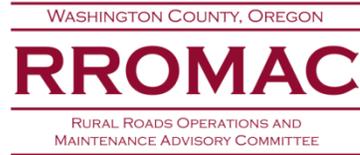


RURAL ROADS OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Approved Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 10, 2019



Members Present:

Allen Amabisca	Daniel Morgan (chair)	Lars Wahlstrom
Denny Hruby	Matt Pihl	
Michael Jamieson	Gary Virgin	

Absent:

Michael Lyda (alternate)	Ken Moyle	Doug Riedweg
David McCoy (alternate)	Gayle Ostgard	

County Staff and Board Members Present:

Melissa De Lyser	Keith Lewis	WCBC Commissioner Jerry
Steve Franks	Sherri McFall	Willey
WCBC Chair Kathryn	Stacy Shetler	Joe Younkins
Harrington	Todd Watkins	

Guests:

Tammy Cleys	Marc Farrar	Jessica Pelz
Matt Duffy	Deann Fettig	Kimi Sloop
Kelly Emmons	Jennifer Flanagan	

1. Welcome, Introductions and Approval of September 2019 Minutes

Chair Dan Morgan called the meeting to order at 7:31 a.m. Regarding the draft September RROMAC meeting minutes, Member Jamieson requested a correction regarding his mention of legislation placing material in stream channels; he clarified that farmers will place dirt along the berm, not in the channel itself. Member Pihl moved to approve the September minutes with that one change and Member Wahlstrom seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

All present introduced themselves.

2. Guest Comments

Kelly Emmons and Deann Fettig are Washington County residents who live on Conzelman Road. They shared concerns about a local winery expansion affecting the speed and safety of Conzelman Road. Kelly also brought a letter from another concerned resident.

Jennifer Flanagan is a Washington County resident who lives on McNay Road. She is concerned

about a neighbor who is applying for a dog training permit, which will possibly increase traffic on her road. She would like the county to assess the infrastructure (road) and determine whether that private business should be allowed or whether the road should be changed to accommodate it.

Marc Farrar complimented Washington County for their excellent work paving Mountain Home Road.

3. Willamette Water Supply (WWS) Program (item moved ahead in consideration of time)

An update was given regarding the Willamette Water Supply Program, including its related road impacts. Presenters were Kimmy Sloop, WWS; Matt Duffy, Tualatin Valley Water Supply; and Jessica Pelz, Washington County Long Range Planning.

4. Roundabouts

Joe Younkens shared information about the roundabouts in Washington County.

Member Wahlstrom asked if there are improvements planned for the intersection at River Road and Farmington Road. Joe replied that we are indeed looking at solutions for that intersection.

Member Amabisca asked if there is a map of proposed roundabouts in the county. Melissa replied that a map can be found at the Washington County LUT website online at: <https://www.co.washington.or.us/LUT/Sustainability/roundabouts.cfm>. The Department of Land Use & Transportation's Fiscal Year 2017-18 annual report also lists all roundabouts in the county at the time of publishing.

Member Jamieson asked about the intersection at Germantown Road and Cornelius Pass Road. Joe replied that we plan to install a signal there but Cornelius Pass will soon become a state asset and no longer under the purview of Washington County.

5. Division Updates

Division Updates were tabled until next meeting.

6. Open Forum – RROMAC Members

Chair Morgan expressed interest in making the most of Chair Harrington's presence at today's meeting. He discussed RROMAC's purpose; and also discussed the Bridge and Gravel Road subcommittees and their purpose. Each subcommittee is working on guidelines for how to develop the process of prioritizing assets. He gave a reminder that RROMAC guides road maintenance and is not a planning committee. He invited Chair Harrington to share the Board of Commissioners' intention and purpose for RROMAC.

Chair Harrington stated that there are three new Commissioners this year. The Commissioners are working together on identifying county priorities. She expressed her delight that values in Oregon and in Washington County have remained consistent. Oregonians appreciate rural lands in the county and state and she is heartened by that. She shared that we are no different

from every other community and region, in that funding and expectations are always a challenge. She acknowledged that the county's population is growing rapidly and that we need to address equity for rural roads. Various GPS programs are directing people through these roads and we need to make sure they remain safe. She shared that some of the Board's concerns are the movement of farm equipment; the safety of rural roads, gravel or paved; and cleanliness of the roads. She affirmed that it's important to keep traffic moving and also to make sure rural residents continue to have quality of life, without causing division between urban and rural residents.

Member Virgin shared that Tile Flat Road is the only north-south corridor in the winter. He wants us to impress on those that represent Washington County that we are a significant economic engine for the state and deserve to get what we need.

Member Wahlstrom shared that the quality of the staff for this committee is commendable.

Member Jamieson commended staff on the quality of the minutes.

Guest Deann Fettig invited Chair Harrington to visit their road.

7. Confirm Meeting Follow-Up/Action Items: What and Who?

RROMAC agreed to hold the next meeting on November 14. Potential November or future meeting topics mentioned included:

- Roundabout future projects
- Planning and safety for rural/urban roadways
- Development and its impact on roadways/the County's land use process
- Bylaws update

8. Meeting Adjourned

Member Virgin moved to adjourn the meeting. Member Jamieson seconded. Members voted to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 9:36 a.m.
