

TILLAMOOK COUNTY ROAD ADVISORY COMMITTEE

DATE: November 19, 2007

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Curt Schonbrod, Gary Hanenkrat, John Gettman, Gus Meyer, Stephen Macartney, Bob Garrigues

MEMBERS ABSENT: Darcy Jones, Jerry Dove, Gary Hercher

STAFF: Liane Welch, Director and Gaile Harris, Recorder

GUESTS: None

PUBLIC: Dora Norwood

Item 1. Meeting called to order at 3:00 PM.

Agenda item 6a added: Long Prairie Rd/Hwy 101 Bid Results by Liane Welch

Item 2. Minutes for October 25, 2007 meeting approved as amended. Spelling correction of only one "Council" should be "Counsel". Page 2, last sentence of the first paragraph, the word "how" inserted after "versus".

Item 3. *Status on Permanent Tax Rate by Liane Welch*

The Commissioners are expected to approve the Ballot Measure on Wednesday, November 21st, 2007. John Gettman stated that there will not be a ballot number given until then.

Item 4. *Plan Business Meeting 12/13/07, 6:00 pm by Liane Welch*

Liane is working with Tim Josi in putting together the information on the status of the roads for a PowerPoint presentation for this business meeting at the library on December 13, 2007. Liane shared some transportation reports regarding some of what the City of Portland is doing for more road funding. She will use this for additional ideas. When Liane has her presentation done, she will e-mail it to the members that have e-mail for them to review prior to the meeting.

Item 5. SB 994 List Update by Liane Welch

This bill is where ODOT had \$56 million to be allocated to all 36 Counties. Tillamook is to receive approximately \$883,000.00. The Association of Oregon Counties would like a list of the projects by mid December for the legislature. We will not receive the money until October 2008. Liane has requested those projects from the three District Foremen. She will then figure the cost estimates of labor, equipment and materials. The members decided they would like to see what the crew Foremen come up with first since they are out on the roads daily. Members will probably agree with their list. Stephen Macartney asked if there is a shortfall for bridge work. Liane stated there are currently 12 bridges that have scour issues. Some of this bridge work could be added to the project list. Gus Meyer asked why the State doesn't release funds until

October since the fiscal year starts on July 1st. Liane added that the Safety Net money is Federal funds and not released until January. Liane doesn't know why the State waits until October to release their funds. She also stated that she wants to bring in an Operator to blast and crush rock since we are running out of rock at the Nehalem and South District quarries. This will not be a State project though. This will cost approximately \$180,000.00. These are County quarries and the rock is hauled by our crew to the Central District.

Item 6. Ordinance Changes by Liane Welch

At last month's meeting, members went over some of the policies of the Transportation Refinement Plan which was made by Bill Campbell, Director of Community Development. Members were to review for discussion of the ordinances from the Technical Memorandum 8.1 and then provide feedback to Community Development. Stephen Macartney was not sure the extent to which some of the things in the memo impact the roads. He commented that not everything is referring to roads. Liane agreed. She asked the members if they wanted to make comments on all the items or just items related to roads. Stephen said we should start on road items. Curt Schonbrod stated that there is so much in the memorandum, he was a bit overwhelmed. Liane said she would take the effort to facilitate this discussion.

Starting on page 2 of the Angelo Group Technical Memorandum 8.1. Stephen asked regarding items "g" and "j", if they were to go into effect, does this impact how we would prioritize the road department's work? Liane stated that this still fits into the priorities that the Road Advisory members have already set. She feels that this item could be a liability to the Road Department in the future. She also stated that as the County grows, you need those safety features. Liane went on to say that the traffic impact analysis under "k" is important for the Road Department. She asked if the members would or would not support that. Stephen stated that this is addressed further on in the Ordinances and goes into more detail. Gus Meyer supports the traffic impact studies.

Curt stated that on pg 3, 2.4, the Access Management Policies reaffirms what the Road Department already does in our Road Approach Ordinance. Gus commented about the bicycle and pedestrian pathways. He said that it's only land use and is not an Ordinance yet. This could be an impact on the Road Department as the document mentions that they will seek funding in items "d" and "f". Liane will look into clarification as to who is to maintain them, the County or the Road Department. Stephen does not support any of the "mandate" language except for the language on items "k" and "l". He doesn't have a problem with the language of "should be developed". Stephen asked who would be the enforcement in item "g" and does this add cost to the Road Department?

Curt stated that the consensus recommendation back to Community Development be that we don't want to see the County bind itself into the things that cost and tie itself down with such as ceaseless regulations that would complicate things. He feels that the members have apprehensions that more burdens may be placed on the whole system. Gus stated that we owe Community Development a serious review and that these are only goals. Liane asked how they would like her to report on this. Curt stated that we would like to recommend to them to see that the things that wouldn't cost

the County money be adopted. Not to put undo burdens and regulations on everyone. Stephen made the motion that the County Road Advisory Committee accept the Transportation Bill #12 policy revisions in concept, however that we request they be rewritten so as to not enforce any unfunded mandates on the Road Department and they strongly support paragraphs "k & "l". The motion was seconded and passed. John Gettman said when the members get back to this plan, there are the "exemptions" that will need to be looked at.

Commissioner Tim Josi joined the meeting to give a brief update on the "Fix Our Roads" campaign. He stated that it is taking a lot of time. The letters have been sent. John Gettman is not getting the response that he needs in the way of contributions. There will be an article in the paper. More letters will be sent out from the voter registration list. Tim asked for more contributions if possible. He asked for help from all the Road Advisory members to stuff envelopes. He also would like the entire members signature on the letter, including the other two Commissioners.

6a. Long Prairie Road Bid Results by Liane Welch

Bid results were opened on November 7, 2007. There were twelve bidders with CivilWorks NW, Inc, from Vancouver, Washington, as being the apparent low bidder. Their estimate was \$942,310.00. The Engineer's estimate for the project was \$986,000.00.

Liane went on to add the status of Johnson Bridge. She is working with OBEC and this will go out for bids, structure only, on January 30, 2008.

Liane then went on to update the members that she has now taken over the Operations position left vacant by Bob Willhite and the Engineering position left by Pat Oakes. She is delegating a lot of work to other office staff. Gus asked about the Engineering job posting. Liane stated that there were no applications from the first posting. The job posted again with one application. We decided not interview the applicant. The position will re-post after January 1st.

Item 7. Public Comments: Dora Norwood requested that the potholes at Kansas Creek and Trask River Road be filled.

Item 8. There will be no December meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for **MONDAY, JANUARY 14, 2008**, 3:00pm in the Commissioners Conference Room, 201 Laurel Ave., Tillamook, OR 97141

Item 9. Meeting adjourned at 4:50 pm.