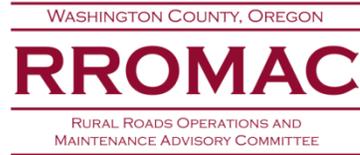


RURAL ROADS OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Approved Minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 11, 2020



MINUTES

Members Present:

Marc Farrar
Denny Hruby

Mike Jamieson
Dave McCoy

Matt Pihl
Doug Riedweig

Absent:

Loren Behrman
Jeff Hindley

Dan Morgan
Ken Moyle

County Staff and Board Members Present:

Melissa De Lyser
Steve Franks
Brian Irish

Keith Lewis
Sherri McFall
Mike Niemeyer

Chuck Schumer
Todd Watkins

Guests:

No guests present

1. Welcome and Introduction to RROMAC's First Virtual Meeting

Chair Mike Jamieson called the meeting to order at 7:32 a.m. Mike welcomed members and staff to RROMAC's first virtual meeting, conducted through Zoom.

2. Introductions and Approval of March 12, 2020 Minutes

Member Jamieson corrected a reference to the Scotch Bridge closure on page 2 of the draft March minutes, which should read Scotch Church.

Member McCoy moved to approve the March 2020 minutes as corrected. Member Pihl seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Guest Comments

There are no guests present.

4. Overview of FY 2020-21 Road Maintenance Program

Brian Irish presented an overview of the “FY 2020-21 Road Maintenance Program” (frequently referred to as the “work program”), showing the “flip book” on the computer screen. It will be presented to the Board of Commissioners next week. This is the second year with the online flipbook style.

Brian shared the work program highlights and answered questions.

Member Farrar asked Brian to meet with him and walk through the work program.

Member Jamieson asked if this is the appropriate time to ask specific questions about items in the document, specifically the timing of canary grass spraying. Brian indicated that he is happy to meet with any RROMAC members to review specific questions about the work program. The project details are laid out in the contract and the project manager is responsible for making sure the details are managed according to contract.

Member Jamieson asked if Todd Watkins had additional items to add to this topic.

Todd discussed the activities of the Operations and Maintenance division in the last few months, during the pandemic. He shared the variance in road crew schedules and that they are driving to work sites in individual vehicles. He gave kudos to Sherri McFall and the Admin. team for providing active support in the County’s Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and for being creative in making sure our services are continued for the public. The Operations lobby is reformatted now to maintain safety guidelines for customers and staff. He shared that Clean Water Services (CWS) made sanitizing wipes available for us to use on our vehicles daily.

Member Farrar asked if the pandemic is going to prevent any of our planned work from happening. Todd responded that we expect to keep up with the work.

Member Jamieson asked if we are paying a stipend for staff to use their personal vehicles. Todd replied that staff is using the county vehicles in work zones. Use of personal vehicles is discouraged unless driving to a conference or training.

5. Open Forum – RROMAC Members

Member Jamieson asked Steve Franks to call on members by name for comments or questions.

Member McCoy asked about the effect of the pandemic on our budget. Todd responded that the County was just wrapping up its budget process in February when the pandemic occurred. Vehicle registration revenues will likely rebound now that the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) has re-opened. Gas tax revenues are expected to be reduced, though specific numbers are not yet clear.

Member Jamieson asked Member Pihl if he and Member Behrman had made any progress on their interest in roundabouts. Member Pihl indicated they had not moved forward. Todd offered support if necessary. Member Jamieson indicated that he didn’t expect that RROMAC needed to stay actively involved in roundabouts; he just wants to make sure it stays in focus. Member Pihl

voiced support for keeping roundabouts in focus and referenced roundabouts built which seem immune to suggestions made in prior RROMAC discussions.

Member Jamieson asked about a driveway on Pongratz Road. There is not room to park in front of the barricade without blocking the driveway. Todd responded that the project is still planned.

Member Riedweg commented that the Scholl's Ferry traffic light is fantastic. He plans to visit the traffic light at Germantown and Cornelius Pass.

6. Meeting wrap-up

- **Identify new action items**

New action items identified:

Member Riedweg asked when the Farmington/River Rd roundabout will be constructed. Brian shared that it's estimated to be completed at the end of 2022.

- **Follow-up with past action items**

Gravel roads subcommittee: Brian reported that Member Morgan agreed previously that the gravel roads subcommittee does not need to meet. Brian will provide periodic reports to RROMAC about gravel roads.

Bridge subcommittee: Chair Jamieson requested that Aaron contact him to discuss the bridge subcommittee, whether it should meet again/the value of It meeting again; if it does meet again, what are its tasks and desired outcomes.

Steve will check in with Member Behrman regarding roundabouts.

Chair Jamieson would like a summary of issues received from the public. Todd shared that we can summarize the service requests and share that at future meetings.

- **Discuss future agendas**

Future meeting topics mentioned included:

- *Speed setting and enforcement – Stacy Shetler (July)*
- *Service Requests – Todd Watkins (July)*
- *Possible Bridge Subcommittee Report*
- *Budget development process – Todd Watkins (October)*

- **Schedule next meeting**

Members agreed that RROMAC will next meet in July.

7. Adjournment

Chair Jamieson asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Member Riedweg moved and Member McCoy seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:21 a.m.

Next meeting: July 9, 2020 at 7:30 a.m.
