

**TILLAMOOK COUNTY
COUNTY ROAD ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING (CRAC)
Monday, November 1, 2021
3:00 PM TO 5:00 PM**

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1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Review and Approve October 4, 2021, meeting minutes
3. Staffing & Equipment
4. General Obligation Bond discussion
5. Funding Opportunities
 - a. Siuslaw RAC Grant: \$65,000
 - b. SSH: \$2.5m Earmark Request
6. Construction and Capital Projects
 - a. Cape Meares Loop Road
 - b. Neskowin Emergency Egress Route
 - c. FEMA Projects
 - d. Paving Update
7. Bridges
 - a. Completed
 - b. In-Design
 - c. Load Rated
8. County Road Advisory Committee member vacancies
9. Public Comments
10. Next Meeting

TILLAMOOK COUNTY ROAD ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Date: October 4, 2021

MEMBERS PRESENT: Curt Schonbrod, Anne Price, Bob Garrigues, Sherry Newman and Gus Meyer

STAFF: Chris Laity and Jeanette Steinbach

PUBLIC: Joanne Jene and Barbara Aufdermauer

Item 1. Call Meeting to Order: Meeting called to order at 3:00 pm. The Chair, Curt Schonbrod welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Item 2. Review and Approve July 12, 2021, meeting minutes: Gus moved to approve the July minutes, seconded by Bob, unanimously approved.

Item 3. Staffing: Staffing is currently at 22 employees. The Road Department is budgeted for 24 employees. There is a Road Maintenance Equipment Operator II vacancy as well as an Accounting Technician position vacancy. It is proving difficult to recruit CDL operators due to the competitiveness with private companies who are offering better wages. A classification study is in the works.

Item 4. General Obligation Bond discussion: Article to the paper. Future options and impacts: Chris verified with the Treasurer's office that the current bond won't be paid till the year 2029 which will be reflected in property taxes. The Bond sunsets in 2023. Discussion ensued on how to reflect and report to the community on the projects that the General Obligation Bond monies accomplished. The staff are working on a list of projects with mapping to illustrate these projects. The projects also garnered monies from outside sources since the County was able to levy match monies for projects that might have otherwise not been feasible. Gus Meyer talked about a permanent levy. There is no sunset on a permanent levy. and that might be a better opportunity so that there is no lapse in funding. A lapse in funding might result in deterioration of the county road transportation system. The crews with leadership are being very efficient and productive in the maintenance of the transportation system. Barbara Aufdermauer asked how word can get out about all the projects that have been accomplished. Chris Laity said that he has met with several community groups and the media. He added that he is open to attend any meetings and welcomes any suggestions from the members. Curt Schonbrod said that he would draft an article for the paper thanking the community for the support of the General Obligation Bond, highlighting the accomplishments, and narrating what would have happened if this Bond had not passed. Chris Laity has reached out to the Assessor and the Clerks office for more information on the current General Obligation Bond and will report back to the CRAC at the next meeting.

Item 5 Funding Opportunities: In addition to the request in conjunction with Salmon SuperHwy for a funding request from Congress, the Road Department is working with the United States Forest Service on a grant that would benefit a mutual jurisdiction road. The Road Department continually is seeking grant funding, but the biggest issue is funding the match money requirement.

Item 6. Construction and Capital Projects:

Chris reported on Capitol Projects slated from 2021 to 2024. A handout was sent to all the members, and it was posted on the website.

2021 Earmark Requests

- Salmon SuperHwy - Trask River Road over Green Creek
- Salmon SuperHwy – Trask River Road over Samson Creek
- Salmon SuperHwy – Ekroth Road over Illingsworth Creek
- Salmon SuperHwy – Kilchis River Road over Myrtle Creek
- Salmon SuperHwy – Latimer Road over Slide Creek (Yankee Branch): no design work done
- Salmon SuperHwy – Bayocean Road over Flowerpot Creek: no design work done

2021-2022 Construction:

- TCRD – Neskowin Emergency Egress Route
 - In Construction – Paving will likely be in the Spring.

