



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

November 18, 2015

Osage Centre - Cape Girardeau

Board Voting Members Present:

Mr. Rodney Bollinger, City of Jackson
Mr. Drew Christian, Southeast Missouri Regional Planning & Economic Development
Commission (SEMO RPC)(Appointed Alternate for Chauncy Buchheit)
Mr. Dwain Hahs, City of Jackson
Mr. Charlie Herbst, Cape Girardeau County
Mr. Scott Meyer, City of Cape Girardeau
Mr. Harry Rediger, City of Cape Girardeau
Mr. Jim Roach, City of Jackson

Board Ex-Officio Members Present:

Mr. David Blalock, Bootheel Regional Planning & Economic Development
Commission (Bootheel RPC)

Technical Planning Committee Members Present:

Mr. Tom Caldwell, Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT)
Mr. Joe Killian, Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT)
Mr. Brian Okenfuss, Missouri Department of Transportation

Staff Present:

Mr. Ryan Shrimplin, City of Cape Girardeau

Call to Order

Chairman Pro Tem Christian 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 November 18, 2015 Board of Directors Meeting was unanimously approved for adoption upon motion made by Mr. Roach and seconded by Mr. Rediger.

Minutes

The minutes of the September 16, 2015 Board of Directors Meeting were unanimously approved upon motion made by Mr. Hahs and seconded by Mr. Roach.

Communications from the Chairman

There were no communications from the Chairman.

New/Unfinished Business

Mr. Christian distributed copies of the latest version of the FY 2016-2019 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) project list and requested that he be notified of any additions or corrections. Mr. Roach asked if there is a reason why the TIP would need to be updated more frequently than annually. Mr. Christian replied there will be times when an MPO member receives notice of a grant award for a project that is not in the TIP and in order for the project to be let, it has to be added.

Mr. Shrimplin gave a recap of the two public input sessions that were held on September 24, 2015 regarding the 2016-2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP). The sessions were attended by several citizens and stakeholders, including State Representative Donna Lichtenegger and a field representative for Senator Roy Blunt as well as private transit providers SADI and BART Shuttle.

Mr. Shrimplin reviewed the remaining schedule for the MTP and the TIP. He stated that per the Public Participation Plan, a public hearing is required for the TIP. Although a public hearing is not required for the MTP, he recommended holding a public hearing on both documents.

Mr. Meyer made a motion to set a public hearing on the 2016-2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan and the FY 2016-2019 Transportation Improvement Program for December 16, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. Mr. Herbst seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Other Communications

Mr. Okenfuss announced Patrick McKenna has been hired as MoDOT's new Director, effective December 7, 2015.

Mr. Killian reported that MoDOT has prepared a tentative list of projects to be funded by its portion of the additional FY 2015 state revenues. The tentative list includes two projects in SEMPO's metropolitan planning area. The first project is a pavement overlay for US-61 from Center Junction to Mount Auburn Road in Cape Girardeau. He clarified this project will not include the portion of US-61 under the I-55 bridge, as MoDOT wants to complete the bridge work first. The bridge is currently in the scoping phase and will hopefully be approved for construction soon. The second project involves bridge improvements for the I-55 flyover at Exit 93 (US-61) in Cape Girardeau.

Mr. Herbst announced Cape Girardeau County was recently awarded \$200,000 in funding from the Delta Regional Authority for improvements to County Roads 346 and 347. The additional funds will come from public and private capital investments. The roads are being improved to allow Capital Sand Company to expand and add a second shift. He added the County still needs to acquire land for the right-of-way.

Mr. Meyer asked if MoDOT has changed its future revenue projections based on the additional FY 2015 state revenues. Mr. Okenfuss replied MoDOT will evaluate its projections at the time it conducts its financial forecasts in January of next year.

Adjournment

Upon motion made by Mr. Rediger, seconded by Mr. Herbst, the meeting was adjourned unanimously at 2:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Ryan Shrimplin