

MINUTES
MO-KAN TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

June 6, 2012
9:00 AM

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Larry Atkins – Andrew County
Drew Bontrager – Clinton County
Bob Burnett – Buchanan County
Ken Gabriel – Andrew County
Dan Hausman – Buchanan County
Johnnie Hoggatt – Buchanan County
Ty Nagle – St. Joseph MPO
Illah Marie Pulley – DeKalb County
Ruth Ross – DeKalb County
Wade Wilken Jr. – Clinton County

NON VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Shannon Kusilek – MoDOT
Angie Hoecker – MoDOT

OTHERS PRESENT: Tom Bliss – Mo-Kan Regional Council
Matt Buchanan – Mo-Kan Regional Council
Cassie White – Mo-Kan Regional Council
Corey Sloan – City of Cameron
Evelyn Clemons – Clinco Industries

The regular quarterly meeting of the Mo-Kan Transportation Advisory Committee was held at the Mo-Kan Regional Council office, 224 North 7th Street, St. Joseph, MO. Chairman Bob Burnett called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. A quorum was present.

1. **Roll call taken by sign-in sheet.**
2. **Approval of the March 7, 2012 minutes made by Dan Hausman, seconded by Larry Atkins. Committee approved unanimously.**

Open Public Comment:

1. **Evelyn Clemons/Clinco Industries, Inc.** – Evelyn Clemons is looking for the Committee’s support to replace a 2009 shuttle bus by applying for a bus grant. The shuttle bus operates within Clinton and DeKalb counties to and from participants’ home and work. **Motion to approve granted by Illah Marie Pulley, seconded by Dan Hausman. Committee approved unanimously.**

Guest Speaker:

1. **Police Chief Corey Sloan/Cameron Police Department** – Chief Corey Sloan presented a public/private sector goal of clearing an accident scene within 90 minutes. Since this idea is being considered for a national goal, Chief Sloan would like to conduct a workshop to inform local officials by applying for funds from the next Blueprint for Safety grant. Discussion held. Chief Sloan stated he would submit an article for an interoperability newsletter. Tom Bliss stated this would be a great opportunity to combine this topic and bring together the Region H Homeland Security Oversight Committee (HSOC) with the TAC. **Motion to endorse**

TAC support to the public/private sector goal made by Dan Hausman, seconded by Johnnie Hoggatt. Committee approved unanimously.

Old Business:

1. **Speed Radar Trailer Update** – Matt Buchanan reported that the TAC applied for Blueprint for Safety funds last fall for a speed radar trailer. The speed radar trailer can collect traffic data as well as display speed. The trailer is available for communities in Missouri and Kansas. Matt stated that a few communities have already expressed interest in using the speed radar trailer.
2. **Public Transit – Human Services Transportation Plan Update (PTHST)** – Matt Buchanan stated that the first PTHST plan was created five years ago (2008) and must be updated in order for service organizations, such as Clinco, to apply for a bus grant. In August, a guest speaker will address a special audience of primary users. The plan is due March 2013.

New Business:

1. **Mo-Kan ‘FY 13 Transportation Planning Budget** – Matt Buchanan stated that the transportation budget starts July 1, 2012 and runs through June 30, 2013. Matt detailed budget highlights: RSA, traffic counts, Safe Routes to School, and Transportation Enhancements. Grand budget total is \$74,250. Matt also stated that MoDOT task 5 has a new line item for a bike/ped plan. MACOG would prefer for all TACs to create a plan that must be approved by mid-June.
2. **Blue Ribbon Committee Meeting Recap** – Chairman Bob Burnett stated the Blue Ribbon Committee met on May 21 to listen to the transportation issues at the local level Chairman Burnett had five minutes to discuss concerns and possible funding sources including a gas tax, sales tax, a combination of both, and tolls. Chairman Burnett also stated that area needs were briefly discussed. Discussion held. The Blue Ribbon Committee was formed by MO Speaker of the House, Steven Tilley to solicit feedback on ways to address transportation issues.
3. **Buchanan County Ag Expo** – Dan Hausman stated the Buchanan County Ag Expo creates economic development initiatives. The project requires Missouri Department of Economic Development (DED) support. A \$3.2 million grant application was submitted for an intersection/interchange at U.S. Highway 36 and Riverside Road in St. Joseph. Dan stated that the TAC issued a letter of support.
4. **Joint TAC Training Scheduled June 15, 2012 in Trenton, MO** – The theme for the joint TAC training is the Evolution of the TAC. Matt stated that Mike Rinehart would present a session on engineering basics. This is a great opportunity for networking and introducing new board members to responsibilities and learn TAC history.
5. **Road Safety Audit Location Vote** – Matt Buchanan reminded the Committee that the 2011 RSAs were conducted at U.S. Highway 36 and South Mitchell Avenue in Chillicothe, the intersection of Highway 136 and Liberty Road near Mozingo Lake in Maryville, and the intersection of U.S. Highway 36 and Missouri Highway 33 north of Osborn.

6. **MoDOT Updates** – Shannon Kusilek distributed a handout outlining the proposed Northwest District program 2013-2017 STIP. Shannon stated that the Missouri Highway Commission approved the draft STIP.
7. **MoDOT Construction Updates** – no report

Other Business:

1. Matt Buchanan stated this was his last Board meeting as he is resigning to pursue a Master in Urban Planning from Kansas University.
2. **Scoring Blueprint for Safety Grant Applications** – Matt Buchanan introduced the four applications that are competing for Blueprint for Safety funds. Applications were reviewed and scored using a weighted matrix. Discussion held for each applicant/organization.

| Applicant / Organization | Program | Funds | TAC approval |
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| Buchanan County Sheriff's Department | Driving Education Videos and Alive at 25 Course Materials | \$2,800 | |
| Cameron Police Department | Cameron Safe Streets | \$3,000 | |
| Midland Empire Alcohol Task Force | Underage Alcohol Enforcement (prom) | \$3,000 | |
| St. Joseph Police Department | I'm A Safe Driver | \$5,612 | |

3. **Next TAC meeting** is scheduled for Wednesday, September 5, 2012 at 9:00 AM.

Meeting adjourned at 10:50 AM.