

**6 YEAR TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
CITIZEN ADVISORY PROGRAM**

Minutes of the Meeting on January 12, 2005

Committee Members:

Norm Eveleth, Chair	Gale McGrath
Dan Michener	Jack Nicklaus
Ken Wilson	Cliff Hall
Joe Spaulding	Drew Noble

Guests: Ed Binder, Resident

Staff:

Jayni Kamin	County Commissioner, Chair
Charlie Butros	Public Works Director
Bill Tabor	Engineer/Dep. Director
Bill Bullock	Transportation Engineer
Kathy Van Denover	Minutes

Norm opened the meeting.

Agenda Item – Kick-off - Commissioner Kamin set off the 2005 TIP-CAP meeting with a kick-off of welcoming all the new and returning committee members. On behalf of the County Commissioners she thanked everyone for their volunteering on this committee. She spoke of the plans for the upcoming years that the new Commission has and looks forward to working with the TIP-CAP to help move these plans occur.

A few comments were given from the members to Commissioner Kamin regarding Growth Management Plans and the trails committee agendas.

Norm spoke of the passing of Herb Brehmeyer. He will be missed by the members. A letter or card should go out to his family on behalf of Mason County Public Works and the TIP-CAP committee.

Introductions were made and a sign-in sheet passed around.

Drew wanted to compliment the road crew that installed a culvert in the Emerald lake are. He said that this crew worked quickly and took great pains to see that the job was thoroughly completed. The names will be brought up at the next meeting. The names of the crew members are: Greg Brown; Kim Griggs; Tony Dickinson; Ron Inger and Road Supervisor Alan Eaton.

Bill T asked Commissioner Kamin if she had any additions or deletions to the agenda. She did not. He spoke about the 2005 Construction plan referencing a document given to the committee members.

Drew inquired about the duration of the St. Andrews Dr. project and was given about a 2 month timeline.

Agenda Item – Schedule for TIP-Cap 2005 - Norm referred to the TIP-CAP meeting schedule. A discussion ensued about when to have the open house for 2005. Jayni said that the Commissioners would be instrumental in passing the word on to the public through their public weekly meeting. All

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members agree that “marketing” is the key to having a successful Open House. There is a thought about having it at 2 locations simultaneously. Those possibly being the Theler Center in Belfair and somewhere in Shelton. There will be more discussion in the February meeting but May 11th was agreed upon at the PUD#3 auditorium. Charlie encourages public input and one or two meetings to make this event well attended.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the current TIP-CAP meeting schedule as presented. All were in favor.

Agenda Item – Goals and Objectives - Bill T refers to the handout given to members on Goals/Mission Statement. He feels we need to define the goals for this year. There were some goals that weren’t completed last year and those issues need to be re-addressed.

Cliff made reference to Goal #3 – Expand efforts to explore grant and funding opportunities by considering a dedicated grant writer, and what happened to it.

Bill B –discussed the grant writer situation and what had or had not developed. He covered topics like Federal Enhancement grants and said that as a rural county we are in fierce competition for dollars. He said we really do need to reach out and get funds from non-traditional places.

Jack asked about whether there was any relationship between the Bureau of Indian Affairs and Roads and do any projects qualify for BIA funds. Ed Binder (the audience) spoke up to address this question.

Cliff commented that this was the first year that a great relationship had formed from the BIA, having funds that now work together.

Drew suggested the committee at least talk to a grant writer to get some ideas. Perhaps just a consultation is all the committee needs to find funds on their own.

Dan inquired as to what exactly does TIP-AP do for the County Commissioner. Commissioner Kamin gave a brief synopsis how the TIP-CAP Committee and the Commissioners work together.

Agenda Item – new Issues – Mr. Ed Binder wrote a letter to the committee explaining his concerns about walking along the right-of-way on McReavy Rd. in Union. A discussion ensued with Bill Bullock drawing a rough diagram of the area. Mr. Binder asks if the right of way could be broadened or widened to provide a walkway for pedestrians.

Drew mentioned that perhaps trails could be put in and several committee members had input on how or how not this could be done.

Bill discussed the platting of Union and a little history of what was done in the past to alleviate the problems and concerns of citizens earlier on.

Norm was looking for a proposal to work out a plan. It was suggested going to the next “Trails” meeting.

Agenda Item – Other Business – Bill B spoke of RAP Funding and 3R projects. He suggests that we amend the 6 yr plan to include Wivell Hill. He feels we need to re-adopt it, have a public hearing and also add on Cloquallum Road.

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Drew made a suggestion that this group does not get into discussion about the Belfair Bypass. He explained that in the past it took up too much time away from other issues that the committee needed to deal with.

Jayni said she would like to address this issue anyway and spoke on behalf of the whole Commission. They address the issues as two issues. 1. SR 3 Improvements and 2. Alternative Route. They want to look at these 2 projects as a combined project and want them on the 6 yr plan. The Board is in favor of them and wants them to be seen as equally important. They are in support of them and will work forward to complete them. She asked for the support of TIP-CAP.

Norm asked that the minutes reflect some of the issues that were brought up this meeting and will still need to be addressed:

- ⇒ Drew's concerns of not using this meeting to discuss the Belfair bypass.
- ⇒ Jack's concerns that we do discuss it but not let it take away from the other issues with the citizens that we gather to meet on.
- ⇒ Ken's concerns about satisfying the one family that benefits from the discussion of Belfair Bypass.
- ⇒ Cliff's concerns about the RTP and concepts of the Alternative Route and SR# Improvements (North Mason Corridor Improvement)\
- ⇒ Jayni's needs to convey the Commissioner's wants and concerns to TIP-CAP.

Norm suggests that this TIP-CAP committee will deal with any road concerns the Commissioners want us to. Any projects, ideas, strategies, or things they want to see in the plan.

Bill B re-iterated what TIP-Cap is here for and that is to serve at the pleasure of the board as an advisory committee.

There was a discussion on whether to have a meeting in February being that we are having the open house on May 11, 2005.

A motion was made and seconded to hold a meeting on February 9, 2005, at 7pm. All were in favor.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:35 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by
Kathy Cari Van Denover

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NEXT TIP-CAP MEETING

7:00 PM – February 9, 2005

**Public Works
415 6th Street, Shelton**