



**Duluth-Superior Metropolitan Interstate Council  
Policy Board**

Wednesday, September 18th, 2019 6:30 pm  
Rice Lake City Hall  
Rice Lake, MN  
**Meeting Summary**

<b>Note Taker(s)</b>	Barb Peterson	
<b>Members Present</b>		
	Broc Allen	Douglas County Suburban Townships
	Ed Anderson	City of Superior – Citizen Rep
<b>Chair</b>	Nick Baker	Douglas County Board of Supervisors
	Warren Bender	Superior Common Council
	Wayne Boucher	City of Hermantown
	Pete Clark	Douglas County Board of Supervisors
	Earl Elde	St. Louis County Suburban Townships
	Zack Filipovich	Duluth City Council
	Rosemary Lear	Douglas County Board of Supervisors
	Dan Olson	Superior Common Council
	Sam Pomush	Douglas County Board of Supervisors
	Bob Quade	City of Rice Lake
	Tom Szukis	DTA
	Jenny VanSickle	Superior Common Council
	Chad Ward	City of Proctor
	Jim Filby Williams	City of Duluth
<b>Members Absent</b>		* Excused Absence
<b>Others Present</b>		
	Ron Chicka	MIC Director
	James Gittemeier	MIC Principal Planner
	Sheldon Johnson	MIC Deputy Director/NWRPC
	Barb Peterson	MIC Admin Asst
	Mike Wenholz	MIC Sr Planner



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### 1. Introductions/Agenda Review

Chair Nick Baker called the meeting to order at 6:31pm. All meeting attendees introduced themselves.

### 2. Committee Business

- Meeting Summary of 8.21.19 (for Approval)

<b>Motion Discussion and Vote</b>	Sam Pomush/Zack Filipovich moved to approve the 8.21.19 meeting summary. There was no discussion; the motion was approved unanimously.
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- Director's Report**

Ron Chicka reminded everyone of the Twin Ports Freight Showcase on Oct 25<sup>th</sup>. Many informative sessions; see agenda and preregister.

He also mentioned that he is actively involved in the DLH Airport Master Plan committee.

Also reminded everyone of the ARDC 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration on October 24<sup>th</sup>. All board members are invited.

### 3. 2020 Duluth-Superior MIC Work Program

Ron provided a brief review of the items in the 2020-2021 Work Program. He also mentioned the additional dollars the MIC has to work with over the next possibly 2 years. He noted that a rough 2021 will be added.

With no questions or discussion, he asked for a motion to approve.

<b>Motion Discussion and Vote</b>	Zack Filipovich/Warren Bender moved to approve the 2020 Duluth-Superior Work Program. There was no discussion. The motion was approved unanimously.
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### 4. 2019-2022 Superior Area TIP Amendment #10 - 13

Sheldon Johnson quickly reviewed by 4 projects being amended and then asked for a motion.

<b>Motion Discussion and Vote</b>	Rosemary Lear/Sam Pomush moved to approve Amendments #10-13 to the 2019-2022 Superior Area TIP. There was no discussion. The motion was approved unanimously.
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### 5. Campus Connector Trail Plan

James Gittemeier explained that this has been a joint effort between the City of Duluth and the MIC. The City of Duluth was the lead. He also explained that the City was asking that the MIC Policy Board give its approval of the Plan after the Parks & Rec had done so. Since the Parks & Rec committee ran out of time at their current meeting this approval will be postponed until the October MIC meeting.

James then shared the history of this project which came out of the recommendations from the 2006 Rice Lake Rd Corridor Study. He then explained how this proposed project had been divided into 6 sections and how parts of the project will be included in the upcoming street preservation and reconstruction projections. James included in this discussion some of the barriers/issues with parts of the projects.

### 6. Sustainable Choices 2045 – LRTP Committee

Mike Wenholz gave a brief summary of the work that is currently going on; the public comment period is ended and now the MIC staff will be working on finishing up this plan in order to present it for approval at the October TAC & MIC meetings.

### 7. Harbor Planning Update

Mike Wenholz announced that Ed Anderson had volunteered to be the Vice-Chair of the Harbor Technical Advisory Committee (HTAC). Mike continued to review the agenda items of the September HTAC meeting.

### 8. Roundtable Discussion

Twin Ports Freight Showcase – September 25th  
ARDC 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration – October 24th

### 9. Project Updates (see meeting materials for details)

- Duluth – First Street Conversion
- Superior's Active Transportation Project
- Rice Lake Corridor Study
- Pedestrian Plan Update

10. Adjourn: With no further agenda items, discussions or announcements, Chair Baker adjourned the meeting at 7:45 pm.