

**Minutes of Meeting  
SATS TECHNICAL COMMITTEE  
December 1, 2011**

**ATTENDANCE**

**Technical Committee Voting Members**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Chair Linda Tisdale	Springfield Mass Transit District
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Vice-Chair Tim Sheehan	City of Springfield
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mike Williamsen	Village of Chatham
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tim Zahn	Sangamon County
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Norm Sims	Springfield-Sangamon County Regional Planning Commission
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Laura Mlacnik*	Illinois Department of Transportation: Region 4, District 6

\* Represented by Sal Madonia

**Technical Committee Advisors – Non-Voting**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Thomas Caldwell	IDOT: Urban Program Planning
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	JD Stevenson	Federal Highway Administration: Illinois Division Office
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mike Stead	Illinois Commerce Commission
<input type="checkbox"/>	Terry Fountain	IDOT: District 6: Local Roads and Streets
<input type="checkbox"/>		IDOT: Division of Public and Intermodal Transportation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mark Hanna*	Springfield Airport Authority

\* Represented by Traci Carter

**Others**

Neha Agarwal – Regional Planning Commission  
 Nate Baker – Regional Planning Commission  
 Brian Day – Coalition for Citizens with Disabilities in Illinois  
 Stan Hansen – Crawford, Murphy & Tilly  
 Phil Koeberlein – Cummins Engineering  
 Brad Mosier – Coalition for Citizens with Disabilities in Illinois  
 Kyle Phillips – Regional Planning Commission  
 Dale Schultz – Regional Planning Commission  
 Linda Wheeland – Regional Planning Commission

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Linda Tisdale called the meeting of the SATS Technical Committee to order.

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – 11/03/11 SATS Technical Committee Meeting**

Tisdale asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the November 3, 2011 SATS Technical Committee meeting. There were none. Norm Sims made a motion to approve the minutes. Mike Williamsen seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

**III. 2035 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN**

**A. Crash Locations Improvement Prioritization**

Wheeland stated that a spreadsheet showing intersections where improvements had been made was sent out to SATS members. Late yesterday, a response was received from IDOT indicating additional information. Staff would like time to review and incorporate the new data received and present the findings during the January SATS Technical meeting.

**IV. 2012-2015 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM CHANGES**

**A. Amendment #3**

Madonia introduced TIP Amendment #3 to the SATS Technical Committee members.

**WHEREAS**, Structure No. 084-0152 and Structure No. 084-0153, located on I-72, 3.5 miles east of I-55 over the Sangamon River, are in need of rehabilitation and repairs due to mine subsidence and deterioration; and

**WHEREAS**, the Illinois Department of Transportation District 6 requests that the FY-2012 Annual Element of the FY/2012-2015 TIP be amended by adding the project listed below; and

**Project Description and Funding:**

Project/ Jurisdiction/ Class		Location		Action/Comments	Funding Source		Total Cost
<b>A3</b>	I-72	<b>Termini:</b>	Structures No. 084-0152 & 084-0153 over the Sangamon River 3.5 Mi E of I-55.	Bridge Rehabilitation & Repair	Interstate		
	State of Illinois	<b>Contract#</b>	72F01		Maintenance	2,430,000	
	Interstate	<b>TIP#</b>	04-2012-13		State	270,000	
							<b>\$2,700,000</b>

**WHEREAS**, the funding used for this project will not affect any other project in the TIP.

Tim Zahn made a motion to recommend approval of Amendment #3 to the 2012-2015 TIP to the Policy Committee. Tim Sheehan seconded the motion and the vote to recommend approval was unanimous.

**V. TECHNICAL ADVISOR UPDATES**

**A. Illinois Department of Transportation: Central Bureau of Urban Program Planning**

Tom Caldwell stated that Linda Wheeland had asked himself and JD Stevenson to brief SATS members on proposed Senate Bill 1813. The bill proposes a new threshold of 200,000 population for MPOs. Currently the threshold is 50,000. Stevenson stated that the Environment and Public Works Committee in the Senate has approved the bill also known as Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century (MAP-21). MPOs that are currently active but do not meet the new threshold would be terminated three years after the federal transportation secretary promulgates regulations. Caldwell stated that current MPOs could petition to keep their designation if certain, currently unnamed, standards are met. Stevenson added that the support of the Governor would also be needed.

Norm Sims stated that to remain an MPO in these cases would not be ‘at will’ and would require the consent of two levels of bureaucracy. Sims also stated that the consideration to remain an MPO is either an annual or biannual approval and may be revoked at any time at either the state or federal level.

Caldwell stated that if the bill is enacted, only 5 MPOs would continue to exist in Illinois, those being the current Transportation Management Areas (TMAs).

Williamsen asked if there are any provisions for funding in the bill. Sims answered that there is no guarantee that current resources would continue.

Sims asked if the Technical Committee should send on to the Policy Committee an advisory on SATS’

position on the matter. Tisdale stated that SMTD would be opposed to the change in threshold proposed in the bill.

Mike Williamsen made a motion to direct staff to draft a letter regarding SATS' position on the proposed bill to the congressional delegation. Norm Sims seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

**B. Federal Highway Administration: Illinois Division Office**

No report was given.

**C. Illinois Department of Transportation: Local Roads and Streets**

Kim Cummins stated that HSIP and HRRRP grant applications will be solicited till mid-April. Local meetings about the Multi-Year Program to plan the next four year cycle will be scheduled shortly.

**D. Illinois Commerce Commission**

No report was given.

**E. Springfield Airport Authority**

No report was given.

**VI. AGENCY UPDATES**

**A. Springfield-Sangamon County Regional Planning Commission**

Wheeland introduced Nate Baker as a new staff member.

Norm Sims suggested that SATS members may be interested to view the staff's presentation of a Transit Orientated Development project, prepared by Neha Agarwal.

A presentation of the Transit Orientated Development project will be made after the conclusion of the January SATS Technical Committee Meeting.

**B. Springfield Mass Transit District**

No report was given.

**C. City of Springfield**

No report was given.

**D. Sangamon County**

Zahrn stated that the County has applied for a TIGER III grant for the Iron Bridge Rd and Woodside Rd project. Zahrn reported that he has been working with IDOT Bureau of Railroads regarding the at-grade crossing on Woodside Rd and the elimination of the crossing.

The County held a well received public information meeting last Tuesday regarding the Bradfordton Rd

project from Old Jacksonville Rd to Washington St.

**E. Illinois Department of Transportation: Region 4, District 6**

Madonia reported that winter shut-down has taken effect in Springfield. The Clear Lake Avenue and Dirksen Parkway project will continue through the winter with work concentrating on the north side of Clear Lake Avenue.

IDOT held two public informational meetings. One meeting was held to discuss the I-55 widening to 6-lanes around Springfield project and the other to discuss the 6<sup>th</sup> Street project from I-55 to Stanford Avenue. From these meetings, advisor committees are being established.

**F. Village of Chatham**

No report was given.

**VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

**VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**A. Bicycle/Pedestrian Way Plan**

Wheeland stated that the meeting scheduled for November 30 has been postponed indefinitely while the City reviews the draft plan.

**B. Small Community MPO Representation (Tabled)**

Tisdale asked if any SATS member would like to bring the Small Community MPO Representation discussion off the table. The item remained tabled.

**IX. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Next Meeting Date – Thursday, January 5, 2012 at 8:30 AM**

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the regular meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kyle Phillips  
Recording Secretary