

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

Date: August 31, 1998

MEMBERS PRESENT: Norm Myers, Rich Gitschlag, Mary Cramer, Bob Reed, Bob Rieke, Curt Schonbrod, Ray Streeter, Jack Brooks

STAFF: Jon Oshel-Public Works Direction, Pat Oakes-Engineering, Jeanette Steinbach-Recorder

PUBLIC: Dora Norwood

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 3:05PM

Meeting minutes of 07-27-98 were approved as written.

CITIZEN CONCERN'S: Bob Reed asked if the reassessment of McKinster Road brought to this forum by Richard Chelone was done. Jon stated that only match money projects were being considered at this time until the financial picture improves. He added that Pacific Avenue Bike Path and Kenway Roads are such projects. Jon shared the outcome of the Wilson River Loop Flood Detour Project meeting held last week which enabled the property owners to highlight their concerns and issues. On Sue Cameron's recommendation the ODOT Hydraulic Engineer report will be sent to FEMA, FWL and the US Army Corp of Engineers for their review and consensus. Dora Norwood suggested that a suggestion be made to ODOT to put a bike path by Hwy 131/Burton Fraser Road. Norm Myers thanked the Road Department crew for clearing the dip on South Prairie Road.

PC BIKE PATHWAYS COMMITTEE: Pat Oakes stated that he is the liaison for the Committee. An application has been made for a Grant and will be taken to the BOC for approval. The Road Department will match funding with PC Bike Pathways Committee of the cost, which is also a requirement of the Motor Vehicle Fund 1% Allocation. Bob Reed made the motion to accept the funding based on August 28, 1998 memo to the BOC, Norm Myers seconded, and Unanimously approved. Jon added that even if the grant is successful the option to turn it down is still available.

CHANGE IN SPEED ZONE WHISKEY CREEK ROAD: Received from ODOT change in speed to 40MPH on the Road Dept.'s request. CRAC was asked to approved change, approval was given. Headlight Herald will be notified of change and speed signs will be flagged for duration.

NO OVERNIGHT PARKING/CAPE MEARES: Issue was brought forward by a complaint asking for an Overnight Parking Sign. The committee decided to not change the current informal policy unless it becomes a traffic safety or a health issue. The complainant can take this issue to the BOC should he decide to pursue it.

FAIR BOOTH OUTCOME: Jon went through results of the questionnaire, quiz and complaints received at the Fair and how they were formatted. Bob Reed suggested that nametags would be beneficial for identification purposes. Mary Cramer commended the work done at the Booth and also suggested that

"less would be better", concentrating on eye catching signs, placing the photographs on a portfolio for view by the Public and having the video play in the background with the sound turned off.

CONSIDERATION OF TIMING FOR TAX DECISIONS: Jon reported that Gina Firman after listening to the State Legislature does not think that monies were forthcoming in the near future. Jon added that Gina would like to visit the Cities to talk to them about the funding situation, to find out if they are interested in funding and give them a heads up so they can be involved in the process. Allotments depending on the tax is Vehicle Registration (No Tourists) 40% City, Gas Tax (Tourists) no allotment necessary to the City, Property Tax (2nd home's, industrial truck drivers) is 50% to the City. If the City doesn't need any additional revenue the only option is to go for is a Property Tax in the county and not include the cities. Members agreed upon Jon's question whether to go for a tax or not, that education and public relations should be approached first before a tax is initiated. Jon said that he would be glad to do any formal or informal speaking to make the public more aware and for a tax to succeed. Members to format a list of meetings.

Mary Cramer asked if she could get an estimation of the expectation of the revenue derived from the Tourists and 2nd Home's. Jon would look into the data available. Ray Streeter wondered if it was possible that 1% of the general fund property tax Fund could be allocated to the Road Department fund. Jon said that no counties as far as he recalled received any General Fund monies, and he would bring a comparison at the next meeting. Mary wanted to know what interim plan is in play to deal with the financial shortfall i.e. personnel issues, and inquired about the status of the Strategic Planning Committees. Jon said he has been crimping corners, working on additional funding through shared agency work and if it continues in the same vein the fund can have a better contingency fund. He added that he would rather not talk about laying off people until no alternative is available.

NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 28, 1998

MEETING ADJORNED AT 5:02PM