

COUNTY ROAD ADVISORY COMMITTEE (C.R.A.C.)

Date: November 30, 1998

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bill Howard, Bob Rieke, Curt Schonbrod, Bob Reed, Ray Streeter, Norm Myers

STAFF: Jon Oshel - Public Works Director, Pat Oakes - Engineering, Jeanette Steinbach - Recorder (not present)

PUBLIC: Dora Norwood

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 3:00PM. Quorum not established.

Jon stated that Gina Firman had intended attending but due to another meeting running late would not be able to attend. Gina and Jon are pursuing meeting with AFSCME Legislative Liaison representative who is interested in working with the County Management to investigate how to proceed with public awareness and staff. Meeting is being scheduled for December 18, 1998 with Gina Firman, Janet Trueblood (Union Representative) and a CRAC member to discuss Road Department finances and services. Need to look at services to provide to match the criteria of the majority of the citizens needs who are senior citizens. If adequate long term funding were available due to deteriorating of residential roads would be a goal after the maintenance of the primary roads were accomplished.

PAVEMENT CONDITION INDEX: It is a visual measurement of the conditions of the road. Tillamook County's PCI is at 60 while other County's average in the State is at 75. Jon went through the details of the graphs handed out. New program just received so further analysis will be done to achieve useful results especially during preparation of the budget. This is a very cost effective and consistent tool that will be used at great benefit to us especially as an indicative of the deterioration of the roads.

STORM STATUS: No major hits but the crew reduction is being felt. Clearing trees, sign damage was not a problem but if we had a major closure a decision would have to be made which would take priority and that is a definite gamble.

EDUCATION: Draft copies of possible newsreleases handed out for purposes of educating the public. Hope to run columns with questions and answers format would be better received. CRAC members, the Road Education Committee and Gina Firman would need to look at the articles or the Q&A format before being submitted to the newspaper so that it is grabs the attention with simplicity of the public. A consistent format would be useful so that the public expects it every week and so reads the interesting articles. Jon suggested that once we have a firm idea of what we can propose we should then approach Linda Schaefer of the Headlight Herald with members of the CRAC.

Jon went over the legislature's discussion on funding which if passes will not available to the County till next year.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00