

**MINUTES
MO-KAN TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**March 11, 2009
9:00 AM**

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Larry Atkins – Andrew County
Jay Ebersold – DeKalb County
Dan Hausman – Buchanan County
Shellby Hendee – Cameron
Illah Marie Pulley – DeKalb County
Randall Relford – Clinton County
Mike Landy – Buchanan County
Kenneth Gabriel – Andrew County
Cyndee Merritt – Andrew County
Bob Burnett – Buchanan County
Doug Williams – Clinton County
Ruth Ross – DeKalb County

NON-VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Shannon Kusilek – MoDOT

OTHERS PRESENT: Jackie Spainhower – Mo-Kan Regional Council

The regular quarterly meeting of the Mo-Kan Transportation Advisory Committee was held in the offices of Mo-Kan Regional Council, March 11, 2009 at 9:00 a.m.

1. **Roll call taken by sign-in sheet.**
2. **Motion to approve minutes of the December 10, 2008 meeting was made by Randall Relford, seconded by Dan Hausman. Council approved unanimously.**

Open Public Comment: None

Old Business:

1. **School Bus Route Mapping** – Jackie Spainhower presented that this project has been completed and submitted to MoDOT. Copies of the map are available upon request.
2. **Mobility Planning Update** – Jackie Spainhower presented that the JARC application was not submitted in February. Mobility Plan involved working with area businesses in Cameron and St. Joseph. For this project to work effectively, more businesses need to become involved.
3. **Proposed Economic Stimulus Projects** – Jackie Spainhower presented that Missouri will be receiving \$577 million. Northwest Missouri will receive 6.7 percent of the funding. This allotment of funds is higher than the annual allocation that is received. Jackie noted that Missouri was the first state after President Obama signed the stimulus package to start turning dirt.
4. **Safe and Sound Bridge Update** – Shannon Kusilek presented that Andrew County was the first county to go out for bid. During the next three months, more projects will be let.
5. **Missouri Transportation Alliance** – Jackie Spainhower presented a brief recap from Mike Meierhoffer's presentation on the Missouri Transportation Alliance. A meeting later this week will provide more details. Shannon Kusilek presented that due to the Stimulus package, funding cliff has been pushed back to 2012.
6. **2009 Budget to Date** – Jackie Spainhower presented handout on FY2009 Budget Update for TAC as of March 3, 2009.

New Business:

1. **Primary Seatbelt Rally** – Jackie Spainhower presented that the State of Missouri will lose \$16 – 20 million in Highway Safety funds if they do not pass a Primary Seatbelt Law. Jackie gave brief statement about this year’s rally in Jefferson City.
2. **Needs Identification for RTP** – Jackie Spainhower presented she is in the process of scheduling times to meet with the local commissions to identify local needs and to cross off projects that have been completed by MoDOT.
3. **MoDOT Updates** – Shannon Kusilek presented that MoDOT has been planning for the stimulus package and STIP the last several months. Shannon has plans on checking needs list projects against the stimulus package project list to see if any coincide.
4. **MoDOT Construction Update** – Tonya Lohman was unable to attend, but provided Jackie Spainhower with her updates. I-35 and Route A in Clinton County, Route C in Andrew County, Route 31 and Route DD in Buchanan County are undergoing construction.

Other Business:

1. **Annual District 1 TAC meeting** – Annual meeting is scheduled for May 15, 2009. Proposed location is at Lake Viking.
2. **Next TAC meeting** is scheduled for June 10, 2009 at 9:00 AM.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 am.