

TILLAMOOK COUNTY ROAD ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CRAC)

DATE: February 25, 2002

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Bob Reed, Vice-Chair Curt Schonbrod, Larry Kiser, Bill Howard, Marlin Clark, Ray Robinson, Gloria Gass and Jack Brooks.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Ray Streeter

STAFF: Aaron Suko/PW Director, Pat Oakes/Engineering Project Supervisor, Bob Willhite/Operations Superintendent, Commissioner Hurliman (portion of the meeting), and Jeanette Steinbach/Recorder

GUESTS: Janet Trueblood/AFSCME 2734 President

PUBLIC: Gus Meyer and Dora Norwood

1. Call meeting to order, review agenda. Meeting called to order at 3:05pm. No changes to the agenda.

2. Review minutes of 02-25-02. Jack motioned to accept minutes as written, Larry seconded, unanimously approved.

3. Road Department Status:

| **Discussion of stepped up Shoulder Maintenance Effort: (Handed out shoulder pulling road list)** Aaron explained that through lack of diligent maintenance the shoulders have an accumulation of sanding rock, manure, dust, vegetation which is causing deterioration of the road surface due to water accumulation. The shoulders would need to be peeled off to allow the water to drain off the road. Aaron would like to inform the Public of the plan to pull shoulders incase any questions or comments arise. Ray asked if dry wells could be placed. Aaron said dry wells are not set up to accept considerable water. The water table in this county is high. Commissioner Hurliman reiterated that the roads are the investment, so shoulders would have to be worked on so that roads could be preserved. Aaron asked the CRAC members if they are supportive of this program, and if so, then an education effort would be made before the shoulders are worked on. Jack Brooks made a motion to support the Road Department to reclaim the shoulders, Marlin seconded, unanimously agreed. Bob Reed suggested that an education process that would inform the public of the reason for this program, listing roads to be done is important, so that the impact is less.

| **Alder Street-Improvement and Paving:** Bob said that the project is on hold until the utilities are completed. An extension of this project is Birch Street which would cost the county \$3,000-\$4,000 with the property owners coming up with \$10,000-\$11,000.

| **Community Paving Projects:**

| **Beach Crest Drive:** This is a 450' gravel road with an estimated cost of

\$10,000 with county match of \$4400.

- | **Stephen Avenue:** Pat said two estimates were done, one was for asphalt at an estimated \$20,000 with a county match of \$8,000-\$9,000; chip seal at an estimated \$11,000 with a county match of \$5,000.
- | **Forest Road Program:** Aaron mentioned that he and Bob had a meeting with the Forestry. The Forestry representative did not think that the loggers would be interested in maintaining the road. Bob W. said a consideration would be to change the classification of the road to Local Access so that the maintenance commitment is changed. There is reluctance from the Forestry to put the road maintenance part into a bid package. Aaron is still planning on pursuing other avenues.

4. Drainage Issues:

- | **PC Heights:** Aaron suggested that the property owners would need to come up with a road drainage plan. He spoke to George Kirkham, the Association spokesperson, who said that there is no revenue available. Aaron spoke to Mr. Apple of DEQ who agreed that this is a good grant possibility, but would take too much time to write. This grant would also need to be initiated at the city or county level. A quote of \$9,600.00 was received to install a drain system around Mr. Murray's house. Mr. Murray thinks that the drainage issue is the county's responsibility. Aaron said that this amount is beyond the road department's budget and would let BOC know his findings.
- | **Laneda, between 3rd and 4th:** Aaron mentioned a drainage complaint that he received from a property owner. The owner's building is situated close to the road. Aaron said that his preliminary finding is that the road drainage needs to be diverted since the building sits below the road and naturally receives some of the drainage. He feels that because the Laneda Avenue improvement project is at a standstill that this problem needs to be addressed. He would like to approach the CRAC for a recommendation once the financial costs have been ascertained. Aaron mentioned that Commissioner Hurliman had asked him to contact the Post Office that is housed in the adjacent building to see if they could improve their drainage. Commissioner Hurliman stated that 50/50 cost sharing effort would work. Aaron to keep the committee informed.

5. Project Discussion

- | **Cascade Trace Bridge:** Scheduled for bid let end of March for work in the summer 02.
- | **Sandlake-Galloway Road:** Bid let scheduled for mid-March, contractor selection mid-April, mobilization should occur after the first construction meeting.
- | **Blaser Bridge:** An intergovernmental agreement is still due from ODOT, and when obtained would be sent for county counsel approval. Construction scheduled in 2003.

Aaron mentioned that ODOT is holding an open house March 7th at Tillamook PUD. This meeting would address Tillamook projects.

6. 2002/2003 Budget Presentation:

- | **Review Draft turned into the Treasurer: (Handed out to members present the Budget Packet that was submitted to the Budget Officer)** Aaron said that the Road Department's goal is to provide a safe road system with the objective being storm response which is provided by experienced staff. He would like to reduce the backlog of overlays, replace equipment, and purchase equipment particularly if the chip seal program is initiated and accomplish other maintenance tasks. The revenues that are in exhibit:A are basically federal forest revenues and motor vehicle fees. The contingency amount is increased to \$500,000. Larry Kiser asked if general fund monies would be available. Aaron said he plans to approach the budget committee. Aaron said he would also discuss the \$73,000 increase in the Administration Transfer fee with the budget committee. Aaron and Pat went through the expenditures line items with the committee. Aaron added that Laneda, PC Heights, Cape Meares Loop projects are not included in this budget. Aaron stated that the shoulder work program would include existing manpower and equipment so it would have no impact on the budget. Aaron mentioned that \$15,000 was included for pavement management system to allow the staff to make uniformed decisions and for funding possibilities.
- | **Review Chip Seal List: (Handed out 2002 Chip Seal Program list)** Aaron indicated that the cost would be \$20,000-\$25,000/mile for a three layer chip seal.
- | **Review A/C Overlay List: (Handed out 2002 Overlay Program list)** The reduction in STP funds cut down on paving allocation. The current cost is \$50,000-\$55,000/mile for a 2" overlay.

7. Speed Zone Review Submissions to ODOT: Pat Oakes stated that he would like to submit two speed reduction review requests to ODOT. These roads are both at 500 ADT - Chance Road off Long Prairie Road and the other at the south end of McCormick Loop. No comments from the committee members. Pat to take to BOC for their approval.

8. Public Comment: Bob Reed asked if traffic counts are still being done. Pat stated that traffic counts are being done as requested. Aaron said that the two engineering technicians do not have the time to spend doing ADT's. Their workload is concentrated on road approaches and utilities.

9. Next meeting, date and agenda: The next meeting is scheduled for March 25th at 3pm. Topics for next meeting to include budget timelines, priorities for the chip seal and asphalt overlay programs.

10. Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 5:06pm.