project	\$800,000	TRC
Deer Park-Galbraith Road Resurfacing	\$800,000	TRC
Forest Park-West Kemper Road Resurfacing	\$800,000	TRC
Hamilton-Park Avenue Repaving	\$800,000	TRC
Lebanon-Deerfield Road Resurfacing	\$457,640	TRC
Mason-Mason Montgomery Rd Resurfacing	\$800,000	TRC
Middletown-South University Boulevard Repaving	\$800,000	TRC
Trenton-Hamilton Trenton Road Resurfacing	\$800,000	TRC
Clermont County Engineer-Amelia Olive Branch Rd & Clough Pike Resurfacing	\$800,000	TRC
Hamilton County-Neeb Road Resurfacing	\$546,920	TRC
Woodlawn-Glendale Milford Road Resurfacing Project	\$782,344	TRC
Warren County Engineer-Columbia Road (CR15) Resurfacing	\$786,358	TRC

Ohio TA federally funded projects:

Project Name	Federal Funds	Local Match
Cincinnati-Ohio River Trail through Sawyer Point and Yeatman's Cove	\$1,000,000	50%
Hamilton-RiversEdge Marcum to Black Street Connection	\$998,447	20%
Lebanon-Miller Road Multi-Use Trail	\$969,777	20%
Miami Twp-Pedestrian Crossing Safety Improvements at the Intersection of Loveland Miamiville Rd and Branch Hill Guinea Pk	\$89,797	20%
Pierce Twp-Jenny Lind Sidewalk	\$700,365	20%
Woodlawn-Chester Rd & Marion Rd Improvements	\$520,442	20%

Kentucky STBG (SNK) federally funded projects:

Project Name	Federal Funds	Local Match
Boone County-Oakbrook Road Multi-Use Path Phase 1	\$1,709,600	20%
Cold Spring-US27 (Alexandria Pike) Downing Street Realignment	\$1,496,280	20%

Dayton-Riverfront Commons Levee Trail Widening and Improvements	\$1,177,136	20%
Ft. Mitchell-Beechwood Road Sidewalk Widening & Traffic Calming	\$1,071,026	20%
Ft. Mitchell-Dixie Highway Sidewalk Replacement and Widening	\$1,391,324	20%
Transit Authority of Northern Kentucky (TANK)-Replacement of Fixed-Route Buses	\$3,151,738	20%

Kentucky STBG (SNK) Repaving federally funded projects:

Project Name	Federal Funds	Local Match
Boone County-Cayton Road Resurfacing	\$212,920	20%
Covington-Covington Pike Street Repaving	\$244,686	20%
Crestview Hills-Centre View Boulevard Roadway Repaving	\$403,839	20%
Edgewood-Edgewood Thomas More Parkway Repaving	\$451,310	20%
Fort Thomas-North Fort Thomas Repaving	\$369,945	20%
Fort Wright-Fort Wright Highland Avenue Repaving	\$227,246	20%
Independence-Independence Troopers Xing Repaving	\$166,429	20%

Kentucky TA federally funded projects:

Project Name	Federal Funds	Local Match
Villa Hills-Highwater Road Sidewalk	\$580,362	20%

President Gerth requested a motion for OKI Resolution 2025-29. Council member Susan Vaughn, City of Hamilton provided a motion with a second from Council member Floyd Croucher, City of Trenton; motion passed.

Item #3 Amendment #1 of the OKI 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan Update

Mr. Bob Koehler, Deputy Executive Director stated the Plan's first amendment since its adoption in June 2024, completes a gap in the existing plan for SR-48 in Warren County to include widening of the bridge over Turtle Creek and the Little Miami River. The network coding does include the section as four lanes, so the emission analysis conducted in the original plan will be used. SR-48 will be widened from Mason-Morrow-Millgrove Road to Ridgeview from two to four lanes which is an increase of \$27.2 million. He noted the additional \$27.2 million is considered in the updated fiscal constraint, which is a USDOT requirement. He stated a Public meeting was held on 10/7/25 at the OKI office – to date, we have not received any feedback from the public.

President Gerth requested a motion for OKI Resolution 2025-30. A motion was provided by Kurt Weber, Warren County Engineer with a second from Council member Victor Wilson, North College Hill; motion passed.

Item #4 – Intermodal Coordinating Committee Report

Mr. Andy Reser, OKI staff shared the ICC committee met on Tuesday, October 7th and approved TIP Administrative modification and recommended for Board approval three resolutions as follows: STBG/CMAQ TA funded projects, Amendment #1 for the OKI 2050 Plan and TIP Amendment #3.

Item #5 – Amendment #3 to the OKI Fiscal Years 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Plan

Mr. Andy Reser said that Amendment #3 contains 6 highway projects and 3 transit projects described as follows:

- Adds detailed design phase and revises funding for I-75 at Milliken interchange project (PID 113647)
- Adds detailed design phase and revises funding for the New Richmond US 52 roundabout project (PID 114042)
- Adds right of way phase and moves funding from construction to right of way for the Sharonville Reading Road Improvements Project (PID 119072)
- Revises funding for Phase 8D of ODOT's Mill Creek Expressway I-75 reconstruction (PID 121447)
- Adds a new project to reduce congestion on I-275 by constructing a new connector between Reed Hartman Hwy and I-71 (PID 121926)
- Adds SR 48 widening project (PID 117567)
- Removes Butler Co. RTA sub award (PIC 118006)
- Revises funding for real-time arrival integration project for Cincinnati Streetcar (PID 123010)
- Removes Uptown Smart Hub project as requested by SORTA (PID 109079)

President Gerth requested a motion for OKI Resolution 2025-31. Commissioner Kevin Turner, Dearborn, Indiana provided a motion with a second from Resident member Roger Kerlin; motion passed.

