MEMBERS PRESENT: Tom Bodensteiner, Bob Burns, Matt Fitting, Dave Kallemeyn, Kathy McDaniel, Mike Pendo and Chad Ratigan

MEMBERS ABSENT: Ray Dvorak, Ky Gossard, Adeline Kalmback, and Wes Rick

STAFF PRESENT: Kip Harrington, Patsy Horton, Sandy Smith and Katie Parker – Rapid City Community Planning and Development Services

OTHERS PRESENT: Brad Remmich – South Dakota Department of Transportation and Ritchie Nordstrom – Rapid City City Council.

Fitting called the meeting to order at 7:33 a.m.

General Public Comment
Ratigan inquired about the process to have one of their buses used for public transportation for those in the area with disabilities. Horton stated that she would provide information on that process.

Horton informed the committee that John Rehorst with the South Dakota Department of Transportation would not be in attendance to provide information on item number seven on the agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF DECEMBER 17, 2015 MEETING
Kallemeyn moved, Pendo seconded and motion carried unanimously to approve the minutes from the December 17, 2015 meeting.

16TP001 – Authorize staff to apply for the Walkability Action Institute Grant. Smith explained to the committee that the Walkability Action Institute is designed to assist Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO) with policy, systems and environment strategies to promote walkability throughout the region. Smith went on to say that if awarded the grant to attend the Walkability Action Institute in Atlanta, Georgia, April 26-28, 2016, the Rapid City MPO team will fulfill the necessary requirements before and after the Walkability Action Institute. There will be pre-institute orientations, webinars, and research work to be completed. After the institute there will be follow-up webinar participation, progress reporting, and implementation of the plans that were created for the Rapid City region. Discussion ensued.

Bodensteiner entered the meeting.

McDaniel moved, Bodensteiner seconded and motion carried unanimously to recommend authorizing staff to apply for the Walkability Action Institute Grant.

16TP002 – Recommend approving the Fiscal Year 2015 Annual Listing of Obligated Projects. Harrington informed the committee that each year the Rapid City Area Metropolitan Planning Organization is required to develop the Annual Listing of Obligated Transportation Projects identifying the status of the transportation projects shown in the Transportation Improvement Program for fiscal year 2015.

Pendo moved, Burns seconded and motion carried unanimously to recommend approval of the Fiscal Year 2015 Annual Listing of Obligated Projects.
16TP003 – Recommend approving the Meade County Master Transportation Plan - Final. Harrington apprised the plan that provides guidance on how to strategically maintain and expand the transportation system to accommodate the anticipated future conditions, and serves as an update to and expansion of the first transportation plan completed in 2008 in Meade County. Discussion ensued.

Burns moved, Bodensteiner seconded and motion carried to recommend approving the Meade County Master Transportation Plan - Final.

16TP004 – Recommend acknowledging the 2015 Traffic Count Book. Harrington noted that this report provides the public and business community with traffic count data to help them make more informed decisions.

McDaniel moved, Pendo seconded and motion carried unanimously to recommend acknowledging the 2015 Traffic Count Book.

16TP005 – Recommend acknowledging the 2016-2019 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment #16-002A. Harrington advised that this amendment combines two pavement marking projects into one project and adds 3.5 miles of roadway to a Roadway Safety Improvement Project.

Bodensteiner moved, McDaniel seconded and motion carried unanimously to recommend acknowledging the 2016-2019 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment #16-002A.

Election of Vice Chair

Fitting opened the nominations for Vice Chair.

Burns moved, McDaniel seconded and motion carried unanimously to elect Bodensteiner as Vice Chair.

Other Business

Update on Construction Projects
Remmich provided information on the current construction projects within the Rapid City area.

Bodensteiner expressed concern about some bridge work being done on Dyess Ave, with Horton responding that she would check with the Public Works Department on these concerns.

Update on Planning Projects
Harrington provided an update on the current planning projects within the Rapid City area. Discussion ensued.

Harrington encouraged the committee to attend the Public Workshop concerning the Ellsworth Air Force Base Joint Land Use Study this evening from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Black Hills Visitor Information Center.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:59 a.m.