

RROMAC MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 18, 2004

ATTENDANCE:

<u>Members:</u>	James Burns Robert Ewers John Jackson Eldon Jossi Don Logan Adam Mayer Wendy Mortensen Joe Rutledge Dave Vanasche Gary Virgin	<u>Staff:</u>	Dave Schamp Greg Clemmons Victoria Saager Stacia Sheelar Rich Girard David Ohnstad
<u>Absent:</u>	Mark Bauer Keith Fishback	<u>Guests</u>	

WELCOME

Eldon Jossi called the meeting to order at 7:35 a.m. Wendy Mortensen moved to approve the February minutes and John Jackson seconded the motion.

DUST ABATEMENT PROGRAM

After the last RROMAC meeting it sounds as though the \$60,000 would be best spent on the safety corridor program rather than a matching program. Some of the roads being considered are Moreland, Strassel, and Lee. We will concentrate on areas with steep slopes and sharp corners. RROMAC can assist by developing a list of areas for dust abatement.

GRAVEL ROAD UPGRADE DISCUSSION

There are four people from the road crew and one inspector working to identify areas on the RROMAC list that need to be considered for gravel road upgrades. Some of the roads being considered are Solberger, Sewell, South, Parsons, Dorland, and Cedar Canyon. There will be a meeting with staff and the five people above to finalize this decision.

Greg Clemmons mentioned that if we take our normal maintenance out of the \$170,000 of new money, we can actually do more roads. We would normally have to do vegetation and drainage work anyway. We are looking at doing a three-shot chip seal on each of these roads. We are also considering both 20 foot and 22 foot road widths depending on right-of-way available. Usually a road less than 400 average daily trips is okay at 20 feet.

Greg also mentioned that we must add a minimum of two inches of rock no matter how deep the base rock is. This 2” rock will be used to level out the surface.

Dave Vanasche mentioned that he was really glad to hear things are going in such a positive direction.

GRAVEL ROAD MAINTENANCE

Don Logan, Joe Rutledge and staff met and reviewed a gravel road rating handout (handed out a today’s meeting). We need to establish test areas and try different techniques. Mark the areas to somehow identify, for internal use, that it is a test area. Compacted and non-compacted areas, how long between grading, water roads before grading, etc.

Rich Girard shared a video of Hayward and Cedar Canyon showing the differences in the surface after compaction and non-compaction. It was discussed that it appears that compaction doesn’t make much difference if the grading conditions are good; but when the conditions are bad, it makes a big difference.

PUBLIC AWARENESS

Victoria handed out a rough draft of the media release to be sent to the Argus, Community Newspapers, CPO Newsletters and the Farm Bureau. This was received well.

EQUIPMENT UPDATE

David Ohnstad said that the pneumatic roller attachment has been ordered for the graders. They have foam-filled tires and the tires are offset. These cost about \$13,000 installed.

MISCELLANEOUS

Dave Vanasche asked staff to check on Cornelius-Schefflin and Zion Church roads for alligating.

Gary Virgin passed along his thanks for the speed signs that were recently added to Clark Hill Road.

John Jackson asked when the centerline reflectors would be replaced on Blooming Fern Hill Road. David Ohnstad assured him that was in the works.

Eldon Jossi adjourned the meeting.

NEXT MONTH’S AGENDA

Review letters to Senator Dukes – Wendy Mortensen
Culverts/Ditch Maintenance Notification process – Dave Schamp
Public Awareness – Victoria Saager
Gravel Road Rating System – Rich Girard