

TILLAMOOK COUNTY ROAD ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Date: July 1, 2013

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

STAFF: Liane Welch, Jeanette Steinbach and Commissioner Bill Baertlein

GUESTS/PUBLIC: Dora Norwood

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

Item 2. Minutes Approval: Jerry asked for clarification on the Library bond. It was stated by the Treasurer at the last meeting that a cost savings would be realized if the Library and Road bonds were combined. Liane explained “gravel shooter”. It is an equipment that places gravel on the shoulder. Clatsop County stated that it has increased productivity. Paul motioned to accept minutes as clarified, Gus seconded, unanimously approved.

Item 3 GO Bond – Liane Welch:

Liane confirmed that the job announcement seeking (3) Road Maintenance Equipment Operators (RMEO) produced 15 applications. Interviews to be scheduled. Curt questioned if the RMEO’s would be long-term employees or only through the end of the bond. Liane said that through attrition they will probably be retained. Curt surveyed 5 trucking firms at the approximate cost of \$50,000 to \$60,000 for a truck per year. Liane said the cost for employees also depends if they are single or with family, based on Medical Insurance rates..

The crew will start on the paving the list that CRAC approved beginning July 15, 2013. Summer 2014 plan will be based on Capitol Assets recommendations bearing in mind the criteria of economic development, emergency route, farm to market and geological equity, a project list will be completed and brought to the CRAC for approval. A communications plan will also be developed giving quarterly reports to the media. Liane said that a corer would be a good investment to determine condition of the road base. Some of the projects being considered are: Latimer Road, Long Prairie Road from the Blimp to where the pavement on Johnson Bridge ended; Olsen Road, Brooten Road and Miami Foley Road MP 8 to MP 12. Paul Carbaugh also suggested McPhillips Road to Woods. Chip Seal is also a consideration since it is about fifth of the cost giving an 8-10 year life. The roads considered have to be in fair condition for a successful chip seal. Liane asked for suggestions. Jerry Dove suggested also adding one of the roads in Nehalem. Bob suggested Chip seal on Bayocean and Gary and Gus suggested Netarts Bay Drive.

A sign that states this project is being funded by GO Bond will be present as crew are paving. The cost accounting system will capture the bond costs. The members wanted to know if the bond interest rate was locked-in. Liane to follow up with the Treasurer.

Item 4 Road Update – Liane Welch.

- Burton Fraser Road: Liane mentioned that there was a fatality on the road. A guardrail (GR) was damaged on the east side. The questions that needed to be considered are: what is the cost to replace the GR, or fix subsections? Should the GR be replaced when damaged? Do we take all the GR out, leave it, or replace it all? The family doesn’t not believe the accident was caused by the road. Gus suggested speaking to legal counsel.
- Kilchis River Road MP 3.9: This is a FEMA/IFA funded project. The project will start mid-July to rehabilitate the shoulder with a retaining wall. There will be a one-lane closure.
- Farmer Creek Bridge: This project started 07/01/2013. The project is funded by 6 different partners.
- Cape Meares Loop: A scope of work is being prepared by ODOT to look at road alternatives. Cost is \$250,000.
- Foland Creek/Bixby Road: Payco funds were awarded but because of the federal sequester the funds might not be available. Jeanette to check.

- Lommen Bridge: ODOT approved the scope of work alternative design and Liane to schedule a BOC presentation. Gus mentioned that the bed of the river is too wide for the conveyance of the fish.
- Wyss Bridge: Abutment is going on the Stillwell drainage levee and also need to mitigate for fill. George found a fill site. It has to be “fill material” in a functional floodplain. Gus suggested Old Mill Marina.
- Cedar Creek, Holgate and Whalen Island bridges replacements scheduled for 2015 and 2016.
- Wilson River Loop Road: ODOT is basing the road and will pave prior to the Fair.
- Schild Road: Our crew did the grinding on the road, and ODOT to pave.
- 3rd Street: ODOT believes that there is enough documentation to get the monies from Century Link. Liane to schedule a meeting with Bill Sargent. Liane also needs to deal with the Bowling Alley parking situation. The City does not want the patrons to Parallel Park only because of the danger of backing out on the road. Liane proposed to remove the existing sidewalk and put in a 2x30’ commercial driveway. Owner does not agree with the proposal. Contract to be completed after 1 year vegetation establishment.
- George Urry: Retirement get together is set for 07/11/2013 at 3pm.
- Vegetation Management: Liane to write an article on vegetation management in response to a letter from a citizen addressed to the County and TPUD. Gus complimented the crew on the willow cuttings on Chance Road.
- Funding: US Senate passed the timber to counties funding of \$520,000 which is attached to the Helium bill.
- TLT: Public hearing held June 26th, 2013. Discussion centered on the percentage for the cities if the TLT passes. Department of Community Development or the Assessor’s office to manage this funding if passed in November. 70% of the funds to go to tourism and facilities and 30% of the funds as agreed by the BOCC will go to the County Road Department. The cities would like the county to fix county roads in the city. Liane said that it would be an accounting challenge, or the cities could put up 50% of the cost. Gus suggested that the TLT could be used to fix pot holes only; Bill Baertlein said it is important to fix what is needed.

Item 5 Meeting: Next meeting scheduled for ~~September 9~~ October 9, 2013.

Item 5. Public Comments: None

Item 6. Adjourn: Meeting Adjourned at 4:22 PM.

Minutes transcribed by Jeanette