KCATT MEETING MINUTES
for
August 25, 2015
Idaho Transportation Department District One Headquarters
600 W. Prairie Avenue, Hayden, Idaho 83815

Call to Order:

Chair John Pankratz called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone at 8:00 a.m.

Welcome / Introductions

John Pankratz (Chair)	East Side Highway District
Sean Hoisington	City of Hayden
Don Davis, Alternate	Idaho Transportation Department
Marvin Fenn	Idaho Transportation Department
Eric Shanley	Lakes Highway District
Robert Palus	City of Post Falls
David Callahan	Kootenai County
Kelly Brownsberger	Post Falls Highway District
Gordon Dobler	City of Coeur d'Alene
Kevin Howard	Worley Highway District

Staff

Glenn Miles	Executive Director
Bonnie Gow	Senior Transportation Planner
Kelly Lund	Executive Secretary

Alternates and Guests

Donna Montgomery	KMPO Volunteer
Dan Coonce	LHTAC
Diane Fountain	Lakes Highway District
Monty Montgomery	Lakes Highway District
Ralph Paul	DEQ
Heather Carroll	HDR
Rusty Leahy	DEA
Rod Twete	Lakes Highway District
Marshall Law	Avista

3. Approval of July Meeting Minutes

Mr. Robert Palus made a motion to approve the July 28, 2015 KCATT meeting minutes as submitted. Mr. Kevin Howard seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

4. Public Comments

Dan Coonce announced LHTAC would be holding a workshop on October 27, 2015; the application process and rating criteria will be covered. The jurisdictions were invited to attend.

5. Utility & Project Updates

Marshall Law, Avista, reported crews began relocation work on the Government Way – Hanley to Prairie Avenue project; work is expected to be on ongoing for the next several months. Crews will

begin relocating electric distribution line and installing new gas line on the Spencer Street project in Post Falls this week.

Don Davis, ITD, reported there would be an open house on the findings of the Highway 95 corridor study and the Kootenai Health expansion and traffic mitigation. Although no date or place has been set, the open house will take place in the next three weeks; an announcement will be published in the newspaper.

Marvin Fenn, ITD, reported the Plummer Bridge replacement project was expected to remain only one-lane through the winter as the project has encountered a number of issues. The Pine Point project on Interstate 90 is progressing; lanes are expected to reopen mid-September. All four lanes on the Lookout Pass project are expected to open mid-to-late September; the project will be ready for phase two next year. The application of sealcoat on the Highway 95 project north of Athol had been aborted as the contractor was unable to meet the CV (Cleanliness Value) specifications; the funds were used to complete the frontage road. Bids for the Pleasant View Road turning bay are expected to come out this Thursday and the project completed before winter; KMPO assisted in getting the project funded.

Eric Shanley, Lakes Highway District, reported the District was nearing completion of their 2015 construction projects. Their contractor, Interstate, finished paving the Old Highway 95 project last week; there is now a west-side frontage road connecting Highway 41 and 53. The District has completed chip sealing for the year; crews are doing miscellaneous paving work. There are delays in the Hudlow-Grand Tour area related to a waterline project. The Ramsey Road/Union Pacific railroad crossing upgrade is ongoing. ITD appeared to be working on the Atlas Road rail crossing last week; the gated crossings represent a significant safety improvement in the area.

Rob Palus, City of Post Falls, noted there were not a lot of changes from last month. The Greensferry Overpass project is progressing and on schedule for a late opening this year. The Spencer Street project is under construction with Avista moving utilities. The State Highway 41 bike/ped facility will go out to bid late this fall or early 2016. Bids on the Mullan/Idaho Street traffic signal were much higher than engineer's estimate; they are looking at ways to modify the project so it can be rebid and constructed.

David Callahan, Kootenai County, reported they were in the midst of the development code rewrite; the workshops are going well. They have been through three Planning Commission reviews with the Commission recommending approval of everything they have seen to this point. Mr. Callahan had asked that a few matters be deferred including the code related to newly constructed private roads. He provided the committee with a handout outlining a draft revision and reorganization of code section 8.4.201 Access Road and Driveway Standards for Residential Properties. He has discussed the matter with Chair Pankratz, Mr. Howard, Mr. Brownsberger, and Mr. Shanley and would like to correct the code so new private roads meet the highway districts' standard. Mr. Callahan noted the draft revision was only one solution and asked the jurisdictions to provide input. If the revision, or any version of it resonates with them, he will need their support before the Planning Commission and the County Commissioners.

Kelly Brownsberger, Post Falls Highway District, noted overlay projects on Prairie Avenue and Lancaster Road were complete. Chip seals for the year are complete. The District is currently looking at a project to remove and replace asphalt on Meyer Road at the Union Pacific rail crossing. They are currently working on culvert replacements in the same area on Meyer Road and will begin overlay patching.

Gordon Dobler, City of Coeur d'Alene, reported Avista had begun relocating utilities on the Government Way project; Frontier Communications assures the City they will complete their

relocations this fall. The overlays on Kathleen and Dalton Avenues were completed last week; Knife River worked at night which helped the project go smoothly.

Kevin Howard, Worley Highway District, reported work on the right-of-way for the Kidd Island Road project was ongoing. A creek realignment issue had developed; it is an engineered design realignment and not on the original streambed. Mr. Howard does not see foresee an issue with maintenance after construction noting he would advocate for a low maintenance design. Construction of the Highway District office is on schedule and progressing; they expect to be in the new office October 1. Improvements to Clemetson Road are expected to begin next week; signs are going up today. Crews are doing miscellaneous summer maintenance and will soon begin striping roads.

