

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

Date: March 23, 1998

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jack Brooks, Ray Streeter, Mary Cramer, Norm Myers, Diane Waldron, Leslie Burchard, Rich Gitschlag, Bob Reed

MEMBERS ABSENT: Robert Rieke, Ray Hanson, Bill Howard, Curt Schonbrod

STAFF: Jon Oshel - Public Works Director, Bob Willhite - Operations, Jeanette Steinbach - Recording Secretary

GUEST: Janet Trueblood - Union PUBLIC: Dora Underwood

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 3:02 PM

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Norm Myers motioned to approve amended minutes of 03-16-98, seconded by Diane Waldron, unanimously approved. Point 2 to read ...Jon said in the past when the County did the work the equipment did not allow the crew to produce as good a quality as ODOT's and Point 7 to readJon stated that lists developed by PMS, citizen complaints and foremen recommendations are generally in agreement.

PUBLIC EDUCATION: Mary asked Jon if any monies were allocated to Public Education. Jon stated that he would talk to the Budget Committee after the CRAC decides on the course to take, need to identify the best approach. Suggested ideas - identify what are County roads, do public service announcements, web page, booth at the fair, have a flyer stating the mission of the Road Dept, their priorities, who and what with Maps indicating the Districts. Ray Streeter wanted to know if the BOC would have any input? Jon stated that the BOC were expecting to get a sense from the CRAC based on what they gathered from the Public. Agreement that \$1000 added to the Budget would suffice. Dora (Public) asked if there was any merit to Jeff Dixon's suggestion (letter to the editor) that the Road Department should contract out. Jon said if he had the revenue it would be viable to concentrate on maintenance and contract out the overlay. Rich Gitschlag added that it is not cost effective for the Contractors to do what the Road Department is doing right now. Diane Waldron said that if we Contract out all that the Road Department crew does then we could be held hostage should the contractor choose to hike his price. Jon stated that he generally does not respond to letters to the editor because it comes across as Abashing the citizen@. Mary Cramer suggested getting volunteers to write letters to the editor.

BUDGET: Discussion and clarification from Jon of different budget lines. Jon stated that the concept will remain the same but he will adjust and round, before submission to the Budget Committee. In the budget packet, Jon added, he planned on submitting a budget summary, mission statement, funding priorities, proposed budget, shopping list, priority equipment purchases, paving priority list, capital projects schedule, revenue forecast, proposed budget expenditures, cuts made to balance, additional cuts and bike path funds documents. Jon mentioned that historically the Road Department carried a \$1M contingency but since 1991 the revenue is dropping and eating away at

the contingency. **Norm Myers motioned to accept 1998-1999 Budget, seconded by Rich Gitschlag, unanimously approved.**

SHOPPING LIST: Discussion followed as to what should be a priority. Mowing and guardrails issues were discussed. The following is a request list if additional revenue is available:

\$100,000 3 x 1 ton dump trucks + 2 mile paving

\$200,000 1 Excavator + 1 ton dump truck

\$300,000 1 Excavator + 3 dump trucks + 1 mile paving

\$400,000 1 Excavator + 3 dump trucks + 2.5 miles paving

\$500,000 1 Excavator + 3 dump trucks + 4 miles paving

\$600,000 1 Excavator + 3 dump trucks + 5.5 miles paving

\$700,000 1 Excavator + 3 dump trucks + 7 miles paving

\$800,000 1 Excavator + 3 dump trucks + 8.5 miles paving

\$900,000 1 Excavator + 3 dump trucks + 10 miles paving

\$1,000,000 1 Excavator + 3 dump trucks + 11.5 miles paving

Paving priorities were discussed and it was decided that the criteria would be the condition and use of road. CRAC agreed on the order of the roads to pave in Central, South and North Districts selected from the Pavement Priority List.

Jack Brooks recommended Jon approaching the BOC with CRAC's recommendations on additional revenue shopping list. Jon said that the BOC has a tough decision to make. They will have to consider having a contingency, other department requests and remodeling the jail. He added that he did not want to turn Road Department against General Fund employees or vice versa. Need to state why our issues are important without downgrading against other departments needs. Bob Reed suggested getting total man-hours that CRAC members have put in to arrive at this decision. Jon stated that it was a good idea.

Norm Myers motioned to approve shopping list and paving priority list, seconded by Mary Cramer, unanimously approved.

CITIZEN'S CONCERNS: Dora Norwood was checking on status of request whether reflectors can be put on Hwy 131 intersection with Burton Fraser Road - Jon to check with ODOT. Norm Myers mentioned that at MP3 there is a bump on South Prairie Road that needs to be looked at - Bob Willhite to handle.

Diane Waldron wanted to know if it was possible for this Committee to send a vote of confidence for Jon and his crew to BOC. Mary Cramer said that with the commitment of the CRAC members it indicates approval. Jon thanked Diane

for the suggestion.

Budget presentation to be made on April 9, 1998 at 1:30PM Extension Office. Budget packets that are to be presented to the Budget Committee will also be mailed to CRAC members.

Next meeting scheduled for April 20, 1998 @ 3PM to discuss public education and a tax source.