



Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting

Wednesday, March 20, 2019
Library Station

Attending: Cherry Warren (Barry), Steve Walensky (Barry), Todd Wiesehan (Christian), Roger Bradley (Dallas), Hollie Elliott (Dallas), Joel Keller (Greene), Jon Holmes (Lawrence), Sydney Allen (Polk), Rick Davis (Polk), Dennis Wood (Stone), Jerry Harman (Stone), Buddy Roberts (Taney), Rick Ziegenfuss (Taney), Randy Owens (Webster), John Benson (Webster)

Steve Seaton (Stone Alternate), Stan Whitehurst (Webster Alternate)

Dana Louderbaugh (Fair Grove), Zeke Hall (MoDOT), Travis Koestner (MoDOT), Frank Miller (MoDOT), Beth Schaller (MoDOT), Carl Carlson (Olsson), Andy Thomason (OTO), Wayne Blades (Stone), Hank Smythe (Stone), Jason Ray (SMCOG), Megan Clark (SMCOG), Adam Olinger (SMCOG), Bailey DeJonge (SMCOG), Thomas Hughes (SMCOG)

The meeting was called to order by Chair Wood at 9:00 a.m.

1. Introductions & Pledge

Self-introductions were made.

2. Approval of the agenda:

Motion to approve the agenda made by Buddy Roberts, motion seconded by John Benson. All yeas. Motion carried.

3. Approval of minutes:

Motion to approve the January 16, 2019 meeting minutes made by Rick Ziegenfuss, motion seconded by Buddy Roberts. All yeas. Motion carried.

4. MoDOT Planning Partners meeting:

Megan Clark presented information from the MoDOT Planning Partners meeting that included updates to funding formulas, a proposed bridge program, and the FAST Act rescission.

5. SMCOG Staff Update:

SMCOG is in the process of updating county transportation needs. Megan Clark presented the current list of needs for each county. The list and survey to report needs can be found on the SMCOG website. Deadline for survey submission is May 1, 2019.

The TAC was presented with two exercises. The first focused on project delays if cuts to funding were to occur in the future. The committee agreed that resurfacing projects should be delayed, and bridge projects need to be made the top priority. The second exercise presented a situation where future funding was maintained or increased. All members agreed that using the current list of prioritized needs would be an acceptable plan of action.

Other items of interest were discussed including a list of major bridges that need attention in the next ten years and MoDOT's asset management summary. Current Missouri House and Senate bills that could potentially fund transportation improvements were also presented.

6. MoDOT Update

Beth Schaller presented information on the design build project for I-44 bridges. This project includes replacement of twelve bridges and rehabilitation of seven bridges, most of which are in the Lawrence County portion of I-44. One lane will remain open for each direction of travel, but major delays can be expected intermittently. Detours will be provided for large trucks and emergency

vehicles. Total project cost is \$36 million. Expected completion date is December 15, 2021.

7. MPO Update

Andy Thomason spoke about OTO's efforts in adapting to changes in the funding formula and STIP updates. Prioritization of projects is currently underway to account for these changes.

8. Other Member Updates & Guest Reports

Rick Ziegenfuss asked when the next Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission meeting was to be held. Travis Koestner announced that the next MHTC meeting would be held on April 2nd at the University Plaza Hotel in Springfield.

9. Adjourn by Chairman

Meeting was adjourned at 10:05 a.m. by Chair Wood.

The next meeting will be May 15, 2019 at 9 a.m. at Library Station in Springfield.