



Clackamas County Community Road Fund Advisory Committee

Meeting #5

6-9 p.m., Thursday, October 24, 2019
Development Services Building Room
150 Beaver Creek Road, Oregon City

MINUTES

Attendance

Committee members: Warren Holzem, Roseann Johnson, Stephen Joncus, Vice Chair Glenn Koehrsen, Nathan McCarty, Chair Bill Merchant, James Prichard, April Quinn-McGinnis, Marge Stewart

Absent: Rich Fiala, Patricia Tawney,

Board/Staff: Dave Queener, Mike Bezner, Ellen Rogalin

Visitor: Justin Harmon

I. **Welcome** -- Bill called the meeting to order. The minutes of the previous meeting were adopted with no changes.

II. **Prioritized List of Congestion Relief Projects** (Dave Queener)

Dave read emails from Richard Fiala and Patricia Tawney, who were not able to attend the meeting, and handed out the updated prioritized list of congestion relief projects, based on analysis using the committee's evaluation criteria. He specifically noted:

- Amisigger moved up in response to committee comments from last week
- Welches moved up because of geographic equity
- Eagle Creek dropped down on the list

III. **Estimated Timelines** (Mike Bezner)

Mike reviewed an estimated timeline and funding table for construction of all the proposed projects to be funded through the Community Road Fund – congestion relief, paving and local road maintenance – for the next eight years. The table takes into account the time it will take to get some projects ready to construct (with design and right-of-way purchases), the desire to group projects as much as possible to increase efficiency, geographic equity throughout the county and the limited amount of money that will be available each year. The costs include a 3% inflationary increase beginning in 2021-22.

In response to questions and comments, Mike noted the following.

- The committee will continue to meet at least twice a year to monitor the progress on the projects, help with any needed adjustments and plan future projects.
- The state can give us input on projects, but does not have the authority to dictate what projects the county funds or when the funds are spent.
- County staff will check with ODOT on the intersections recently studied by the state.

- We don't plan to widen all of Stanley to Bell, but do have to fix ADA ramps and provide a new overlay.
- The Johnson Creek Boulevard congestion relief and paving projects were combined into one project, with some money from other state road funding.
- The roads to be paved aren't always the ones in worst condition. Our goal is to take care of roads so they don't have to be rebuilt.
- There aren't many CRF projects in the Clackamas Town Center area, but will be other improvement projects in the area in the next couple of years through urban renewal funding.
- While there is a need for improvements at Harmony/Linwood, any changes here would be very difficult and very expensive, especially with the railroad tracks there.

Bill made a motion for the committee to accept the top eight congestion relief projects as proposed by staff and recommend that the county move forward on those eight projects. The motion was seconded by April and approved unanimously.

- IV. Next Steps** – Staff will send out a Doodle poll to committee members to look at the best day of the week and time for future meetings. The group agreed not to meet again until 2020. Staff will work on talking points for committee members to use, and will also prepare a map of all road projects (not just those funded through the CRF).
- V. Public Comment** – Justin Harmon asked where the data came from originally for the projects. [Response: the Transportation System Plan, adopted in 2013]
- VI. Adjourn** – Bill adjourned the meeting at 7:20 p.m.