

TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

CITIZEN ADVISORY PANEL

MEETING MINUTES OF March 11, 2009

Panel Members In Attendance: Drew Noble; Ken Van Buskirk; Gale McGrath; Glen Hudson; John Komen; Daniel Michener; Mel Williamson.

Mason County Representatives: Bob Thuring, County Engineer; Hans Cregg, Transportation; Kathy Cari, Minutes.

Guest Speaker: John Keates, Mason County Parks

Drew Noble opened the meeting at 6:08pm.

Agenda item – Introductions/Sign in Sheets: Sign in sheet was passed around and introductions were made of the TIP CAP panel, Public Works Staff.

Agenda Item – Agenda Discussions. Mel Williamson would like to add a discussion of Lynch Road/US 101 to the Other Business part of the agenda. Drew would like to add a discussion of Mason Lake Road & Hwy 3 to the Other Business as well.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of February 11, 2009. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Agenda Item – Trails Presentation– John Keates, Mason County Parks gave the Panel a slide presentation on the Mason County Regional Trails Plan-Comprehensive Plan which was adopted in December 2006. There was some conversation about some old research on older trails no longer in existence. There was a brief question and answer period that John addressed.

Agenda Item – Stimulus Package Update- Bob Thuring updated the Panel on how the stimulus Package turned out for Mason County Public Works. He explained that Mason County had a “wish list” that came to approximately 40 million dollars. We will receive about \$500,000 to use for some needed solar lighting on certain intersections (\$150,00) and some paving (\$350,000).

Agenda Item – Other Business – Mel Williamson shared an article that was printed in the Mason County Journal that gave an update of the business of Lynch Rd/Hwy 101 intersection. He commented that things were moving forward.

Drew inquired about if WSDOT and Mason County was going to do anything about the intersection at Hwy 3 and Mason Lake Road when WSDOT shuts down the bridge on May 1st. He has concerns about the impact that the extra traffic will have at that intersection and the accident potential.

Agenda Item: Next meeting: Wednesday, May 13, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. at the new Public Works Facility.

Due to no other business, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 7:55 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by
Kathy Cari