Item #9 Other Business

There was no other business from the floor.

Item #10 Adjournment

President Gerth requested a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Stephanie Summerow Dumas, Hamilton County provided a motion with a second from Council member Victor Wilson, North College Hill; motion passed.

End of meeting 11:15 a.m.

2025 Attendance

Y=Attended E=Excused R=Represented (Board meetings are Jan., April, June and Oct.; blue dates are Executive Committee mtgs)

Executive Committee members (in blue) are permitted an Alternate; board-only members do not have alternates per Articles of Agreement.

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County Planning Commissions (9)	First Name	Last Name	Exec. Comm. Alternate										
				Jan. 9 - Board	Feb. 13 - E.C.	Mar. 13 - E.C.	Apr. 10 - Board	May 8 - E.C.	June 12 - Board	Sept. 11 - E.C.	Oct. 9 - Board	Nov. 13 - E.C.	
Boone Co. Planning Commission	Randy	Bessler		Y	Y	E	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		
Butler County Planning Commission	David C.	Fehr											
Campbell County Planning & Zonning Commission	Sharon	Haynes		Y	Y	Y	Y		Y	Y	Y		
Clermont County Planning Commission	Darrin	Hinners											
Dearborn County Planning Commission	Nicole	Daily		E	E	E	E	E	Y	E	Y		
Hamilton County Regional Planning Commission	David	Okum	Steve Goodin	Y	Y		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		
Kenton County Planning Commission	Gailen	Bridges		Y		Y			Y		Y		
PDS of Kenton County	Joshua Wice effective Sept. 2025	replaced Sharmili Reddy	Andy Videkovich	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y			
Warren County Regional Planning Commission	Ryan	Cook	Christian Pajo	Y	E	Y	Y	R	R	R	R		
Municipal Planning Commissions 40,000 + population (4)	First Name	Last Name	Exec. Comm. Alternate										
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City of Cincinnati Planning Commission	Emily	Ahouse		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		
City of Fairfield Planning Commission	Greg	Kathman		Y			Y	E	Y	E	Y		
City of Hamilton Planning Commission	Laura	Nelson		E	E		Y						
City of Middletown Planning Commission	Claire	Fetters		Y	E		Y		Y		Y		

Voting Ex-Officio Members (3)	First Name	Last Name	Exec. Comm. Alternate	Jan. 9 - Board	Feb. 13 - E.C.	Mar. 13 - E.C.	Apr. 10 - Board	May 8 - E.C.	June 12 - Board	Sept. 11 - E.C.	Oct. 9 - Board	Nov. 13 - E.C.
Indiana Department of Transportation	Chris	Wahlman	Terry Summers		Y	R		Y	Y	Y		
Kentucky Transportation Cabinet	Robert	Yeager	Mike Bezold	Y	Y	E	Y	Y	R	Y		
Ohio Department of Transportation	Doug	Gruver	Scott Brown	Y	Y	R		R	Y	Y	R	
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Butler County RTA	Christopher	Lawson	Matthew Dutkevicz		Y		Y		Y	Y	Y	
SORTA (Southwest Ohio Regional Transit Authority)	Andrew Aiello effective Sept. 2025	replaced Darryl Haley	Khaled Shammout	Y	Y	R	Y	Y	E	E	Y	
TANK (Transit Authority of Northern KY)	Gina	Douthat	TBA	Y	Y	Y	E	Y	Y	Y	Y	
Resident Members (20)												
Resident member	Craig	Beckley		Y	E	E	E	E	Y		Y	
Resident member, The Port	Laura N.	Brunner		Y			Y	E	E		E	
Resident member	Jeff	Earlywine		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		Y	
Resident member, Boone County Engineer	Rob	Franxman		Y	E	E	E	Y	E	Y	Y	
Resident member, Warren County Board of Commissioners	Shannon	Jones										
Resident member	Liz	Keating		E		Y	Y		Y		Y	
Resident member	Roger	Kerlin	Chris Reinersman	E	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
Resident member, Dearborn County Chamber of Commerce	Eric	Kranz		Y					Y		Y	
Resident member	Henry (Hank) E.	Menninger, Jr.		Y	Y	Y	E	Y	Y	Y	Y	

<u>Guests</u>	<u>OKI Staff</u>
Jim Lukas, City of Sharonville	L. Platt
Lauren O'Brien, Verdantas	David Shuey
Emily Lauder milk, Clermont County	Julia Brossart
Jeff Wallace, Woolpert	David Rutter
Matt Kremer, Fort Thomas	Bob Koehler
Nick Okuley, City of Mason	Jenny Newcomb
Stansilav Beresford, City of Trenton	Regina Fields
Lilah Foley, Hamilton County	Katie Hannum
Aubry Petree, Hamilton County	Travis Miller
	Jersson Pachar
	Elizabeth Niese
	Timothy Stautberg
	Andy Meyer
	Summer Jones
	Samantha Sheppard
	Rachel Stuckey
	Brett Porter
	Liren Zhou
	Suzanne Parkey
	Robyn Bancroft