



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

September 20, 2017

Osage Centre – Cape Girardeau, MO

Board Voting Members Present:

Mr. Rodney Bollinger, City of Jackson (alternate for Mr. Dwain Hahs)
Mr. Chauncy Buchheit, Southeast Missouri Regional Planning & Economic
Development Commission (SEMO RPC)
Ms. Molly Hood, City of Cape Girardeau (alternate for Mr. Scott Meyer)
Ms. Kathy Mangels, Southeast Missouri State University (SEMO University)
Mr. Mark Phillips, Cape Special Road District
Mr. Harry Rediger, City of Cape Girardeau
Mr. Jim Roach, City of Jackson

Board Non-Voting Members Present:

Mr. Tom Mogelnicki, Cape Girardeau County Transit Authority (CTA)
Ms. Betsy Tracy, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) (via teleconference)

Technical Planning Committee (TPC) Members Present:

Mr. Drew Christian, Southeast Missouri Regional Planning & Economic
Development Commission (SEMO RPC)
Mr. Curtis Jones, Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT)
Mr. Joe Killian, Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT)
Mr. Larry Payne, Cape Girardeau County (alternate for Mr. Charlie Herbst)
Mr. Alex McElroy, City of Cape Girardeau
Mr. John Mehner, Cape Girardeau Area MAGNET

Staff Present:

Mr. Ryan Shrimplin, City of Cape Girardeau

Program Administration/Support Consultant Present:

Ms. Kelly Green, KLG Engineering

Call to Order

Acting Chairman Roach called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Introductions

The group went around the room, with each person giving a brief introduction.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Adoption of Agenda

The agenda of the September 20, 2017 Board of Directors Meeting was unanimously approved upon motion made by Mr. Rediger and seconded by Mr. Buchheit.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the August 16, 2017 Board of Directors Meeting were unanimously approved upon motion made by Mr. Phillips and seconded by Mr. Buchheit.

Communications from the Chairman

There were no communications from the Chairman.

New/Unfinished Business

- **Project/Needs List for MoDOT FY 2019-2023 STIP – Motion to approve**

Ms. Green and Mr. Shrimplin explained that in the past, MoDOT has requested Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) project/needs lists from SEMPO and the Southeast District RPC's in November of each year. Starting this year, the process will begin earlier, with the lists being due in September. The TPC started with the Contingency and Project Needs List that was approved by the Board of Directors on November 16, 2016. Using MoDOT's Tracker tool to view accident and pavement condition data, the TPC then developed the list, which included five categories: Taking Care of the System, Low Volume, Safety, Capacity, and Multimodal. The projects/needs in the capacity and safety categories were then ranked by consensus. Mr. Killian stated that once the list is approved, he will submit it to MoDOT's Design staff. He stated that low-volume routes are routes with less than 400 ADT. These routes are taken care of by MoDOT maintenance crews. There being no further discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Buchheit and seconded by Mr. Rediger to recommend approval of the MoDOT STIP 2019-2023 Project/Needs List, which passed unanimously.

- **November Board of Directors Meeting – Motion to change date**

Mr. Shrimplin stated that the next 21st Century Missouri Transportation System Task Force meeting will be held on November 15, 2017, which conflicts with the Board's November Meeting. The Board members indicated that they would review their schedules and decide on an alternate date at the Board's October meeting. Mr. Buchheit requested the meeting not be moved to November 8, 2017 as that is the date of the Regional Meeting.

Member Reports

Mr. Rediger and Ms. Hood gave an update on several City of Cape Girardeau projects and programs. Bloomfield Road Phase 5 is now open. Work will soon begin on the Lexington Avenue Improvements Project, from Sherwood Drive to West Cape Rock Drive, which will consist of concrete repair and an asphalt overlay. The South Sprigg Street Bridge Repair Project has been completed and should be ready to open within the month. The Cape La Croix Trail Widening Project and the Asphalt Overlay Program are complete.

Mr. Bollinger reported on several City of Jackson projects and programs. The Uptown Jackson Historic Lighting and Event Power Project was completed last month. Octoberfest will be held on October 7, 2017. Phase 1 of the Water Bond Project is 50% completed and should be completed by the end of the year. An engineering firm has been hired to redesign Old Orchard Road, from the fire station to the former Class Act facility, to straighten the curves. The Concrete Street Repair, Asphalt Overlay, and Routing and Sealing programs will be starting soon. The Comprehensive Traffic Study is in progress.

Mr. Phillips stated that aside from routine business, Cape Special Road District crews have made improvements to Bloomfield Road south of the City of Cape Girardeau's Bloomfield Road Phase 5 Project.

Mr. Mogelnicki reported that the CTA used 11,500 gallons of fuel in August – higher than the typical 9,500 to 10,000 gallons. He added that the usage is indicative of the increased demand for transit services.

Mr. Rediger gave an airport update in the absence of Mr. Bruce Loy. He stated that beginning December 1, 2017, SkyWest Airlines will begin as the new air service provider at the Cape Girardeau Regional Airport, providing daily service to Chicago. In addition, some runway improvements have been completed.

Mr. Christian indicated that another TIP amendment will be necessary due to the addition of a project at the SEMO Port. Mr. Killian added that a TIP amendment will also be required due to changes to the bridge repair project on US-61 near Hobby Lobby.

Mr. Mehner stated that the group supporting the TransAmerica Corridor project has scheduled a series of calls with several U.S. senators to discuss the possibility of including the project in a larger infrastructure bill.

Mr. Killian mentioned that notice of MoDOT's Long Range Transportation Plan survey was sent out on September 11, 2017. MoDOT has received over 3,000 comments to date. The focus has been on connected and autonomous vehicles.

Mr. Jones announced that IDOT's Fall Planning Conference will be held October 3-4, 2017 at the Hyatt Place in Champaign/Urbana. Topics to be discussed at the conference include transportation data and performance measures.

Ms. Tracey stated the application deadlines are approaching for two federal transportation grant programs. The deadline for the TIGER program is October 16, 2017. The deadline for the INFRA (formerly FASTLANE) program is November 2, 2017.

Other Business and Communications

Ms. Green reported that Lochmueller Group completed the analysis of the input received from the survey and Wikimap tool for the Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan, and submitted preliminary route recommendations to the Study Oversight Team (SOT). The routes have been reviewed by the SOT. Lochmueller will begin preparing a draft of the plan. Mr. Bollinger stated that he felt Lochmueller did a thorough job analyzing the data and had progressive ideas on future sidewalks, trails and bicycle facilities.

Mr. Shrimplin reported that he is preparing a draft Request for Proposals (RFP) for the TIP tool software and maintenance. The Technology Subcommittee will review the draft and make any necessary edits, after which it will be submitted to Ms. Tracy and Ms. Voss for review and discussion.

Mr. Bollinger mentioned that MoDOT is transferring a section of Rte. PP to the City of Jackson.

Mr. Shrimplin reported that staff recently processed the first two administrative modifications to the TIP (Administrative Modification A and Administrative Modification B). Both modifications pertain to change orders for the South Sprigg Street Bridge Repair Project. He added that the changes qualified as administrative modifications because each modification resulted in an increase in the project's total programmed amount that was less than or equal to a 15% and less than or equal to \$2 million.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Green, P.E.