

TILLAMOOK COUNTY ROAD ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Date: 02-06-12

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Curt Schonbrod, Paul Carbaugh, Gus Meyer, Robert (Bob) Garrigues, Jerry Dove, Darcy Jones, John Gettman and Gary Hercher

STAFF: Liane Welch and Jeanette Steinbach

GUESTS/PUBLIC: Dora Norwood

Item 1. Meeting called to order at 3:00pm by Chair Schonbrod.

Item 2. Minutes Approval: John motioned to accept the minutes as written, Paul seconded, unanimously approved.

Item 3. Road report – Liane Welch:

- Lommen Bridge: MP 10.7 on Foss Road, \$1 Million local match is required for this project. At the last leadership meeting, TCPW received full support to obtain general fund monies. The concern is the closure of the bridge during storm. OTAK will include this in the Scope of Work (SOW), and the bridge will be closed if it reaches flood stage and only opened based on OTAK's recommendation.
- Farmer Creek: USFS to design the bridge. Funding has been obtained. Construction has been planned for summer 2012.
- 3rd Street (Pine to Marolf): Trees and vegetation for the project to be removed by March 01 due to the migratory act. Bids open March 22. Construction to start either April or May. Liane encourages local contractors to bid.
- Wyss: Property donated to relocate the bridge.
- Slab Creek rehabilitation: \$6.3 million grant obtained. Construction in 2016. This will be a total rebuild and culvert replacement of the road.
- Slab Creek MP 4.1: Jeanette reported that Parametrix was hired as the engineering consultant. The plan is to replace the two-twin size failed culverts summer 2012.
- Bridge Maintenance Plan: Bridge repair should be a priority. \$35,000 is dedicated to bridge repair for FY 2012-2013 that is not sufficient.
- Culvert Asset Management Plan: Crew working on inventory. This will help know the condition of our culverts in the county road system.
- Staffing: Employees down from 31 to 19 in 5 years. Liane plans on working on reorganizing. A flagger is needed. TCPW hired a temporary flagger from January 17 through June 30, 2012.
- January 2012 storm. Reported \$275,000 damage. A meeting with FEMA is planned later this week.
- Rock Crushing: Plan to go for bid at least 20,000 yards. All the rock crushed in 2009 has been utilized.

- Planning: Liane asked for CRAC's recommendation and guidance on TCPW focus.
- Paving: Liane said that paving will only be done on high speed, high volume roads. Darcy suggested contracting the paving. Liane to check with staff.

Item 4. Suggestions/Comments to be given to Commissioner Labhart: Curt presented CRAC's suggestions to Commissioner Labhart.

1. Fund a permanent tax base for a district. We understand that once an amount has been established, it cannot be increased.
2. 5-year levy or less.
3. Discussion with other entities to increase dividends to the county when logging either State Forest or Federal Forest timber.
4. New TRT and limited to Counties, cities, or other governmental jurisdiction with a census population of 80,000 (legislative change).
5. The monies transferred to General Fund from the Road Dept. for payment of services rendered should be waived (until economy is healed, allows other general funded departments to share the economy downturn).
6. Allocate monies to the Road Department from discretionary funds.
7. Lower or modify the Library bond, and then go out for a Road bond.
8. Local income tax with or without a sunset.
9. Set up a foundation like United Way, using a thermometer type indicator.

Commissioners Labhart said he appreciated CRAC's input and would share the information with the Citizens Committee who is also exploring possible funding options.

Suggestions were to ask BOCC to have ODF return lands to the County. Look for small pots of money. Look at another agreement with ODF for a road that leads to state forestry for repair dollars. Curt would be writing a letter to the Headlight Herald in support of the Road department. Dora likes idea #9 above; she would be willing to put in \$100.

Item 7. Public Comments : No comment

Item 8. Adjourn: Meeting Adjourned at 4:32 AM. Next meeting April 2, 2012