

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

DATE: August 30, 1999

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mary Cramer, Curt Schonbrod, Marlin Clark, Bob Rieke, Bill Howard, Norm Myers, Bob Reed, Rich Gitschlag

STAFF: Jon Oshel/Director, Jeanette Steinbach/Recorder

PUBLIC: Dora Norwood

GUESTS: Janet Trueblood/Union

ITEM 1 REVIEW AGENDA: Meeting called to order at 3:00pm. No changes to the Agenda.

ITEM 2 MINUTES: July 26, 1999 minutes approved as written.

ITEM 3 COMMISSIONERS DECISION ON REVENUE - TIM JOSI: Tim said that the Commissioners a week ago decided after much deliberation to move ahead with the tax levy. Discussions and meetings were had with the Cities and it was decided to include all the cities. The revenues obtained within the cities would go to the City. The commissioners decided to go for \$1,170,273 aggregate at .85/\$1000 in property taxes excluding the state timber revenues derived from the districts and the new motor vehicle fund revenues which would amount to a total amount of \$1,702,098 additional revenue. Dora asked if the County would be adding an additional \$10.00 to the motor vehicle registration. Tim said that although the County has the authority to increase the motor vehicle registration fee without a vote, the commissioners chose to deal with it at another time. Tim Josi said the state gas tax survival is subject to an AAA initiative.

COMPAIGN COMMITTEE: Tim stated that the first meeting of the campaign "Save Our Road Investment" which has been officially formed will be today after 5:00pm. The commissioners, Jon Oshel, Paul Levesque, Janet Trueblood and Mary Cramer will be on the executive board. On Ray Streeter's question as to what will happen to the county roads in the city, Jon said the present budget would be used to maintain those roads if the property tax passes. Bob Reed said that the breakdown attached to the Agenda shows how the money will be divided. Mary added that this committee has played a key role in the development of the property tax for the shortfall of the road department's budget. She added that although the core is small volunteer and supporters would be appreciated to join the committee; Mary passed along a sign up sheet. Tim added that they would like to have the members' names as supporters on the letter being sent out. Jon Oshel said that it was a discussion with a clear intent that the majority of the money obtained would go to paving roads, which would include shoulder widening. Mary read the order as signed by the Commissioners " all taxes collected within the three county road districts would be used for pavement and repairs under a priority system based on pavement and subsurface conditions, traffic volume and accident history". Tim added that a list of roads based on the criteria's mentioned in the order need to be formulated.

ITEM 4 PROCESS FOR DEVELOPING ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM - JON OSHEL: Marion County manages The Metropolitan Transportation Committee program with their criteria. This program is capable of generating a report on what is needed based on PCI, ADT and truck traffic and then prioritizes the information by functional classification, selects type of work based on life and money spent. This group needs to decide how much weight is needed on different functional classification roads. This group previously decided to focus on arterial and collectors roads and whether this will be all exclusive or not. Decisions need to be made on whether to go for a thin overlay, chip seal, widening on AASHTO standards or not. Need a measurable criterion to base the decisions and policies to implement a program. ADT (Average Daily Traffic) program has to be implemented to get an accurate picture.

ITEM 5 ROAD CONDITIONS UPDATE - JON OSHEL: Paving on the Sandlake Slide will be done in September, Wilson River Loop Flood Detour preconstruction meeting was on August 23, the project would start next month, Shorty Farmer Bridge on Blaine Road should be open for traffic in October, the Sandlake-Galloway Road project legalization process will start soon. Thin patching is done for this year.

UNSCHEDULED FAIR BOOTH FEEDBACK: Members commented on their experiences at the Booth. The charts and maps were excellent. Janet Trueblood remarked that at the Democratic Booth a straw poll as to whether a property tax in support of the roads would gain support showed about half in favor. Janet added that the information this year was more accessible and user friendly. Members felt that the public seems to understand the dire situation better this year. Rich said that he was told that they would be an organized opposition to the tax.

Public Hearing had some good expressions of support for the road property tax. Mary mentioned that Pat and Bob did a good job presenting the facts. Concerns were raised for people on fixed incomes.

Bob Reed mentioned that he had spoken to Doug Moncrief recently of Tillamook ODOT and that he and Bob Willhite, County Operations Manager are meeting on a monthly basis to discuss further partnering efforts.

Marlin asked for a cheat sheet to relay information to the public when asked.

ITEM 6 PUBLIC INPUT: Dora mentioned pot holes on Hughey Lane and by Wagner Bridge. Norm Myers said that the shoulder is dropping off on a portion of Clements Corner Road.

ITEM 7 ADJOURN: Next meeting to be held on September 20, 1999 at 3:00pm. Meeting adjourned at 4:05pm.