



## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES**

May 21, 2025

Osage Center

1625 N. Kingshighway, Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

### Board Voting Members Present:

Mr. Matt Winters, City of Jackson  
Mr. Rodney Bollinger, City of Jackson  
Mr. Trevor Pulley, City of Cape Girardeau  
Mr. Drew Christian, SEMO Regional Planning Commission (SEMO RPC)  
Mr. Jeremy Tanz, SEMO Regional Planning Commission (SEMO RPC)  
Mr. Mark Phillips, Cape Special Road District

### Board Non-Voting Members Present

Mr. Cary Harbison, SEMO Port  
Mr. Stephen Daume, Cape Girardeau County  
Ms. Cecelie Cochran, Federal Highway Administration-Mo Division (via Zoom)

### Technical Planning Committee (TPC) Members Present:

Mr. Rodney Bollinger, City of Jackson  
Mr. Shad Burner, SEMO REDI  
Mr. JoJo Stewart, Cape Regional Airport

### Technical Planning Committee (TPC) Non-Voting Members Present:

Mr. Corbin Carlton, Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT)  
Mr. Joe Killian, Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT)  
Mr. Thomas Caldwell, Illinois Department of Transportation (via Zoom)  
Mr. Mike Brandon, Missouri Department of Transportation (via Zoom)

### Others Present:

Mr. John Voss, District 147 State Representative

### Staff Present:

Mr. Alex McElroy, City of Cape Girardeau

### Program Administration/Support Consultant Present:

Ms. Janice Collier, KLG Engineering

### **Call to Order**

Chairman Tanz, called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

## **Introductions**

All those present introduced themselves.

## **Adoption of Agenda**

Upon a motion by Mr. Phillips seconded by Mr. Burner, the agenda of the May 21st, 2025, Board of Directors Meeting was unanimously approved.

## **Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the April 16th, 2025, Chairman Tanz reported a correction to the April minutes, the report was given by Mr. Christian not Mr. Tanz for RPC, and Mr. Christian reported on the TIP updates, not TIF. The Board of Directors Meeting minutes as amended were unanimously approved upon motion by Mr. Winters, seconded by Mr. Phillips.

## **Communications from the Chairman**

Chairman Tanz had no communication.

## **Public Comments**

Chairman Tanz asked if there were any comments from the public regarding items not on the agenda. There were none.

## **New/Unfinished Business**

### **Resolution no. 2025-05 A Resolution approving 2024 – 2027 Transportation Improvement Plan Amendment No. 7-Reading and Passage**

Mr. McElroy stated this is a resolution in support of a Transportation Improvement Plan. Mr. McElroy had previously shared the plan via electronic mail. A number of various projects were included in the amendment. These include the widening of Route K, resurfacing of Hwy 25, Signal at Donna Drive and US 61 bridge rehabilitation. Mr. McElroy asked if there were any questions, there were none. Motion made by Mr. Burner and seconded by Mr. Winters, to approve Resolution No. 2025-05, a Resolution approving 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Plan Amendment No. 7. The motion was passed by unanimous vote.

### **Resolution No. 2025-06, A Resolution Expressing Support of a Transportation Alternatives Program grant application by the City of Jackson – Reading and Passage**

Mr. McElroy stated this is a resolution in support of transportation alternative program for the City of Jackson for public streets. This phase would extend the existing trail 1 1/4 miles from East Jackson Blvd. to the soccer complex. Jackson has been successfully constructed the existing trail using different funding sources. There were no additional questions. A motion was made by Mr. Phillips to approve Resolution No. 2025-06, a Resolution expressing support of Transportation Alternatives Program grant application by the City of Jackson, the motion was seconded by Mr. Burner. The motion was passed by unanimous vote.

**Metropolitan Transportation Plan Update-** Mr. McElroy reported there are two handouts, one being the Progress report, which includes industry and spending data. The consultant is 90% complete with their study. In the planning committee Mr. McElroy is working on stakeholder approached the planning group with the 9 stakeholder groups in the planning committee groups. Mr. McElroy stated they are working on branding, a logo and planning some open houses in June. A location for the open houses has not been secured, at this time.

**MoDOT Unfunded Needs List – Discussion and Motion to Approve**

Mr. McElroy presented 3 handouts, road and bridge has 2 handouts, lists all projects on the unfunded needs list. The other is a one-page handout that list the tiered project list. The planning committee had a discussion on the needs and revised the list. Tier 1 includes 61 and Shawnee Blvd. improvements as a tiered project and added Ozark Parkway, a proposed new road. This would go from Cape County to Carter County. The Ozark Parkway project would include environmental and linkage studies. Tier 2 Exit 93 configuration was moved to Tier 3. Bloomfield bridge replacement remains in Tier 2, and one phase of the I55 widening project. I-55 lighting project was removed, Mo 74 and Shawnee Parkway was also removed. Mr. Brandon stated that Tier 3, I-55 may be tough to keep on the list. Multimodal is also included on this list and lists 4 different modes of travel. On the Bike and Ped section, the committee removed Route D/Broadridge and Route D/Rosebud. They added Hwy 61 (Kingshighway)/Independence and Hwy 61(Kingshighway)/ William to the list for pedestrian crossings. A tier level was also provided for the multimodal transportation projects. A motion was made to approve the MoDOT unfunded Needs List by Mr. Burner and seconded by Mr. Stewart. The motion was unanimously passed.

