

ST. JOSEPH AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY
COORDINATING COMMITTEE
4th Floor Conference Room – City Hall – St. Joseph
12:00 noon – January 25, 2018

Voting members present:

Bob Dempster	Citizen at Large
Donna Jean Boyer	City of St. Joseph
Kent O’Dell	City of St. Joseph
Ken Beck	City of St. Joseph
Bruce Woody	City of St. Joseph
Bruce Lundy	City of Savannah

Staff members present:

Chance Long	City of St. Joseph
Caitlin Zibers	City of St. Joseph

Others present:

Don Wichern	MoDOT
Martin Lyles	MoDot
Shannon Kusilek	MoDOT – NW
Chris Crain	City of St. Joseph
Andy Clements	City of St. Joseph
Brady McKinley	City of St. Joseph
Keven Schneider	City of St. Joseph
Scott Gatewood	City of St. Joseph

There were several State and Federal guests in attendance.

OPENING REPORTS –Chairperson Dempster opened the meeting.

Roll Call. A quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes. Minutes from the November 16, 2017 meeting were approved after a motion to accept by Member Beck and seconded by Member Lundy.

NEW BUSINESS –

TIP Emergency Amendment. Shannon Kusilek with MoDot, requested an adjustment in the TIP for the I-229 Environmental Assessment to increase the funding amount for an environmental study. Member Woody motioned to approve the request, Member Boyer seconded the motion. The request was approved.

Upcoming TIP Call for Projects. The TIP call for projects is going out. The process is online through Google Documents; the new TIP will be effective July 1st pending the governor’s approval. No action was necessary.

2018 Safety Targets. Safety Targets separate from the state DOTs have been established by the MPO. A copy of the power point presentation was attached to the agenda. The current transportation bill, FAST Act, requires DOTs and MPOs to continue working towards performance based planning. This requires the DOTs and MPOs

to establish performance targets that will be incorporated into the MTP and TIP. Safety targets were adopted by the state DOTs on August 31st for reductions in fatalities, fatality rates, serious injuries, serious injury rates and non-motorized serious injury and fatalities.

Based on the data currently available, MPO staff established safety targets. Data for targets was provided by both DOTs, however it is a limited year set, only going as far back as 2009. No direct access to the data is currently available. Initial data shows that the SJATSO area is well below state targets on everything but serious injury rates; in this SJATSO is triple that of the state goals. The MPO will be working with local law enforcement as they analyze the data to see if specific trends emerge. Seat belt laws and texting bans that are not yet laws in Missouri are believed to affect the serious injury rates.

The MPO supports regional and local jurisdictions by interpreting the data provided into a usable form. The 2 Methodologies that were used to break down the data is Forecasting output; using past data to forecast and make predictions and Committee consensus. Currently the MPO does not have a break down for some of the data details to make it more meaningful. This year the local MPO will be making safety push and looking into why the numbers are high in this region. Proposed goals and targets are reset annually. It was noted that no funding it tied to meeting goals.

Member Beck motioned to accept the proposed Safety Targets, Member Boyer seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

Public Comments and Questions. None

ADJOURN –

The meeting adjourned after a motion by Member Beck. The next regular meeting is scheduled for March 29, 2018, 4th Floor, City Hall