

## TILLAMOOK COUNTY ROAD ADVISORY COMMITTEE

DATE: July 12, 2004

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bob Reed, Curt Schonbrod, Jack Brooks, Marlin Clark, Ray Streeter, John Gettman, Ed Werner, Bekki Gardner and Alternate Gary Hercher

MEMBERS ABSENT: Bruce Hagerty

STAFF: Aaron Suko/PW Director, Pat Oakes/Engineering Project Supervisor and Jeanette Steinbach/Recorder

PUBLIC/GUESTS: Gus Meyer, Dora Norwood, Victor Oekerman and Greg Brown. Commissioner Hurliman was present for a portion of the meeting.

Item 1 Call meeting to order, review agenda: Meeting called to order by Chair Curt at 3:00pm. Commissioner Hurliman to discuss Forest Funding.

Item 2 review and approve minutes of 05-10-04: Jack Brooks moved to approve the minutes as written, Ray seconded, unanimously approved.

Unscheduled: Commissioner Hurliman handed out a letter from the Department of Justice addressed to the Forest Management Division. Chuck said that he has been dealing with this issue for a year. He felt that with this letter it indicated that monies could be available to maintain and improve certain county roads, which are used as haul roads by state timber purchasers. He clarified that the money collected would have to be spent on that particular road. Commissioners would set the fee. Curt asked for clarification that the existing county road department funds would augment the funds received from ODF; Commissioner Hurliman indicated that they would. Commissioner Hurliman said that Commissioners Josi and Hanneman supported this plan.

Item 9 Public Comment: A citizen commented that she would like to see the speed reduced from Juno Hill to coincide with the speed limit entering Bay City. She was directed to the Traffic Safety Meeting July 19 at the Transportation District at 12pm because this would fall under the Oregon Dept. of Transportation jurisdiction. ODOT is planning on reviewing speed zones at that meeting.

Greg Brown stressed his concern about missing reflectors on Wilson River Hwy 6. This has caused him to have some nervous moments due to his inability to see the road. He was directed to the Traffic Safety Meeting July 19th at the Transportation District at 12pm because this is an Oregon Dept. of Transportation issue.

Item 3 Local Access Roads: Aaron handed out copies of the Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS), the Board Order and cost analysis pertaining to Local Access Roads. This is an area where expenditures could be reduced if the Board of Commissioners chose to do so. Jack Brooks recalled that it was agreed in the past, that LAR's would be graded only once a year. Aaron explained that the policy does not specify the number of Gradings. He briefly went through the policy, ORS's, and some of the recent LAR's Community Paving Agreements. He would like to give the Committee the opportunity to review this policy.

Aaron noted that there are 11 paved miles and 31 gravel miles in the LAR's classification. Curt noted that \$650,000 has been spent in the last five years on LAR's, and that money could be better spent on the current deteriorating county roads.

John Gettman asked Aaron if there was any validity to the rumor that road districts are to be created. Aaron had not heard of any specific action to change the current arrangement where districts denote informal areas for crew maintenance.

#### Item 4 Road Department Repair Projects Report:

- | Pavement Overlay List: Aaron stated that the paving list report was handed out at a previous meeting. The paving is completed in the North district and would be completed in Central district today. Additional projects included some work on a portion of McCormick and 5th Street in Bay City. Laneda project is completed except for some minor work. Ray Streeter suggested that Old Woods Road get some paving. Aaron said that a portion of Old Woods is on the list, but some portions have issues with drainage and it would take significant rebuilding of the sub-base prior to paving. Bob Reed asked if any additional funds would be available for paving at this time. Aaron is waiting for the results from the Forest talks. The budget included some work on Trask River Road, but the budget committee and the Board of Commissioners chose not to fund that work, but instead are working with ODF. Aaron said the process of obtaining monies from the Forestry could take up to 3 years. In the meantime there is the 50/50 initiative and the governor writing letters to the State Board of Forestry suggesting a change in their direction, which could have some impact.
- | Trask River Road needs: Aaron handed out the expenditure summary sheet from fiscal years 1998-2003. The Commissioners had asked Aaron to summarize the cost of bringing Trask River Road to a reasonably safe standard. There is no expectation of significant widening. An estimate of \$1,212,500 was given based on the conditions of the road at present. The repairs would occur between MP 1.7 and MP 12.6 and would involve 1700 l.f. ditch and shoulder work, a major digout and repair in 17 locations i.e. taking out a segment, digging out mucky soft soils, putting the road base and then pavement. Culverts would be needed in 7 locations. 10 miles will receive pavement overlay, which would allow widening the surface in some areas. ODF is estimating 100,000,000 board feet of timber will be logged from Trask River Road. The North Forest Roads combined will be as much combined as Trask River Road. The Kilchis is estimated at 5,000,000. Aaron will keep the committee informed on the status of the forest funds. Marlin asked what the typical safety width standards would be for Trask River Road. Pat and Aaron thought that it was 22' for AASHTO standards with 2-5' of shoulder for that type of road. Aaron noted that Blaine II project included widening and shoulder work estimated at \$900,000/mile.
- | McCormick Loop Road: Aaron confirmed that with the exception of a small amount of patching needed on the northerly and southerly end, the job is completed.
- | Cochran Road: Aaron handed out the expenditure summary, ORS and a map of where the road is located. This is a gravel road, which is less than 2.5