2021-2022 USFS Enterprise Designs (construction funding is unknown):

- Tomlinson Road over Esther Creek (culvert pipe to box culvert)
- Sandlake Road over unnamed creek (just north of Tierra Del Mar, culvert pipe to bridge)
- Sandlake Road over Beltz Creek (north of Tierra Del Mar, culvert pipe to bridge)

2022 Construction:

- Salmon SuperHwy - Trask River Road over Green Creek (culvert to bridge)
 - Nearing 90% design & fully funded
- TCRD (2015 Storm) – Old Wheeler Mohler Slide
 - Nearing 90% design. Fully funded / FEMA 75% match
- TCRD (2015 Storm) – Kilchis House
 - Nearing 60% design, FEMA 75% match. Construction funding is unknown
- FHWA – Cape Meares Loop Road
 - Bids received. Fully funded. Waiting on final R/W acquisition.
- TCRD – Oceanside Ramp
 - No Bids received – Rebid in February

2022 or 2023 Construction:

- Salmon SuperHwy - Trask River Road over Samson Creek (culvert to bridge)
 - Nearing 90% design & partially funded for construction
- Salmon SuperHwy - Ekroth Road over Illingsworth Creek (culvert to bridge)
 - Nearing 90% design & partially funded for construction

- Salmon SuperHwy - Kilchis River Road over Myrtle Creek (culvert to bridge)
 - At 60% design & partially funded for construction
- TCRD (2015 Storm) – Hadley Road Bank Stabilization
 - Alternatives in review / FEMA 75% match

Repairs or Replacements (2022 -2023): Bridge inspections received at the end of August. Determination on how to address deficiencies has not been established.

- Miami-Foley Road over Minich Creek (bridge)
- Moss Creek Road over Moss Creek (bridge)

2023 Construction:

- ODOT (2015 Storm) Bayocean Road over Dick Creek (temp. bridge to permanent bridge)
 - At 30% design. Fully funded / 10.27% match
- ODOT (2015 Storm) Miami-Foley Road over Dry Creek (culvert to bridge)
 - At 30% design. Fully funded / 10.27% match
- ODOT (2015 Storm) Miami-Foley Road over Crystal Creek (culvert to bridge)
 - At 30% design. Fully funded / 10.27% match
- TCRD Big Trout Road over Three Rivers (bridge replacement)
 - Starting Design. Fully funded / ODOT 89.73% match

2024 Construction:

- TCRD (2015 Storm) East Creek Slide Stabilization
 - At 30% design. Issues with Environmental Assessment Fully funded / FEMA 75% match

Projects request of ODOT to fund additional bridges in the next STIP. If funded, construction would not occur before 2026:

- Blum Lane over Dougherty Slough (Prince Bridge)
- Sandlake Road over Sand Creek (Atkinson Bridge)
- Wilson River Loop over Wilson River (Sollie Smith Bridge)
 - Unlikely to be funded this cycle – potentially funded in 2030.
- New Miami River Road over Miami River (Keesling Bridge)
 - Unlikely to be funded – historic scour issue since the late '70s.

Cape Meares Loop Project bids opened September 10, 2021. The bid was \$2,000,000 over budget. The Federal Highway division was able to obtain the additional monies needed. The County's match will be \$205,000.

Item 7. Jurisdiction of portion of Haystack Drive by Hill Street: Chris did speak with Renee Starr and relayed to her that this was a private road. The County Road Department will assist if needed.

Item 8. County Road Advisory Committee member vacancies: Jeanette reported that there is currently one vacancy. Members are being sought preferably from either North or South County. Gary Hercher has not been attending meetings for quite a while. The members suggested Jeanette reach out to Gary Hercher. Members strongly

supported appointing Barbara Aufdermauer to the vacant position. Jeanette mentioned that CRAC's bylaws state that "When a vacancy occurs County Commissioners appoint a member from the location in which the vacancy occurred if possible." Jeanette to contact Gary Hercher and then email Commissioner Bell and the members on the outcome.

Public Comments: Joanne Jene shared safety concerns in Oceanside. Requesting a mirror on Cedar and Maxwell Mtn Road. A community member also requested a radar sign be placed on Chinook to slow speeders down. Jeanette mentioned that she emailed the Sheriff's office to see if this is a possibility. The Road Dept. will also place a traffic counter for an indication of the volume of traffic.

Item 13. Next Meeting: The next meeting is November 01, 2021. The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.