



RROMAC MEETING MINUTES

June 21, 2007

Members:

Hal Ballard
Robert Ewers
Keith Fishback
Eldon Jossi
Wendy Mortensen
Ken Moyle
Gary Virgin
Lars Wahlstrom
Commissioner Duyck

Staff:

Dave Schamp
Rich Girard
Keith Lewis
Victoria Saager
Janelle Lockbeam
Dan Brown
Tom Tushner

Guest:

Ron Kroop - ODOT

Welcome

Gary Virgin called the meeting to order at 7:33 a.m. May minutes were approved by the committee.

Gravel Road Upgrade Policy

There was discussion lead by Wendy Mortensen of the merits of local residents to supplement funds to allow their road to be placed higher on the upgrade list due to higher cost benefit ratio. Some members question whether or not citizens should be allowed to use their money to place roads higher on the upgrade matrix. Some members feel it is worth examining ways to enable residents to provide funds which would allow more roads to be improved.

Gary has asked all members to write a proposal for a policy for whether or not citizens can 'buy-in'. This will be on the agenda next month.

Farmington Road Update

Dan Brown gave an update. This MSTIP 3c project is an interim solution to congestion due to new schools and residential growth on Farmington Road between 170th and 198th. Two left turn lanes from Kinnaman Road on to East bound Farmington Road and one West bound right-in and right-out lane between 170th and Kinnaman Road. Cost for the project is 24 million dollars. Anticipate three lanes between 198th and 185th, and five lanes between 170th and 185th.

The goal is to have this project go out to bid December 2007 and hopefully break ground in the spring.

ODOT Update

Ron Kroop (ODOT) shared a Power Point presentation about various striping products and techniques used by ODOT.

MISCELLANEOUS

The Washington County Coordinating Committee (WCCC) is made up of several elected officials throughout Washington County. A presentation from RROMAC to this committee could help direct funds to the chip sealing of rural roads. Their next meeting is on July 9, 2007.

Commissioner Duyck suggests a presentation to move WCCC to include rural roads. Inform them of the prioritization of the gravel road upgrades and establish the need for funding, presenting in a positive tone.

Victoria has volunteered to help prepare the presentation. She will meet with Gary Virgin and Ken Moyle tomorrow at WSC to gather ideas and look at the presentation that Elaine put together in the past. They will email Hal Ballard for more input. An email will be sent out to RROMAC members with their ideas.

After eight years the new State Park is opening! It is the first State Park to open in 35 years. Andy informed the committee that they are invited to a barbeque at the park on July 7th.

Richard Girard submitted his resignation on Monday. He has accepted a position with Ada County Highway District in Boise, Idaho and will be starting in July.

Work program goes to the Board and the budget is expected to be adopted on Tuesday.

County crews are finishing base rock on LID and upgrade roads.

Hal Ballard got a call from a reporter asking him questions about the lack of bike lanes and curbs along county roads. He told her that one of the reasons he is on the Board is to present a view of urbanization of rural roads. Went to a League of American Cyclist event (LAC) in Austin, Texas and it is a very bike friendly city.

NEXT MONTH

- Review written policy for matrix placement - committee members
- WCCC presentation update
- Low Volume Roads Conference – Greg Clemmons