Minutes

JOPLIN AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY ORGANIZATION
POLICY BOARD
THURSDAY, JUNE 23, 2016
1:30 P.M.

Meeting Called to Order

Old Business

Review and approval of the April 21, 2016 minutes – *Action Item*

The incorrect minutes were provided for the meeting. Steve Lawver moved to table the approval of minutes until the next meeting. Steve Stockham seconded the motion.

New Business

TIP Amendments – *Action Item*

Taylor Cunningham explained that these TIP amendments go along with the MoDOT STIP amendments and also include the STP Urban projects that were approved by the JATSO Policy Board in April. There will be lots of new projects in Joplin, including several ADA projects. Frank Miller stated that MoDOT funding came in better than initially projected. The Major Routes Resurfacing Plan was continuing. Whenever a road is resurfaced by MoDOT, they are required to address ADA issues and improvements. The TIP has to be updated to include new estimates from MoDOT in the STIP. The overall direction for MoDOT's program right now is asset management, so they will be resurfacing on a cycle to maintain the same level of condition on major and minor roads as well as adding bridge projects to address Missouri's critical condition bridges.

Frank also mentioned that there is a new intersection cost-share program for intersection improvements that include at least one MoDOT route. Taylor is working with JATSO jurisdictions to identify potential projects. MoDOT will probably have the process figured out by early August.

Taylor explained that the projects in the TIP are organized by sponsor and new projects are in green in the summary table. Nick suggested that the project on the second page be changed from 'Hearnes Boulevard' to 'Main Street' to reflect the recent street name change. No public comment has been received on the TIP amendment.

Steve Stockham moved to approve the TIP amendments. Dan Salisbury seconded. All members voted in favor.

UPWP Amendments – *Action Item*

This UPWP amendment includes new planning projects that had been previously discussed in order to spend down the CPG fund balance as well as an update to the funding summary tables.

The first project is Phase II of the Comprehensive Plan update for the City of Joplin. Joplin will pay for 40% based on the amount of transportation-related content in the new code. The total project cost is $100,000. Federal funding: $60,000. Local funding: $40,000 (City of Joplin).

The second new task is an update to the existing Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation Plan. The total project cost is $100,000. Federal funding: $80,000. Local funding: $20,000.

Carl Junction's match: 2,151.17.

Webb City's match: $3,177.21.
Joplin's match: $14,671.62.

Steve Stockham moved to approve the UPWP amendment. Steve Lawver seconded. All members voted in favor.

FSCAA 'Path Forward' – Dan Pekarek, *Action Item*

Dan Pekarek gave a summary of how the Four States' Clean Air Alliance was formed after the Joplin urbanized area came close to being in non-attainment for ground level ozone. The Environmental Task Force formed the FSCAA which has been working on the Path Forward document. This document is a requirement of the EPA Ozone Advance Program, which provides technical assistance and support for clean air alliances.

The Path Forward document is an updated and expanded version of the Clean Air Action Plan. Dan summarized the Path Forward document. The FSCAA supports transportation projects that reduce idle time for vehicles and projects that promote a multi-modal transportation system. Dan discussed the FSCAA connecting with Northwest Arkansas's Regional Planning Commission to work together on clean air advocacy. Dan reiterated that the EPA does not take transport ozone into consideration for non-attainment status.

Steve Lawver moved to approve the Path Forward document. Steve Stockham seconded. All members voted in favor.

Other Business

Complete Streets presentation – Michael Swan

Michael Swan has been involved with the Missouri Bicycle and Pedestrian Federation and has been to Bicycle Advocacy Day in Jefferson City. He is a transportation planner with the Harry S. Truman Coordinating Council (HSTCC) in Carl Junction. Michael presented on the Complete Streets concept to promote the accommodation of all users on city streets in Joplin.

JATSO Operations matrix and letter

Taylor gave an update on the operations task matrix for JATSO to maintain compliance with federal regulations with MPOs. JATSO has continued to make progress and recently submitted a draft Title VI Plan to FHWA and FTA's Civil Rights divisions for review. JATSO and MoDOT continue to have monthly coordination meetings to review progress.

Coordinated Human Services Plan

FHWA and FTA instructed JATSO to look into when the Coordinated Human Services Plan might need to be updated. Frank Miller shared that the last update was done under a MoDOT statewide initiative in conjunction with HSTCC.

Public Involvement Plan amendments

Taylor explained that FTA and FHWA have asked JATSO to update their Public Involvement Plan to include longer public comment periods for amendments to work products and plans. JATSO members can expect to see these preliminary changes at the next JATSO meeting.

Missouri Moves – Frank Miller

Frank Miller from MoDOT explained the new Missouri Moves program. The purpose of the Missouri Moves Cost Share Program is to build partnerships with local entities to pool efforts and resources to

deliver transportation projects. The Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) funds this program with General Revenue appropriations from the General Assembly.

The Missouri Moves Cost Share Program provides financial assistance to public and private applicants for state and local projects satisfying a transportation need. Eligible projects include roads, bridges, bicycle/pedestrian accommodations and multimodal facilities. A total of $20 million is available. MoDOT participates up to 50 percent of the total project costs. One-third of the funds are set aside for multimodal and bicycle/pedestrian projects. Up to 25 percent of the funds may be distributed to projects in any one MoDOT district.

Projects are selected by the Cost Share/Economic Development Committee, which consists of the Chief Engineer, Chief Financial Officer and the Assistant Chief Engineer. They are then recommended for Commission approval via a STIP amendment.

Adjournment