

MINUTES
MO-KAN TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

February 18, 2021, 9:00 AM

VOTING MEMBERS

PRESENT:

Bob Caldwell – Andrew County – *Zoom*
Bruce Lundy – Andrew County – *Zoom*
Bob Burnett, Chair – Buchanan County
Scott Burnham – Buchanan County – *Zoom*
Johnnie Hoggatt – Buchanan County – *Zoom*
Drew Bontrager – Clinton County – *Zoom*
Mike O’Donnell – Clinton County – *Zoom*
Chet Owen – DeKalb County – *Zoom*
Missy Meek – DeKalb County – *Zoom*

NON-VOTING MEMBERS

PRESENT:

Shannon Kusilek – MoDOT - *Zoom*
Dave Earls – MoDOT - *Zoom*
Michael Marriott – MoDOT - *Zoom*
Rebecca Thacker – Mo-Kan Regional Council
Trevor Tutt – Mo-Kan Regional Council

OTHERS PRESENT:

Kenneth Reeder – PCLA (Public Citizens Local Associates)

LEGISLATORS

PRESENT:

Senator Dan Hegeman - *Zoom*

A meeting of the Mo-Kan Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) was held February 18, 2021 at the Mo-Kan Regional Council office, 224 North 7th Street, St. Joseph, MO. Bob Burnett, chair, called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

- 1. Roll call taken by sign-in sheet. A quorum was present.**
- 2. Minutes – A motion to approve minutes for the meeting on October 22, 2020 was made by Bruce Lundy and seconded by Johnnie Hoggatt. Minutes were approved unanimously.**

Open Public Comment:

Senator Dan Hegeman reported that he appreciates the TAC.

Old Business:

There was no old business.

New Business:

- 1. Introductions –** Introduction of Trevor Tutt as the new Transportation Planner for Mo-Kan Regional Council, and new TAC members Chet Owen and Richard Riddell.
- 2. Recent Project Awards/Upcoming Bid Openings –** Shannon Kusilek reported on recent awards and the STIP.

- 3. MoDOT Construction Update** – Shannon Kusilek gave a construction update.
- 4. LPA/BRO Update** – Dave Earls gave an update on the five bridges in the BRO program.
- 5. Blueprint for Safety Grants** – Rebecca Thacker reported that the TAC evaluated and submitted to the Northwest Coalition for Roadway Safety and everything was approved, though this was a special round due to excessive funds. Kenneth Reeder inquired as to how much funding remained.
- 6. Roadway Safety Assessment** – Rebecca Thacker reported that the last roadway safety assessment was two years ago and that MoDOT recently issued a response to the assessment.
- 7. Chair and Vice-Chair Elections** – Bob Caldwell moved that Bruce Lundy be appointed as Chair and Johnnie Hoggatt be appointed Vice-Chair. Missy Meek seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
- 8. TAP Grants** – Rebecca Thacker reported that there are two grant proposals from the Mo-Kan TAC region and they must be ranked in the event of a tie. This grant opportunity is more competitive this year due to it being a one year allocation rather than the traditional two years. The Cameron application ranked first and the Lathrop application ranked second.
- 9. Transportation Priorities** – Shannon Kusilek reported that Tier 1 priorities could get funded in 2-5 years while Tier 2 are more expensive and may take 5-10 years. The list goes before the legislature to represent what can get accomplished with additional funding. The TAC members discussed their transportation priorities and voted on them. This list will be submitted to MoDOT.

Other Business:

- 1. Appreciations** – The TAC thanked Bob Burnett for his time and leadership as Chair
- 2. Scheduling the next TAC Meeting** – The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for June 2, 2021.

Meeting adjourned at 11:05 am.