Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting



Wednesday, March 15, 2017 Library Station

Attending: Dennis Pyle (Barry), Cherry Warren (Barry), Todd Wiesehan (Christian), Roger Bradley (Dallas), Joel Keller (Greene), Max Springer (Lawrence), Sydney Allen (Polk), Rick Davis (Polk), Dennis Wood (Stone), Buddy Roberts (Taney), Robert Williams (Webster)

Travis Koestner (MoDOT), Frank Miller (MoDOT), Beth Schaller (MoDOT), Hollie Elliott (Dallas County), Jerry Harmon (Kimberling City), Nancy Edson (Rogersville), Stan Whitehurst (Webster County), Jason Ray (SMCOG), Megan Clark (SMCOG), Zeke Hall (SMCOG), Bailey DeJonge (SMCOG)

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

- 1. Introductions Self introductions were made.
- **2. Approval of minutes:** Motion to approve the March 15, 2017 meeting minutes made by Buddy Roberts, motion seconded by Rick Davis. Motion carried
- 3. MoDOT Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Regional Project Overview Megan Clark provided an overview of the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program and the projects programmed for the SMCOG region. Presented was a draft of the requested improvement projects. MODOT will be accepting feedback until June 2, 2017. The STIP is expected to be approved by the MoDOT Commission on June 29.

4. Regional Transportation Prioritization- Update Process Overview

Megan Clark presented the proposed regional transportation prioritization process. This update provides a list of prioritized transportation updates for each county. The surveys need to be completed and turned in by June 1st to be discussed at the July 12th meeting. The new prioritization process will include the top 3 needs from each county.

TAC members discussed the process. The group suggested adding MoDOT priority project and cost share opportunities as criteria in the matrix. Additionally it was recommended to include the SMCOG board approval of the final list and add a public comment period.

TAC members discussed concerns with guests providing input on needs. It was suggested to limit those who may speak regarding the county needs list.

Motion to allow only voting TAC members be permitted to speak on needs during the prioritization process was made by Buddy Roberts, motion seconded by Dennis Pyle. Motion carried.

5. TAC Policy Changes – Megan Clark

Megan Clark addressed updating the TAC Policy. She proposed altering section 4, by removing the elected/appointed official and citizen member designations, requiring representation from the two geographical districts as determined by the county, and giving the County Commission the authority to select two representatives from those nominated by local jurisdictions and submit to the SMCOG board for final approval.

The addition of a small urban member to the TAC board was presented. Communities with a population of 5,000 or more would appoint a small urban member to the TAC. This would add an additional five members. The group felt that small urban members were not needed.

Motion was made to not recommend the small urban member to the SMCOG board by Rick Davis, seconded by Buddy Roberts. Motion carried.

Clark discussed the addition of language to designate a proxy to attend meetings in the place of an appointed committee meeting.

The group discussed the addition of naming an alternate TAC member to be appointed who would serve as a proxy for an appointed TAC member, if the appointed member were unable to attend.

The group discussed the addition of language referencing required attendance at regularly scheduled meetings and that the meeting schedule be shared.

Motion was made to include language "Failure to attend two (2) regularly scheduled meetings ... the meeting schedule shall be sent annually at the beginning of the TAC members' terms" by Robert Williams, seconded by Rick Davis. Motion carried.

Motion was made to include the language "The proxy shall be the designated alternate who has been recommended for appointment by the county commission and approved by the SMCOG board" by Rick Davis, seconded by Robert Williams.

Motion was made to recommend the language as amended to read " Failure to attend two (2) regularly scheduled meetings without designating a proxy at least 24 hours prior to the scheduled TAC meeting. The proxy shall be the designated alternate who has been recommended for appointment by the county commission and approved by the SMCOG board. The meeting schedule shall be sent annually at the beginning of the TAC members' terms. " by Rick Davis, second by Todd Wiesehan. Motion carried.

Motion to recommend approval to the SMCOG board, with amendments, made by Rick Davis, seconded by Dennis Pyle. Motion carried.

6. MoDOT Update- Frank Miller, MoDOT SW District

Frank Miller addressed that storm damage that counties have been receiving. The cost estimate for current storm damage is about \$670,000.

Frank addressed the Statewide Cost Share Program. Counties should submit a draft by June 1st for the MODOT SW district office to review before the June 30th deadline.

7. MPO Update – Andy Thomason, OTO

No report.

8. Other Member Updates & Guest Reports

OATS - Jeff Robinson See email.

9. Adjourn by Chairman

Meeting was adjourned at 10:28 am by Chairman Dennis Wood.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, July 12, 2017 at 9 a.m. at Library Station in Springfield.