



TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
Alumni Center – Hospitality Room, June 11th, 2008

Attending: George Cutbirth, Eric Kellstadt, Frank Miller, Burt Pitchford, Andrew Seiler, Stacy Burks, Jenni Jones, Natasha Longpine, Frank Washburn, Bill Marshall, Steve McIntosh, Nancy Edson, Scott Kosky, Stan Whitehurst, Billy Dryer

SMCOG Staff: Dave Faucett, Diane May

INTRODUCTIONS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes from March 12th, 2007: No Quorum Present

OZARK TRANSPORTATION ORGANIZATION (OTO) – NATASHA LONGPINE

Natasha Longpine

Natasha talked about the new Executive Director Tim Conklin. He will be at the next meeting, and they are very pleased with him. EPA will be in town on Friday June 13.

MODOT UPDATE – ERIC KELLSTADT/FRANK MILLER

Eric Kellstadt

Nothing to report.

Frank Miller

Nothing to report.

OATS-Scott Kosky

Mr. Kosky reported that riders are increasing.

LEGISLATIVE REPORTS

Senator Bond's Office—Stacy Burks

Stacy talked about drilling in ANWAR so that US gas prices would decrease. Senator Bond is in favor of drilling. Ms. Burks also reported on the upcoming election and conserving energy. State is going to have to do something with funding for highways in Missouri.

Congressman Blunt's Office—Steve McIntosh

Mr. McIntosh said that Blunt is in favor of drilling in ANWAR to lower gas prices. He also reported that Missouri does not have good alternative transportation and we need to do something about this issue.

Senator McCaskill's Office—David Rauch

Mr. Rauch talked about public assistance for the counties that have been hit by the tornadoes. He also spoke about the effects of high gas prices.

TDD Presentation—Jay Moore

Jay Moore gave a presentation about Transportation Development Districts, examples of existing ones in Missouri were given; as well as, who can form them, what they are. His presentation is on file at SMOG offices

Regional Transportation Plan—Dave Faucett

Dave gave an update of where the plan is- the 1st draft, it has to be approved by the committee, handed out copies to everyone with a CD that has the colored maps, the TAC has 30 days to review it and give critiques, ask questions..., Stacy asked if the populations would be updated.

Other Business

Billy Dryer wants lower gas prices so that he can farm more efficiently; he wants to be able to carry more tons in the trucks on county roads so he can haul more at once. He's in favor of drilling in ANWAR.

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