

TILLAMOOK COUNTY ROAD ADVISORY COMMITTEE

February 09, 2009

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Curt Schonbrod, Jerry Dove, Darcy Jones, John Gettman,

MEMBERS ABSENT: Gary Hercher, Gary Hanenkrat, Gus Meyer, Bob Garrigues, Steve Macartney

PW STAFF: Liane Welch, Dave Schrom, Jeanette Steinbach

PUBLIC: Dora Norwood

Item 1. Meeting called to order at 3:05 pm by Curt Schonbrod. No quorum.

Item 2. Minutes Approval: January 12, 2008 minutes amended per Darcy Jones that *State Hwy 22 was not cleared during the storm in a timely manner by the ODOT Lincoln County crew.* Jeanette to add it to the minutes for approval at the next meeting.

Item 3. Vegetation Management Plan presentation: This item tabled for the next meeting. Mike Wynands snow plowing.

Liane introduced Dave Schrom as the recently hired Engineering Project Supervisor. Dave Schrom owned his own firm for 6.5 years. He likes the Netarts area and his long-term goal was to move to Tillamook. He was glad to take advantage of this job opportunity. His family is still in Aloha. He is also is the land-use Chair of Netarts CPAC (Citizen's Planning Advisory Committee). He is enjoying working for Tillamook Co. Public Works. His goal is to concentrate on the development pieces, and coordinate the Bridge, sign, and levee programs. He mentioned that he has Project and Management experience but not with AASHTO standards. Darcy does not agree with AASHTO standards, and cited Sandlake/McPhillips as an example.

Item 4. Senate Bill 994 and summer program: Summer program tabled until the next meeting. SB994: 10% match monies needed for Salmonberry Bridge \$150,000. Bixby Rd. culvert needs to be replaced with a bridge – school buses are now been advised to stop before proceeding.

Item 5. Budget: Liane stated that the budget is due to the Treasurer by March 6, 2009. The goal is to submit the budget on the condition that CRAC would need to review it. Liane will bring the budget to the March 9, 2009 meeting. Liane also mentioned Public Works has gone back to 3 districts because 2 districts do not work due to the challenge of coordinating storm events, and being more cost effective in managing maintenance programs.

Item 5. River sediment – review letter to the BOC: Steve McCartney is not present at the meeting. Curt will follow up with Steve. After a long regulator process, gravel now can be removed from seven sites on the Nestucca, Trask, Wilson, Kilchis and Miami rivers, along with two additional sites on the Nehalem River.

Item 5. Construction Project Update: Liane Welch

- Long Prairie Road/101 Intersection: This project has only 4 punch list items to do, and the project will be completed. OTIA will pay for the damage incurred by the 2008 floods. Rip rap was placed on the downstream side, controlled density fill was placed on the shoulder and vegetation will be the key in controlling the water. ODOT stimulus package might pave State Hwy 101 from 12th street to Famer Creek.
- Johnson Bridge: Should open soon. Delays are being caused by the quality of rock, and loss of the banks. The federal stimulus package of \$500,000 might be used to finish the approaches of the Johnson Bridge. The question was raised as to why this is not a single span design. Liane said that this project was designed prior to her arrival.

- Boulder Creek Road: Would like to replace the culvert with a 90' bridge. Nestucca Watershed might be able to help fund this repair project through an OWEB grant. The slump is being monitored.

Item 6. FEMA/FHWA Projects:

- Salmonberry Bridge: Liane submitted mini RFP to ODOT in November. Waiting review comments from ODOT. This is a permanent fix. There is a need to coordinate with Port of Tillamook for movement of tracks to place the abutment.
- Fawcett Creek: There is a public meeting scheduled February 19th at 5-7pm at the ATV Center. The bid is tentatively planned to be opened May 21 with construction to start July 1, 2009. Darcy mentioned that Pleasant Valley is thinking of boring a water line but funding is an issue which amounted to \$7,000. The contingency plan is to allow them to place a line within the bridge. John remarked that the City of Bay City is boring its water lines because of the potential of earthquakes.
- 2007 flood projects: East Beaver Creek Road is closed at MP 3.5. Darcy suggested that BLM and ODF come up with a plan to fix the road. Cochran Road is waiting for Washington County to fix their portion, and once that is done ODF may be able to take over the road through jurisdictional transfer. Jerry will talk to the Port about the rock quarry located there. Cape Meares Loop Bypass is a projected funded by Federal Hwy at 90%. This bypass will prevent Cape Meares from being isolated should Bay Ocean be closed due to slides.

Item 7. Road Dept Update:

- Rock Crushing Contract: Bid opens March 05, 2009 with a mandatory site visit planned for 02-19-09. Dave is the Project Manager.
- Equipment Purchase: Working on purchasing a rubber-tired Excavator. Darcy said that tract excavators are a better purchase, and he does not understand the reasoning behind purchasing a tired Excavator. Liane said that Chris Loffelmacher, Shop Foreman spent extensive time researching the different types of excavator, and Chris had conversations with the Foreman, crew and other public agencies, and felt that this was the best option for our type of work.
- Staffing: 3 Road Maintenance Equipment Operators, an Engr. Tech together with an Engr. Project Supervisor were recently hired bringing the staff to 25.
- Pavement Management: Liane handed out the Executive Summary of the Pavement Management Program that was done by Capitol Asset and Pavement Services, Inc. The report is available for review at the office. The PCI went from 48% to 45% which is the lowest in the State. Storms have a tremendous impact on our roads. Liane would like to complete the Paving schedule in the fall so that coordination of costs, right of issues could be done,
- Ditching inventory just completed with 120 miles in good condition and 15 miles needing immediate attention. There is still a lot of flood damage, so the crew can't get to the ditching program

Unscheduled: Paving: No cost from S-C Paving until they know what the oil price will be. Liane said that materials are bought locally if they are compatible. Quality of the material was raised. S-C Paving could be approached to do a test sampling. Darcy mentioned that some of the roads in Tillamook County suffer pavement damage if equipment is not handled carefully. Darcy also suggested that when ODOT paved the Little Nestucca and other state highways, they went in with Polk County. The material was hauled from Dayton or Salem. Liane will check with Polk County for price agreements, cost and availability.

Item 8 Public Comment: Dora would like an update on the ATV request on the Trask River Road. Liane said that she talked with Mr. Blum, and he felt that the Road Dept. has a lot of work, so he dropped his request. Liane said she is not a strong proponent of this request. Trask River Road is too narrow with posted speed of 55MPH.

Item 9 Next Meeting: The next meeting is scheduled for March 09, 2009 at 3pm Conference Room B. Agenda items to include:

- Vegetation Management Plan
- Budget
- Summer program
- Stephen's letter regarding the sediment on the rivers

Item 10 **Adjourn:** Meeting adjourned at 4:15pm.