

TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

SCOTAC

August 15, 2023

The following are the TAC members present ("X"):

<i>Commissioners</i>	<i>Appointed TAC Members 1</i>	<i>Appointed TAC Members 2</i>
_____ Travis Cheyney	_____ Brad Loveless	<u> X </u> Suzanne Welsh
<u> X </u> Ralph Riggs	_____ Beverly Hicks	_____ Brian Mitchell
<u> X </u> David Stubblefield, Secretary	<u> X </u> Terry Cline	_____ Bob Robertson
<u> X </u> Terry Newton	_____ Layne Nance	<u> X </u> Gary Collins
<u> X </u> Beth Stewart-Long	<u> X </u> Herman Kelly, Vice Chairman	<u> X </u> David Trotter
<u> X </u> Scott Long	<u> X </u> Ron Scheets	<u> X </u> Keith Cantrell
<u> X </u> Zachary Williams	<u> X </u> Randy Pamperien, Chairman	_____ Tim Schook

SCOCO staff present:

Trent Courtney	-	Executive Director
Angie Ball	-	Communications and Marketing Coordinator
Scotty Simer	-	Planner

MoDOT:

Chris Rutledge

Visitors:

David Norman	-	Ava Mayor
John Casey	-	Texas County Associate Commissioner
Rodney Clouse	-	Douglas County Presiding Commissioner
Michael Ussery	-	Senator Schmitt's Office
Tucker Jobes	-	Senator Schmitt's Office

Per Travis Cheyney, David Norman will be voting in his place, (per bylaws Article 4, Section 4.6)

Randy Pamperien called the meeting to order at 11:03 AM. An introduction of guests and members were made at this time.

Motion to approve the June 20, 2023 minutes was made by Terry Newton and seconded by Terry Cline. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Old Business

None at this time.

New Business

Southeast District Projects and Happenings – *MoDOT Reps.*

Chris discussed local projects and said that overlays, shouldering, and rumble strip work is being done. There is an overlay occurring on US60. Work is occurring on parts of Route 5 in Ozark County. The roundabout in Ava is being finalized. Mountain Grove and Wright County are working on the Route 95 project. Some citizens have concerns about having a roundabout there. Public meetings, etc. are being held. Randy added that he hasn't heard a lot of negative feedback on the project. Chris said that there is a need for the project, and they have had a lot of support for it. Randy also noted that pedestrians crossing the bridge there is a concern.

Beth asked Chris about updates on 19. Chris said that Senator Brown has been hearing concerns, but so far there have been no changes.

Chris informed the Board that the commission, in July, approved the right-of-way construction program. It will provide \$13 billion in the next five years. The challenge, as a state, is that a consultant pool needs to be able to take care of that. They will also need contractors to deliver too. The program is available on the MoDOT website too.

Scott said that a few years ago there was resurface work performed on Highway 63 from Cabool to H Highway. There is still water pooling in the road, and several have hydroplaned there, including John Casey. There have been other incidents there as well. Scott had concerns about the materials used for the resurfacing. Chris said he would look into it.

Trent asked about the TAP funding and if it would be the same amount as last year. Chris said that they haven't been told if the funding would be the same as last year. The deadline is next week. He also said that he is not aware of any carryover funds either.

Ralph asked about a left hand turn on K Highway and Worley Drive in West Plains. Chris said that officials have observed traffic backing up in that intersection, and it is a safety issue. There have been conversations with the city and local businesses about the issue, and MoDOT might possibly install delineators.

Trent said that he has received questions regarding the stop light at 160 and Ramseur Farm Road and asked if a traffic study has been performed. Chris said that they had a consultant and Pete Berry perform a traffic study that evaluated intersections as to how a stoplight would work. There is no final report yet.

Randy asked about the BRO funding. Chris didn't know the status of those. Trent outlined the process and criteria for BRO funding. Scott voiced concerns about fair representation for the smaller communities. Chris said that it is a statewide concern. Trent added that it is a good idea to discuss scoring and understand it better.

Open Discussion

The next TAC meeting will be held **December 19, 2023.**

There being no other business to discuss, motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Ron Scheets and seconded by David Trotter. All were in favor. The motion carried at 11:41 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Reviewed for Content,

Angie Ball
Communications and Marketing
Coordinator

David Stubblefield
TAC Secretary