Sean Hoisington, City of Hayden, reported the City had completed the 3/4" chips in Grouse Meadows and started them in the subdivisions. The 3/8" chips on Hayden Avenue is complete; they will stripe on Friday. A thin overlay was done over the patching that was done last year on Ramsey Road; that will be striped on Friday. Crews ground out a significant amount of bad pavement on Prairie Avenue east of Loch Haven; it will be overlaid today. Mr. Hoisington said they will hold a meeting this afternoon on the Ramsey Road extension project; they are working with the Federal Highway Administration to understand the agreed level of environmental documentation for the project. The City has met with land owners over three alignments for the Ramsey Road extension and have one they like. The Council is authorizing them to proceed with a roundabout at Ramsey Road and Honeysuckle Avenue; they are reviewing the draft scope of work and hoping to begin right-of-way acquisition and construction in the spring. The Hayden Avenue corridor plan from US 95 to Huetter Road is progressing. Mr. Hoisington provided an update on the sewer project on Honeysuckle Avenue and Reed Road; work in front of Walmart on Honeysuckle Avenue will begin the day after Labor Day and will include some work on US 95.

John Pankratz, East Side Highway District, reported on road and creek bank stabilization on Gotham Bay Road. Riprap on the CCC Road was done to protect it from the high waters of the Coeur d'Alene River. District crews are doing maintenance, culvert replacement, ditching, and grading whenever possible. Mr. Pankratz thanked Worley Highway District for the use of their excavator which helped the District's riprap projects go more smoothly. He also thanked Lakes Highway District for the use of their shoulder machine.

6. KMPO Planning Updates

Bonnie Gow reported work on the Highway 41 Corridor Study continued. The update to ITD's access management plan and the delay of the Synchro analysis have contributed to them falling behind schedule. Ms. Gow noted she had gone through Synchro training and had developed the first Synchro file for existing conditions, noting there were errors related to the signal timing; she will be working with ITD Traffic Engineer Ryan Hawkins to resolve the errors. ITD is no longer seeking the expressway designation for Highway 41; the models have been reverted back to original proposal. Ms. Gow noted they had discussed ITD's access management update during a meeting last week. Highway 41 will stay as it was in the first corridor plan and not be changed to an expressway designation; signals will be placed at mile and half mile intersections. Ms. Gow said additional access points will be handled on a case-by-case basis; Mr. Davis will provide verbiage for the text document. The non-motorized map is the last map needed to update the corridor plan. Ms. Gow anticipates the Synchro analysis and completion of the text document will take 2-3 months.

7. Idaho Transportation Board Update

Mr. Fenn noted the ITD Board appeared open to draft legislation that would make Idaho an EPA sovereign state. He said it looked favorable and may pass; as it moves closer to legislation, they will be looking at the cost to the State. The Board spent time getting rid of old STIP programs, clarifying, adding a new STIP program and watching the wording between the Board and the Administrative Policy to ensure they were not closing doors on LHTAC projects in the program; the change may drop some of KMPO's program. Mr. Miles asked about the end-of-the-year program. An MOU is still needed. ITD needed the change so they could move on with some of the new funding. The Board is expected to approve the draft during the next Board meeting.

Mr. Fenn noted District 2 continued to get more requests for the 129K truck route; the nearest request is on Highway 12.

A report on 80 mph speed limits in Southern Idaho came out. ITD is currently doing engineering studies to increase speed limits in expressway areas on Highway 95 to 70 mph.

Mr. Fenn reported work on Phase One of the Worley North project was complete; they are working on Phase Two. The project is moving along quickly and is expected to be complete this year.

8. Current Business

Mr. Miles reported they had advertised four non-voting KCATT member positions; two applications have been received. The applications are expected to be presented to KCATT in October. The positions are available for those representing other modes of transportation, rail, freight, air, and bike/pedestrian. Application forms are available at the office or online at www.kmpo.net. KCATT's recommendation will then be taken to the KMPO Board.

Mr. Fenn advised Mr. Coonce that the large meeting room would not be available in October or November; ITD is remodeling the building and will be using the space. He suggested the large meeting room at the Department of Labor.

9. Upcoming KMPO Board Items

Mr. Miles noted the September Board Agenda will include approval of the 2016-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and the FY2016 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP); drafts were presented to the KMPO Board this month. Depending on the outcome with the City of Hayden, the first review of a draft MOU related to the Huetter Road, Ramsey Road and airport matter may be presented to the KMPO Board during the September meeting.

10. Other Business

a. KCATT Member Items

Mr. Palus noted the City had been working on their Transportation Master Plan update. They will hold an open house at the Post Falls City Hall on Thursday, September 17. Model results for no-build scenarios for 2020 and 2035 will be shown. The City will solicit input from the attendees and the community.

Chair Pankratz thanked Mr. Davis for all he had done for KCATT, ITD District One, and the State of Idaho.

Mr. Davis said it had been his pleasure to serve the State and noted Mr. Hoisington was the one who had encourage him to apply for the staff engineer position with the State. He has reflected on all the projects they have done over the past fifteen years. Mr. Davis will retire on September 16th.

11. **Next Meeting – September 22, 2015**

12. **Adjournment**

Mr. Rob Palus made a motion to adjourn the August 25, 2015 meeting. Mr. David Callahan second the motion which passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:41 a.m.

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Recording Secretary