



**MISSOURI HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION**

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**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION MEETING HELD IN JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI,
TUESDAY, APRIL 30, 2024**

A special meeting of the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission was held on Tuesday, April 30, 2024, at the Missouri Department of Transportation, 105 W. Capitol Avenue, Jefferson City, Missouri. W. Dustin Boatwright, P.E., Chairman, called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. The following Commissioners were present: Gregg C Smith, Warren K. Erdman, Francis G. Slay, Daniel J. Hegeman, and Ann Marie Baker.

The meeting was called pursuant to Section 226.120 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, as amended. The Secretary verified that notice of the meeting was posted in keeping with Section 610.020 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, as amended.

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Patrick McKenna, Director of the Missouri Department of Transportation; Rich Tiemeyer, Chief Counsel for the Commission; and Pamela J. Harlan, Secretary to the Commission, were present on Tuesday, April 30, 2024.

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“Commission” or “MHTC” herein refers to Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission.*

-- CLOSED MEETING --

VOTE TO CLOSE MEETING

The agenda of the closed meeting was posted in keeping with Sections 610.020 and 610.022, RSMo, including the following statutory citations allowing the meeting to be closed:

1. Section 610.021(1) – Legal actions and attorney-client privileged communications.
2. Section 610.021(3), (13) – Personnel administration regarding particular employees.
3. Section 610.021(11), (12) – Competitive bidding specs, sealed bids, or negotiated contracts.
4. Section 610.021(21) – Computer or telecommunications network.

Upon motion duly made and seconded to convene in closed session, the Chairman called for a voice vote of the members. The vote was as follows:

Commissioner Boatwright, Aye
Commissioner Smith, Aye
Commissioner Erdman, Aye
Commissioner Slay, Aye
Commissioner Hegeman, Aye
Commissioner Baker, Aye

The Commission met in closed session on Tuesday, April 30, 2024, at 3:30 p.m. and adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

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-- OPEN MEETING --

COMMISSION/DIRECTOR ITEMS

COMMISSION WORKSHOP – MHTC ORIENTATION

The Commission held a workshop to learn more about asset management. Patrick McKenna, Director; Eric Schroeter, Assistant Chief Engineer; and Llans Taylor, Transportation Planning Director, reviewed the asset management plan, including condition trends, maintenance and operations, and projected system condition.

Since transportation needs greatly outweigh funding available, the challenge is determining the optimal projects to fund that provide the greatest return on investment to taxpayers. Across every region of the state, feedback from Missourians has consistently prioritized maintaining the existing system as the highest priority. Other priorities include projects that improve safety, spur economic growth and provide more transportation choices. Asset management has helped the department focus its efforts on maintaining the existing system.

Mr. Taylor then reviewed the conditions of major roads, minor roads, and low volume roads, and the cost associated with maintenance of those roadways. He also reviewed major and typical bridges, and the number of bridges in poor condition. While the number of poor bridges has decreased, the department still has work to do to achieve the optimum goal.

Britni O’Connor, Planning and Programming Coordinator, briefly discussed the strategic plan for managing MoDOT’s assets to deliver desired condition and performance. The benefits of asset management is it allows data driven decision making, demonstrates the implication of current investments on future asset conditions and gap where greater investment is needed, provides a strategy framework for consistency across the state, and communicates the value of preservation.

Becky Allmeroth, Chief Safety and Operations Officer, presented the maintenance, operations, and safety expenditures. She highlighted the maintenance team, buildings, activities, and equipment used for planned maintenance pavement repair, striping and signing, chip seals, pipe replacement, bridge and maintenance. Ms. Allmeroth reviewed the routine maintenance conducted by the department such as pothole patching, edge rut repair, and roadsides such as mowing, brush cutting, and litter and debris pickup.

The Commission discussed with the department the importance of maintaining the current transportation assets. They also thanked all of the presenters for the information and presentations.

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By unanimous consensus of all members present, the meeting of the Commission adjourned.

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The Mission of the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission is to:

- Represent the citizens of Missouri pursuant to the Constitution by providing independent and nonpartisan governance of the Missouri Department of Transportation; and
- Establish policies, exercise oversight, and ensure accountability in developing and maintaining a world class transportation system in Missouri which fosters safety and economic development.

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