

TILLAMOOK COUNTY ROADS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (C.R.A.C.)

DATE: April 10, 2000

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mary Cramer, Marlin Clark, Norm Myers, Bill Howard, Ray Streeter, Curt Schonbrod, Bob Reed, Jack Brooks

STAFF: Jon Oshel/Director, Tim Josi/Commissioner, and Jeanette Steinbach/Recorder

PUBLIC: Lyle Woodward, Diane Waldron, and Dora Norwood

GUESTS: Janet Trueblood

ITEM 1 REVIEW AGENDA: Meeting called to order at 3:05pm. Agenda accepted.

ITEM 2 MINUTES: Minutes of 02-14-00 and 03-06-00 were approved as written.

ITEM 3 FINAL REVIEW OF COUNTY FUNDING POLICY FOR COUNTY/COMMUNITY PAVING PROJECTS - JON OSHEL: Discussion ensued. Bob Reed made a motion that the policies should be combined with some editorial changes and to include the cap and allocation changes approved at the 02-14-00 meeting, Jack Brooks seconded. Unanimously approved. Jon to present to CRAC before approval by the BOC.

ITEM 4 NEGOTIATIONS WITH SHILO ENTERPRISES RE CAPE MEARES LOOP: Jon said that negotiations are still going on with Shiloh to use their detour road. Tim Josi mentioned that at the Oceanside Community Club meeting the public stated that they would like the county to negotiate with Shiloh to use their detour road. Tim stated that the decision to close the road was suppose to be only for the winter while the slide was still moving, and so it is expected that the road will be reopened for the summer. Bob Reed suggested that installations of more specific signs for the Lighthouse are needed. Curt encouraged Jon not to spend too much money on an unreliable detour when other roads are failing.

ITEM 5 BUSINESS PLAN PROPOSAL - JON OSHEL: Jon referred to the Draft scope of work that was attached to the Agenda. He asked if the whole committee wanted to be involved in this process. Editorial suggestions were made. Discussion as to how to get businesses interested if it is contingent on budget approval. Suggestion was made to find out how much it would cost, present it to the Budget Committee and then do an RFP. Marlin said he wasn't sure why the road department needed a consultant and how it was going to be funded. Mary said the consultant would look at the ability of the Road Department being more cost effective, marketing of services, and a marketing plan. Jon said, he at this point could show how much is spent on maintenance activities but not how effective it is. Tim Josi said he was concerned that if the proposal were based on budget approval the response would be lukewarm. Curt asked if they would be a conflict of interests having departments use the Road Department even though they may not be cheaper. Tim said he didn't think so. Bob Reed felt that having a good cost accounting system would make this department more cost efficient. Bill Howard said that with the present number of employees, the Road Department is doing a

tremendous job and he could not understand what further improvement was needed. Jon said that having a cost per unit would show the efficiencies. The monies to fund this business plan, if approved by the Budget Committee, would be O&C or State Forest receipts. Dora asked Curt if he agreed with the unit pricing concept. Curt said that although his employers have used it, he wasn't in a position to know if it was useful or not. Curt said it he was skeptical that it would be effective because of the different variables involved. Lyle Woodward asked why property tax couldn't be used for roads, Jon said that it is a State law that property taxes could only be used for dedicated sources. Lyle said he thought it was unfair that the road department cannot get monies and other departments have no problems getting funds. Mary asked Members if they wanted to continue to pursue the idea of unit costing, the majority agreed that it should be pursued. Jon to put an ad in the Daily Journal for requests.

ITEM 6 BUDGET DISCUSSION - JON OSHEL: Jon went through the handouts. He reminded the committee that the budget was submitted out of balance on the their recommendation. Jon said that unless stable funding was available crew size would not be increased. Jon to bring details of budget expenditures to the next meeting so that each line item can be reviewed. Bob Reed questioned the Intercounty/Administration budgeted amount of \$140,000 considering that they are less employees now, and in 1997/98 it was \$85,000 with more employees. Committee went through Administrative Functions.

ITEM 9 PUBLIC COMMENT: Lyle asked if was economical after the Business Plan was completed if work would be contracted out? Jon and Mary said all options would be looked at. Lyle said that the public should appreciate all the work that the committee members are doing. Tim said that Jon and he were discussing what CRAC's function should be. He would like a meeting set aside to deal with this issue. Mary said it would be useful to have an operation procedure and expectations from other committees. Bob Reed said that it would be useful if the BOC could tell them what their expectations were and whether CRAC should get involved in the day to day activities. Mary said that she was not interested in micro-management but would like to get involved in the policy and procedures of the road department. Norm Myers mentioned a basement flooding at MP1 South Prairie Road; shoulder is bad at Clements Corner, potholes at South Prairie Road. Dora asked Norm if his previous complaint was taken care of, Norm said it was. Jack Brooks said there is a big hole on Sunset by the boat launch.

ITEM 10 NEXT MEETING LOCATION/DATE/TIME: The next meeting will be held on May 08, 2000 at the BOC Conference Room at 3:00pm. The June meeting will be held on June 15th at Kiawanda Center at 3:00pm with a possible site visit to PC Heights at 2:00pm.

Mary announced that Irene Ertell has resigned from the committee due to her husband's health.

ITEM 11 ADJOURN: Meeting adjourned at 5:05PM.