**SEMPO Region Trail Connection Study** – Mr. McElroy reported that we have a draft plan last month and provided to the TPC, and they have had the opportunity to give comments. There is a link on the SEMPO website. Mr. McElroy advised he is ready to take it to the board in June, and there are no further comments from the board in June. Mr. McElroy asked for any additional comments. Mr. Daume had comments on the recommended route and questioned why County Road 620 was not considered. Mr. McElroy said he could bring this up to the consultants. After further discussion, Mr. McElroy suggested he and Mr. Daume have a meeting with the consultant. Mr. Pulley asked to be included in the meeting. Mr. McElroy stated we may not be ready to submit the proposal by June. There were no further comments.

**Title VI program update – Discussion**

Mr. McElroy stated that the planning committee has released the plan for public comment. The public has 25 days to comment. The approval could be submitted for approval in June. There were no additional questions or comments.

**Member Reports**

Federal Highway Administration-Mo Division- Ms. Cochran reported that they are working on a Nationwide map of freight corridors. They will finalize the maps over the summer. Ms. Cochran also informed the group, that Mr. Weitkamp has resigned.

City of Cape Girardeau – Mr. Pulley reported that Lexington and Perryville Intersection is closed for the next three weeks, for drainage work. They anticipate an August completion date for the Lexington project. The Perryville project should be completed in July. Pulley stated that South Sprigg Street will be closed and anticipate a completion date by the end of the year. The trail is moving along. The council has approved street repairs with a number of streets on the list for repairs this summer. Asphalt work is underway and should be complete by August. Work will be beginning on North Sprigg, from Bertling to Broadway with signal lights and crosswalks at the Show Me Center.

City of Jackson – Mr. Bollinger reported Sunset Hills Bridge project bid opening was held and Putz construction was awarded the contract. Mr. Bollinger reported the East Main Sidewalk project received funding from a TAP Grant with MoDOT and the contract was awarded May 19. Highway

61/Deerwood round-a-bout project, proceeding with MoDOT Cost share, the permits have been requested. Middle School sidewalk project and crosswalk is proceeding with design in progress. A kickoff meeting for this project will be scheduled, North Industrial Park improvements are being completed with Fronabarger continuing to pour concrete for the streets. East Jackson lighting project is proceeding as a cost share project with MoDOT. and the Pedestrian Safety Program kickoff, was held May 3, in conjunction with the city parks day. First compliance studies are being completed, for various crosswalks, in the city. Mr. Bollinger reported they should be out for bid for 2025 concrete street improvements.

Cape Girardeau County – Mr. Daume reported they set the girders on the County Road 501 bridge, the low water bridge on County Road 401 is out for bid and they are beginning paving of thirteen miles of road next week.

Cape Special Road District – Mr. Phillips reported that they are under contract with Penzel Construction for bridge replacement on County Road 635 and County Road 637. Asphalt is under contract with Pace Construction for 8 miles of asphalt work.

SEMO Port – Mr. Harbison reported they are finishing up the driveway and parking lot and opening bids for earthwork rail spurs subgrade.

Cape Regional Airport – Mr. Stewart gave an update on the airport upgrades, these include taxiway upgrades for Delta, Echo and Foxtrot. They are getting bids to demo one hanger. They are acquiring bids and funding sources for fence/security upgrades for the security plan needed for larger planes.

SEMO RPC – No Report Given

SEMO REDI – No Report Given

MoDOT - Mr. Carlton reported that the Route 177 project is near complete, Route Y bridge replacement is still on schedule, Route 72 mill fill overlay is still on schedule, Route K drainage/ditch project will begin soon with the work being done by Putz Construction.

Mr. Killian reported the draft of the STIP has been submitted and is in the public comment period. Comments can be left online. The STIP will be approved by the commission at the July 9<sup>th</sup> meeting. Public meetings will be held in late July or early August.

IDOT –No Report Given

#### Staff Report

Mr. McElroy reported no additional information to report.

#### Other Business and Communications

There was no other business or communications.

#### Adjournment Motion

There being no further business, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 2:55 p.m. upon motion made by Mr. Burner and seconded by Mr. Phillips.

Respectfully submitted,  
Janice Collier