KCATT MEETING
MINUTES
May 25, 2004
ITD District 1 Conference Room
Coeur d'Alene, Idaho

Call to Order:

Chair, Joe Wuest called the KCATT meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

Approval of the March Minutes:

John Pankratz made a motion to accept the April 27, 2004 minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Bob Lloyd, which passed unanimously.

Update With Utilities:

Avista: Steve Meredith reported the work at Government Way and Dalton Avenue was completed. Also, Meredith said the loop feed to the airport was installed.

Adelphia: Bruce Hathaway reported the work at the Government Way and Dalton location was completed following Avista's work.

KEC: Bob Hallock reported KEC was very busy with providing service to numerous housing sub-divisions.

Project Updates:

ITD: Andrea Storjohann reported several illumination projects were out for bid. Three CMAQ projects have gone out for bid also. On going projects include the Setters to Belgrove on US 95. There is still work on the US 95 section Belgrove to Mica finishing up portions that will be turned over to Worley Highway District. Paving to conclude on Pleasant View Road and the Government Way Bridge at I-90 is anticipated to go out for bid at the end of August.

Kootenai County: Rand Wichman reported the new subdivision ordinance is scheduled for public hearing on June 24. Wichman said the ordinance requires the sub-divisions to provide roadways that are built to the Kootenai County Associated Highway District Standards.

City of Post Falls: Bill Melvin reported they were still working on the concept report for Mullan Avenue project between Greensferry and SH 41. Routine summer maintenance was underway.

City of Coeur d' Alene: Gordon Dobler reported the Government Way project at the Dalton intersection was complete with signalization and striping. Neider and Government Way should be paved next week.

City of Hayden: Jeff Zaug reported spring maintenance was underway as well as preparation for chip seals. Zaug said the Government Way project has the environmental report and preliminary design complete. Right of way acquisition will be the next step.

City of Rathdrum: Bob Lloyd reported the intersection of Bingham and Main was being prepped along with pedestrian/bike pathways for the CMAQ paving and Enhancement funds respectively.

Eastside Highway District: John Pankratz reported the Sunnyside Road project was complete and minor re-construction work has begun on Bonnell Road and Dudley Road. Spring maintenance was underway.

Worley Highway District: Tom Nigh reported they had just finished applying 26 railcars of magnesium chloride and the Rockford Creek project has gotten underway.

Post Falls Highway District: Kelly Brownsberger reported the CMAQ paving project on Idaho Road was almost complete. Brownsberger also stated the new portion of Pleasant View Road would be complete in the next few weeks but was unsure of the exact date it would be open to the public.

Lakes Highway District: Joe Wuest asked G.E. Sigford to discuss the status of the Prairie Avenue widening project. Sigford stated the widening would occur on Prairie Avenue between Ramsey Road and Atlas Road. Design approval has been received and they expect the right-of-way plan to be submitted to Boise sometime next week.

Wuest reported the placement of BST on Ramsey Road from Lancaster to Boekel and on Atlas Road from SH 53 north to the UP railroad track is anticipated as soon as the weather cooperated. Wuest also reported the re-construction and paving of a 2 mile section of Dodd Road would begin the first week of July. Also, the Honeysuckle Hills Water Association will be putting in a waterline around the Hayden Lake Road from Tobler's Marina around to the backside of the lake. Wuest encouraged coordination of any other utilities having plans of work in that same area.

ITD Board Update:

John McHugh said there was a meeting of the ITD Executive Board in Idaho Falls last week. McHugh reported the results of the CMAQ and Enhancement applications. Applications approved for Enhancement Funds were the City of Post Falls 15th Avenue project for the year 2007. Applications approved for CMAQ was Post Falls Highway District's Huetter Road Paving project, City of Coeur d' Alene's purchase of a sweeper truck and the City of Post Falls Mullan Avenue couplet study for the year 2006. McHugh said there has been problems with overages associated with increases in the cost of materials, such as concrete, steel and fuel. Joe Wuest asked McHugh if there was concern about the escalating fuel costs resulting in fewer gallons sold with ultimately less revenue for highways. McHugh stated there is concern and research is underway to study implications associated with higher fuel costs.

Old Business:

Utility Mapping Update – Joe Wuest asked if members agreed to use the years 2005, 2006 and 2007 as the basis for the mapping project. Tanna Dole explained the construction map will be maintained on the KMPO website. The hard copy map circulated throughout the communities would direct citizens to the website and provide additional information if any changes occurred. Dole encouraged members to contact her if they were interested in having a link on the KMPO site to their own agencies. Wuest asked members to have project lists by the June KCATT meeting in order for a proto type map to be developed for review.

Other Business:

Local Match for KCATT Transportation Plan Update – Key No. 9025
Joe Wuest explained that Lakes Highway District had originally sponsored the application and the KCATT members were going to pay their apportionment of the local match requirement. **Tom Nigh made a motion that a committee of KCATT members meet to determine a recommended distribution. The motion was seconded by Gordon Dobler and passed unanimously.**
Tanna Dole reported to the members that work has already begun to update the travel demand model for Kootenai County. Dole explained the first task is to develop the base year/existing conditions model set. This first crucial step is time consuming and labor intensive to gather and enter all of the data from each jurisdiction. Dole provided a map to each agency and asked if intersection geometrics for the functionally classed roadways within their jurisdiction be provided as part of the update for the base model set. Dole explained there are projects on the horizon that involve the use of computer modeling and would like the maps with intersection geometrics by the next meeting if possible.

In other business Andrea Storjohann informed the members that after the primary election ITD would send out a letter to all successful candidates explaining that ITD will enforce Idaho code restricting use of the right-of-way for political signs. ITD will remove the signs and inform the violators that only private fences (with permission from the owners) can be used along the highways. She also added that fences along the Interstate are not considered private fences.

Next meeting – June 22

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

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TANNA DOLE
Recording Secretary