miles that is used primarily by loggers. Washington County is not interested in taking over the road, but would be willing to charge \$1200-1800/mile/year for routine blading of the road. Other uses of the road include the Railroad, Campers and Hunters. Aaron added that if the county withdraws the road status of Cochran Road, then others have the opportunity of stepping in and taking it over. The Forestry could also include Cochran road as a provision of a logging sale. The status of Cochran road would then be a LAR. The road could be vacated and then it would be the property owner who has underlying rights. Becky said that since the road is inaccessible, she would make a motion to ask the Road Dept that per the ORS, "The County governing body may initiate proceedings by having the county road official prepare a report stating reasons for the proposed withdrawal..." John Gettman seconded, unanimously approved. Aaron said that this is the first step. The public hearing process would notify all adjacent landowners.

| Aaron reported that Striping started today.

#### Item 5 Status of Ongoing Projects:

- | Laneda Road - City of Manzanita: Pat Oakes indicated that Laneda project has been completed. The transfer process has been initiated.
- | Sandlake-Galloway Road: Contractor started summer work. Extension of project completion is expected. They are working ½ day Friday's which was approved by BOC to minimize the delay of the project. Tillamook County's share of the project was the cost to obtain the Right-of Way and the rest is funded by Federal Highway. Aaron indicated that the cut slopes depending on the solution may cause a modification of the right-of-way, and if that were the case, funding would be from the County.
- | OTIA III Bridge Replacements: \$8 Million was awarded for replacement of 6 County Bridges; the agreement has been signed, monies are to be deposited soon. The request for proposal process enabled the hiring of two consultants for design and construction engineering work. They are CH2M Hill and OBEC.
- | Gist Road Culvert Replacement Project: Mobilization started today. This is a partnership with Estuary Partnership, whereby the county is doing reimbursable contract management. A Tillamook business, Alpine Construction was awarded the bid. This project is a culvert replacement.
- | Anderson Road: Work involves a culvert failure at about MP .8 on Anderson Road, which is off of North Fork Road. OTAK Engineering is assisting with a fish passage replacement design and the joint - application for DSL and Corp of Engineers.
- | Washington Street Culvert Replacement: Pair of culverts damaged at MP 0.3. An arch culvert will replace the 2 culverts, but the issue is trying to find a detour route. Ed Werner mentioned that on the Wilson River Hwy project a year ago for the Arch Culvert they put concrete in the bottom so that a flat surface could be obtained.
- | Long Prairie Road Project: This is an OTIA 2 award for a deceleration lane on Long Prairie and Hwy 101. This project was put on O.D.O.T. list due to state requirements, but has been delayed continuously. O.D.O.T. referred the project to the County for completion. Intergovernmental agreement has been initiated. The project is funded for \$900,000. OTAK would be responsible for the design and permitting work this summer for

construction in the summer of 2005. The plan is for a single lane 500' from Hwy 101 to the East.

- | Blaser Bridge: Final request for reimbursement sent, project completed.
- | Blaine 2: This project is slated for bids to occur in 2004, and it could start construction in 2005.
- | Shore Drive: Community Paving Agreement in Pacific City. This could be contracted out because the property owners would like their driveways done at the same time.
- | Sandlake Slide: Right-of-Way condemnation. Department of Justice worked out a settlement offer. BOC has agreed to proceed and accept.

Curt asked about the encroachment issue and if there are any outstanding issues. Pat stated that the BOC instructed the owners to move the encroachment back on Maxwell Mountain Road. The other issue was given an encroachment license. Aaron said that this is determined on a case-by-case situation, there is no clear pattern. The one on Arthur's Court the ruling was that all the rocks had to be removed, the one on Maxwell had to move 1' back and the one on Grand Avenue who had his landscaping half way in the road was given an Encroachment License.

Bob asked about the oil coat program. Aaron said the program should be initiated soon. Bob Reed verified that the office received a recent request. Bob Reed asked about other surface treatments that could be used to improve the road surfaces. Pat said that the road should be structurally sound before any surface treatment would take. Aaron said that Bob recently went to a demo of an Asphalt Milling Machine that grinds the asphalt in place, which could be used as a road base. The plan is to have this demonstration in the county and he will keep the committee informed so that could they attend. Bob Reed said that all options should be looked at, so that the public is aware that all options are being sought.

Items 8 Discussion regarding Future meetings, next meetings dates and outline agenda: Aaron suggested a meeting in September because of the fair in August. The next meeting is scheduled for September 13, 2004. Please contact Curt or Aaron if have items you would like to see discussed at the next meeting. Dora Norwood asked if off-road motorbikes could be discussed at the next meeting. They enter and exit county roads. Bob Reed asked if code violations could be addressed. Aaron to check with Dave DeSau's schedule if he could attend the next meeting.

Item 10 Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 4:40pm.