



RROMAC MEETING MINUTES

March 15, 2007

Members:

Hal Ballard
Robert Ewers
Don Logan
Ken Moyle
Gary Virgin
Lars Wahlstrom

Staff:

Dave Schamp
Greg Clemmons
Keith Lewis
Victoria Saager
Stacia Sheelar
Rich Girard

Absent

James Burns
Keith Fishback
Eldon Jossi
Wendy Mortensen
Dave Vanasche

Guest

Denny Hruby

Welcome

Gary Virgin called the meeting to order at 7:35 a.m. There were four changes to the February minutes. Hal Ballard should be listed on the attendees. Porter Road estimated costs should be \$750,000. Also under the 336th LID the actual vote was 3-4 against. Wendy Mortensen emailed a correction as well. Gerald Kubiak was asked if the Convention and Visitor's Bureau would pave any unpaved sections of their new route, specifically Eggers Road. He said they would consider it if RROMAC made the request. Wendy informed him that RROMAC was making that request. Don Logan motioned to approve the February minutes as amended and Ken Moyle seconded the motion.

Culvert Replacement Program

Rich Girard handed out information on the Culvert Replacement Program (see attached). Most of the culverts are replaced with aluminized 10 gauge steel because they are most cost effective or concrete box culverts. Both have a 75-year minimum life.

Hal Ballard asked staff to bring the rating criteria for culverts to the next meeting. This information is also available on the Web site. Gary Virgin urged the county to use culverts and not bridges wherever possible.

Dave Schamp assured RROMAC that the County does not have a choice on some of these projects because of the environmental laws and permitting requirements that exist. If there have EVER been fish in the water, you have to protect them.

Greg Clemmons assured RROMAC that we use larger culverts in lieu of bridges whenever possible.

Bridge Report

Dave Schamp discussed the 187 bridges in Washington County and stressed that 47 percent of our bridges are beyond their design life. To keep up we need to replace 8 to 10 bridges per year. Unfortunately, just like many other things, funding is limited.

Gravel Road Upgrades

Dober Road has been added to the list of gravel road upgrades for this year. There are four LIDs in process as well: Jacktown/Daniel, Pumpkin Ridge Drive, 336th (coop project) and Salzwedal (coop project).

Miscellaneous

Gary Virgin complimented Dave Schamp on his presentation to CPO 8. Dave's presentation included information on the funding for gravel road upgrades. There was interest in an LID for Bishop Road.

Dixie Mountain Road looks better than Don Logan can ever remember. Great job by the crews.

The group discussed a letter to the editor of the Hillsboro Argus. Staff and Hal Ballard will write a response to the letter (see attached).

Hal Ballard reminded the group that he is an instructor for the League of American Bicyclists and would like to present training to the group at an upcoming meeting. A short overview of the class may still take up to two hours.

Hal Ballard motioned to adjourn and Lars Wahlstrom seconded the motion.

Next Month's Agenda:

Work Program for 07-08 – Rich Girard
Culvert Rating Criteria – Rich Girard
Final Bridge Report – Dave Schamp
Budget Update – Dave Schamp
Gravel Road Upgrades