

**SOUTHEAST MISSOURI REGIONAL PLANNING AND
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Meeting Summary
January 28, 2025**

The quarterly meeting of the Transportation Advisory Committee did have a quorum present. The meeting took place on Tuesday, January 28, 2025, at the SEMO Regional Planning Commission in Perryville, Missouri.

ATTENDEES

Board Members:

Chairman: Jim Scaggs, Iron County - present
Vice- Chairman: Brent Buerck – present
Secretary: Randy Ruzicka, Ste. Genevieve County - present

Voting Members:

Leo Arnzen, Bollinger County - absent	Travis Parker, City of Fredericktown - absent
Chad Hulvey, Bollinger County – absent	Mike Sauer, Perry County - present
Trey Wiginton, City of Marble Hill- present	Jay Wengert, Perry County – present
Clint Tracy, Cape Girardeau County - absent	Larry Riney, City of Perryville - absent
Stacy Kinder, City of Cape Girardeau – absent	Harold Gallaher, St. Francois County – absent
Dwain Hahs, City of Jackson- absent	Larry Forsythe, City of Farmington - absent
Stephen Daume, Cape Girardeau County - present	Paul Hassler, City of Ste. Genevieve - absent
Johnny Setzer, City of Viburnum – absent	Paul Monia, City of Bloomsdale - absent
Scott Oatman, City of Annapolis - absent	Pete Pasternak City of Desloge- absent
Jason Green, Madison County - absent	
Larry Kemp, Madison County – present	

Alternative Voting Members:

Tim Shelby, Bollinger County - absent	Keith Hoehn, Perry County - present
Kevin Cooper, Bollinger County - absent	Jared Kutz, Perry County – absent
Charles Fischer, City of Marble Hill – absent	Kary Buckley, St. Francois County- absent
Alex McElroy, MPO- absent	Shawn Kay, City of Bonne Terre – absent
Rodney Bollinger, City of Jackson - present	Greg Beavers, City of Farmington - absent
Ben Young, Iron County - absent	Karen Stuppy, Ste. Genevieve County - absent
Don Firebaugh, Madison County – absent	Happy Welch, City of Ste. Genevieve - present
Tom Stevens, Madison County - absent	Rick Drury, City of Bloomsdale - absent
James Settle, City of Fredericktown - present	David Kater, St. Francois County - present
Mark Mayberry – Ste Genevieve County – present	Kent Marler, Madison County - present
Ashely Baudendistel, City of Fredericktown – present	

At Large Members:

Mandi Brink, SEMO Port – absent
Crystal Jones, Perry County EDA - absent
Ronnie Inman, New Bourbon Port - absent
Denny Ward, SMTS – absent
Tracy Jones, SMTS - present

MoDOT Representative in Attendance:

Joe Killian
Corbin Carlton
Melissa Rose

Staff and other individuals in Attendance

Drew Christian, RPC
Jeremy Tanz, RPC
Samantha Harris, RPC
Sandra Cabot, MoDED
Kevin Cook, SFCO IDA
Justin Kitchell, Bismarck Airport Manager

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Scaggs at 2:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said and followed by introductions.

Chairman Scaggs requested a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Ruzicka moved to approve the agenda, Mr. Buerck seconded the motion, motion carried.

Chairman Scaggs requested a motion to approve the minutes of the October 22, 2024, meeting. Mr. Welch moved to approve the minutes, Mr. Wiginton seconded the motion, motion carried.

Mr. Christian gave the update on the Cape Girardeau / Jackson Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). The MPO was Federally mandated over a decade ago. When the Cape Girardeau / Jackson urbanized area hit 50,000 population it was required to form an MPO. The MPO runs like the TAC, but only for the Cape Girardeau / Jackson area. The RPC is in the Technical Planning Committee and the MPO Board. The RPC helps maintain their TIP. There is an amendment coming up that Mr. Christian is working on, and he will also be working on the 5-year update for the TIP. They are also about to start their Metropolitan Transportation Plan update as well. The contractor has been selected for the plan updates.

Mr. Christian went over handouts for Blueprint for Safer roads. Six of our seven counties have no fatalities as of 31 January 2025.

Mr. Christian gave a follow up on the Multimodal TAC. Multimodal TAC is now part of our MODOT contract. We had our first meeting of the MTAC last Thursday and had representatives from all four modes.

Mr. Christian gave the following update on the review of the bylaws. The revisions to the TAC bylaws are in your packets for your review. They will be submitted to the RPC Board in February for their approval. The MTAC will be official once the updated bylaws are approved at the February 2025 RPC meeting.

Report From MoDOT Representatives:

Corbin Carlton: Mr. Carlton has replaced Chris Crocker. Mr. Carlton gave the following updates:
MO 51, Bollinger and Stoddard Counties – Pavement resurfacing work not yet started.
US61, Cape Girardeau County – working with contractors this week. Hoping to open later this week due to equipment.
RT D, Cape Girardeau County – bridge replacement, the road has been closed with a sign and detour.
RT ZZ, Bollinger County - Bridge replacement, work has not yet started.
MO49, Iron County – Bridge replacement work has not been started.
MO51, Perry County – Bridge replacement has no delays
Berry Rd, St. Francois County

Joe Killian: gave the following updates. The past lettings from October 2024 through December 2024 contracts have been awarded. The ones from January are still pending until the Highway Commission meets in the first week of February. Governor's cost share program 2023, St. Francois County – New Berry Road Bridge – Construction has started and anticipated completion by 7/31/2025. Cost Share Program has lots of funds available. Please submit your applications so we are able to maintain the funding we receive.

Melissa Rose: gave the following updates on the BRO call. 2024 selection are St. Francois and Ste. Genevieve Counties. Both should be a priority 1. When completing your BRO applications make sure you have someone who is current on their certifications. Classes are available on March 26 in St. Louis, April 10th in Kansas City and online is also available. This is a 2-year certificate.

Reports on Issues or Concerns

None at this time.

Other Business:

Mr. Tanz discussed that the SEMO Ready Group out of Cape Girardeau is starting to investigate an East to West Corridor to connect Paducah to Cape Girardeau and beyond. I am sure they are going to want to run that through the TAC.

The next TAC meeting was set for April 29, 2025, at 2:00 p.m.

Mr. Buerck moved to adjourn meeting; Mr. Christian seconded; motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 2:32 p.m.