

MINUTES
MO-KAN TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

March 14, 2007
9:00 AM

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dan Hegeman – Andrew County
Kenneth Gabriel – Andrew County
Larry Atkins-Andrew County
Dan Hausman- Buchanan County
Mike Landy- Buchanan County
Randall Relford – Clinton County
Jim Bethards-Clinton County
Shellby Hendee-Clinton County
Jay Ebersold - DeKalb County
Ruth Ross- DeKalb County

NON-VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:

Shannon Kusilek – MoDOT
Jody Carlson-MoDOT
Darby Logan-MoDOT
Tony McGaughy-MoDOT

OTHERS PRESENT:

Tom Bliss – Mo-Kan Regional Council
Jackie Spainhower – Mo-Kan Regional Council
Jackie Wolf – Mo-Kan Regional Council
Aaron Blaser- KQ2

The regular quarterly meeting of the Mo-Kan Transportation Advisory Committee was held at the offices of the Mo-Kan Regional Council March 14, 2007 at 9:00 a.m., with Vice-Chairman Larry Atkins presiding.

1. Roll Call taken by silent review

2. Motion to approve Minutes of December 13, 2006 was made by Dan Hegeman, second by Dan Hausman. Motion carried 10-0.

Public Comment- none

3. Update of 2007 Work Plan Tasks & Budget- Spainhower provided an update of the 2007 work plan. Funds remaining for the year totals \$47,264.68. Senator Lager is leaning towards having Cameron host the Transportation Luncheon in August.

4. Transportation Surveys- Mo-Kan is getting ready to send out another round of advertising for the district-wide survey. This survey is meant to gather the public's opinion of road conditions, MoDOT, etc. This survey should conclude June 30, 2007. We have had 141 responses.

5. Safe Routes to School Program- \$2.6 million is available for this program to assist Elementary and Middle Schools with projects that encourage students to walk or bike to school. Maysville School District was the only school to contact us for this funding. They are requesting funds to place flashing lights on Highway 6, which will help slow traffic for students crossing the highway. These funds are

available to both public and private facilities, and must be used within a two mile radius of the school. The City of St. Joseph sent in several applications, but Mo-Kan does not need to verify projects within the MPO boundaries.

6. Project Identification Review &

7. Project Prioritization

Needs for each county were identified at the December meeting. Today we must determine what needs will be included in the Regional Transportation Plan and on the list to be considered for the future Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). These needs will be considered for the 2009-2013 STIP. Each county must prioritize the projects for their own county.

DeKalb County

Intersection Hwy 36 and I-35 needs upgrades due to major congestion
Hwy 36 (Dohrn Trucking Crossover) safety concerns for entering and exiting traffic

Clinton County

Hwy 69 (from Cameron to Hwy 116) road is in need of repair, pavement and shoulders
Hwy 169 (from Clay County to Hwy 116) planned developments, increasing traffic, safety and road improvements needed

Buchanan County

Hwy 31 (from Hwy 169 to Easton) road is need of repair, pavement and shoulders
Banker's Crossing (Bridge on Hwy 59 over railroad) needs repaired

Andrew County

Intersection of Route T and Andrew County Road 366 sight impairment and poor geometry. This is also the selected site for the new middle school in Savannah, which will have an impact to traffic patterns
Intersection of Route T and K sight impairment and poor geometry

8. MoDOT Statewide Planning 2007- Spainhower attended a statewide planning meeting on March 11th in Jefferson City. This year funding is not available for future needs, therefore MoDOT is working on innovative ways to find funding. Mo-Kan needs to identify projects that impact Mo-Kan but also have to have a statewide impact. Mo-Kan is going to work with MoDOT and the other two RPCs to identify regional needs.

9. 2007 Enhancement Funds- Funding available for sidewalks, bike paths, transportation museums, and other non-surface transportation related projects. District 1 has currently over \$2 million available. Letters have been sent to each county and community, and applications are due May 18th.

10. 2007 CDBG Project Applications- Mo-Kan is working with the City of Amazonia for a grant to asphalt their city streets.

11. Regional Transit Planning- Mo-Kan has been offered the opportunity to prepare a regional plan for the transit side of MoDOT. This will affect three programs within the region, and includes the vehicle servicing program for seniors, Job Access Reverse Commute, and the New Freedom program. We will be responsible for drafting this plan that is a requirement for future funding to the region. A meeting will take place on April 18 at the Pony Express Museum that will provide more information to us and the current transit providers.

12. MoDOT Planning Update-Shannon Kusilek- "Better Roads Better Future" is what MoDOT is now calling the program previously know as the "85 in 5" program. In 2008, MoDOT plans to start

work on the major routes that did not fall under the Smooth Routes Initiative (SRI). MoDOT will work to improve pavement conditions and shoulders and will look at improving safety on these routes by adding rumble strips along all shoulders.

Tony McGaughy- MoDOT is attempting to implement a very systematic approach to prevalent statewide issues. Safer Sooner is a statewide program that will address the bridges in the state, and "Better Roads Better Future" will address the pavement conditions, shoulders and safety conditions on major routes. District 1 will attempt to address some minor routes (those with an ADT of 1000+) with the maintenance money that is available.

13. MoDOT Construction Update-Jody Carlson-Construction coming to our area this summer

- 36 Business 36 in Cameron from 36 to 69
- 36 from Riverside road to 31 westbound lanes
- 36 Osborne to Grindstone eastbound lanes
- 752 Mason Road
- I-229 in town bridge joints
- Mitchell bridge over I-29
- Andrew T resurface
- EE North of Cameron
- F resurface
- DeKalb 36 microsurface contractor will re-do

14. Other Business- Next TAC meeting is scheduled for June 13, 2007.

Larry Atkins has agreed to stay as interim chair until January when election of officers will be held. Shellby Hendee has volunteered to be interim Vice-Chair in the case Larry is unable to attend. Board agreed.

Meeting Adjourned