

Meramec Region Planning Commission

Transportation Advisory Committee

Thursday, June 12, 2014
4:00 p.m.

Members and Alternates Present:

Crawford: Kenny Killeen, Leo Sanders

Dent: Gary Brown, Darrell Skiles

Gasconade: John Kamler

Osage: Dave Dudenhoeffer, Larry Kliethermes

Phelps: Jeff Davis, Larry Stratman, John Petersen

Pulaski: James Morgan, Darrell Duncan

Washington: John Casey, T.R. Dudley, Marvin Wright

Members and Alternates Absent:

MoDOT Personnel, Ex-Officio Members and Guests: Preston Kramer (MoDOT), Steve Engelbrecht (MoDOT), Kelly Wilson (MoDOT), and David Silvester (MoDOT).

Staff Present: Connie Willman, Bonnie Prigge, Shannon Coatney, Jeff Kormann and Lyle Thomas

Call to Order & Welcome: Chairman Petersen called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

Introductions: Bonnie introduced Kelly Wilson, Senior Transportation Planner. Kelly's service area will be the southern part of the state. Her duties will include working with the BRO programs.

Approval of April 10, 2014, TAC Minutes: Leo Sanders made a motion, seconded by Kenny Killeen, that the April 10, 2013 minutes be approved as presented. Motion Passed.

Selection of Nominating Committee: According to the TAC Bylaws the chairman of the committee is to appoint a nominating committee of not less than four members to present names for consideration as officers at the June meeting. This was not completed at the April meeting. The following members volunteered to serve on the nominating committee to meet via teleconference and present a slate of officers at the August meeting: John Casey, Jeff Davis, Dave Dudenhoeffer and James Morgan. Kenny Killeen made a motion, seconded by Larry Kliethermes, that the Nominating Committee be approved. Motion passed.

Missouri's ¾ cent Sales Tax Proposal: Dave Silvester, District Engineer, MoDOT Central District, provided updated information on the ¾ cent Transportation Sales Tax proposal which is now slated on the August primary election ballot. If approved by the voters on August 5, the sales tax will generate an estimated \$5.3 billion for Missouri transportation over the next ten years with an estimated \$486.3 million earmarked for the Central District. Dave gave an overview of the steps that MoDOT has been taking to determine needs and educate the public on transportation funding issues. Discussions about needs have been held since 2008. The gas tax level has not increased since 1992. In meetings across the state, Missourians have indicated the following priorities: 1. Take care of system. 2. Make roads safer. 3. Provide projects for Economic Development. 4. Offer more options for other modes. Documented needs in the state total over \$77 billion over 10 years. Districts have been meeting to compile a list of prioritized projects that will be completed if the sales tax passes. The list of proposed projects will go public around noon on June 13 and may be found on the MoDOT web site. All of the eight counties in the region have projects on the list. A portion of Hwy. 63 is on the list, as well as condition 3 bridges, transit improvements, airport (runways/terminals). The public comment period will be June 13 through July 3. Following comments, the list may be added to, but nothing will be taken off. The Commission will vote on the list at its July 9 meeting. The following public meetings are scheduled: Monday, June 16; 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., ARC Center, 1701 W. Ash Street, Columbia, MO and Thursday, June 19, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., Missouri Chamber of Commerce and Industry, 428 E. Capitol Street, Jefferson City, MO.

MoDOT Central District Multi-Modal Needs Prioritization Process Update: Bonnie Prigge, MRPC

Executive Director, provided an update on the MoDOT Central District multi-modal needs prioritization process. The prioritization meetings were held on May 28 and June 4. John Petersen, Bonnie Prigge, Lyle Thomas and Bill Osbourne represented the Meramec Region at the meetings. The list of projects contains something from each county and addresses the region's top priorities. All modes are also represented on the list with the exception of Ports. MoDOT welcomes opportunities to speak to groups to educate the public on transportation funding.

Review of the 2014-2015 Transportation Planning Work Plan: Lyle Thomas, MRPC, provided an overview of the fiscal year 2014-2015 Transportation Planning Work Plan submitted to MoDOT. John Casey made a motion, seconded by T.R. Dudley that the Work Plan be approved and recommended to the MRPC Board for approval. Motion passed.

Phase III, Sidewalk Inventory Report: Lyle Thomas, MRPC, provided the Phase III Sidewalk Inventory Report including a project summary from 2012 through 2014 and list of communities planned for 2015, including: Leasburg, Gasconade, Argyle, Meta, Westphalia, Edgar Springs, Morrison and West Sullivan. Surveys will be mailed out in July. Average condition percentages for sidewalks assessed to date were: 64% good; 24% fair; 12% poor.

County Bridge Assessment. Through funding from the Missouri Department of Economic Development, staff recently completed county bridge and low water crossing assessments. Lyle Thomas provided an overview of the assessments. Each county representative was provided a copy of his county bridge assessment report.

Mobility Management System Project: Lyle Thomas, MRPC, provided information on the Mobility Management System project, funded through a grant from the Missouri Developmental Disabilities Council (MODDC). The plan will provide for a Mobility Manager and Mobility Coordinator who will gather information and set up a web-based one-stop-shop for transit customers.

MoDOT Updates and Staff Reports (As time allows):

Preston Kramer reported that for the next few weeks he will be available to speak about transportation funding at meetings and events, including Chambers of Commerce, Rotary, etc.

Preston reported on current construction:

Pulaski County: Rt. D bridge is underway and on schedule
Rt. U is almost complete

Washington County: Rock fill along Hwy. 47 is on schedule

Osage County: Rt. 50 4-lane expansion is coming along well

Gasconade: Rt. 19 widening is complete but MoDOT still needs to do roadside rumble strips, etc.

Next TAC Meeting: August 14, 2014

Adjournment