

TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

CITIZEN ADVISORY PANEL

MEETING MINUTES OF March 10, 2010

Panel Members In Attendance: Drew Noble; Glen Hudson; Ken Van Buskirk; Gale McGrath; Mel Williamson; George Rickle, Daniel Michener.
Members Absent: Daisye Orr.

Mason County Representatives: Bob Thuring, County Engineer; Hans Cregg, Transportation; Martin Best, Dept. of Emergency Management; Kathy Cari, Minutes.

Guests: John Keates, Mason County Parks & Trails; Ken Wilson, Pending TIPCAP Member.

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

Agenda Item – Agenda Discussions. Discussion to eliminate the time frames on the TIPCAP agendas. They will not be there in the future agendas. Did not need a motion, as it was a technical detail.

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the January 2010 minutes. All were in favor.

Agenda Item – Trails Presentation: John Keates gave a Power Point presentation on Mason County Parks and Recreation Comprehensive Plan adopted in 2006. There were some questions and answers that John responded to, from the panel. He spoke of the 2 \$500,000 grants that he is applying for. It was asked of the panel if it would be appropriate for TIPCAP to show its support of the trails projects by their recommendation to the County Commissioners by adding money to our 6-year TIP. Bob Thuring deemed it "not appropriate" for us to do that. It would okay to endorse it though.

A motion was made - "Recommend to the Board of County Commissioners to put the North Bay Trails project as the number 1 priority for Trail funding."
There was discussion regarding how the funding would work.

Agenda Item – Elfendahl Pass Road - Ken Van Buskirk gave a 41-slide Power Point presentation on the condition and disrepair of this road. He asks that the TIPCAP keep this road in mind when building the 6-year TIP.

Marty Best spoke of the Emergency Response to that road.

George asked if FEMA money could repair this road? Marty said it could and will fund 87% of it and make it environmentally sound as well.

Bob Thuring said TIPCAP should make a stand-alone statement if they feel they agree with Elfendahl Pass Road being de-commissioned or abandoned.

TIPCAP decided to table any decision or opinion or motion they may have until Mason County Public Works hears from FEMA regarding their decision on the funding of this road.

Agenda Item: - ADT - Hans Cregg gave a presentation talk and slide show on the specifics of traffic counts. This was a request from the last TIPCAP meeting in January and the panel felt it was very informative

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Agenda Item: - 2010 Construction Projects; Two Provisos: Belfair Bypass & Johns Prairie Roads; Status of C.R.A.B. and Lynch Rd appropriation application.

Bob Thuring provided an FYI (For Your Information) synopsis on the above-mentioned subjects.

The 2010 Construction projects. He spoke of those projects that were definitely going to bid, and some still needing some funding or permits.

Provisos - Belfair Bypass & Johns Prairie Roads - Bob gave status report on these projects.

Status of CRAB - Bob said it looks as though it will remain independent of WSDOT due to the effort of various County officials.

Lynch Road Appropriation Application: Bob reported that the funding has not been committed to at this time. There has been some interest from some politicians in Washington D.C.

Agenda Item:- Lynch Road/US 101 - Mel Williamson gave an update on this project to the Panel.

Agenda Item: - Mission & Goals Statement - TIPCAP Resolution - In reviewing the previous the current Missions and Goals and Resolution 93-99, the TIPCAP Panel came up with a current revision that reflects better the purpose of the TIPCAP Panel. They will ask Charlie to bring this to a briefing with the County Commissioners and ask that this revision amend the older version.

A motion was made and seconded to amend the current Resolution 93-99 with new verbiage and have it presented to the Mason County Commissioners for their approval. All were in favor.

Agenda Item: – Other Business - George Rickle asked Bob Thuring to look into the placement of a National Forest sign southbound by the new bridge at Purdy that impedes vision for higher vehicles. Bob will check with Kenny Howard at the sign shop and Kenny will notify WA State Dept of Transportation.

Agenda Item: Next meeting: Wednesday, May 12, 2010 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 8:25 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by

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