

POST FALLS HIGHWAY DISTRICT
MAY 7, 2008 MINUTES

Regular Meeting – May 7, 2008, 6:00 pm, E. 5629 Seltice Way

Robert Wilbur, Vice-Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Present at this meeting were: Robert Wilbur, Terry Werner, Kelly Brownsberger, Mary Spray and Darius Ruen from Ruen-Yeager. Lynn Humphreys contacted by phone. Guests: Carol Helmick, Joan Best, Bruce Wright, John Whelan, Ron Bonnough, Chris and Shannon Varela and Sandy Young.

Terry Werner made the motion to approve the minutes for April with the following corrections as follows, the removal of John Flynn's name. Kelly was unable to contact him so he was not at that meeting. The next item was concerning the Election change. Terry mad a motion to have this presented at the next meeting, since it was not on this agenda. Lynn Humphreys seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioners had no conflict of interest with any agenda item.

Smith Road ROW

Mr. Atkins was not present at the meeting. Terry Werner made the motion to continue this at the next meeting. Lynn Humphreys seconded. Motion carried.

Tom Mort Abandonment

Terry Werner stated that this would be for the public hearing. Robert Wilbur asked if there was anyone in the audience concerned about this abandonment? No one had an interest. Lynn Humphreys inquired on the documents that were to be executed for the land exchange and did we have them in our possession? Terry Werner and Kelly Brownsberger responded with "No" Robert Wilbur closed the public comments. Terry Werner made a motion to approve the vacation only when the documents were in place for the land exchange. Lynn Humphreys seconded. Motion carried.

Bruce Wright Abandonment

Robert Wilbur read the letter – From Stephen M. Ayers, Attorney at Law, representative of the Hidden Valley Addition Water Association dated 5/1/2008. The letter requested the Highway District to Deny the petition. The petition to deny the Vacate/Abandon Hidden Lane, dated 5/3/08 containing 4 signatures, was read.

Carol Helmick stated the incorrect legal description caused confusion among the land owners. Mr. Whelan said that it was the property owned by the Wrights that was listed and that it was unfortunate. Joan stated that if it was abandoned it would cut off the Broughtons access. With the lack of the correct legal description, the incorrect address that were used Terry Warner made a motion to table the decision until the vacate order was properly filed and notification was made. A correction to the address of David and Kathy Broughton as 12451 N Chase Rd, Rathdrum, ID 83858 and Joan Broughton at 12415 N Chase Rd, Rathdrum, ID 83858. That Ruen-Yeager would submit the proper legal description and that Mr. Wright would be responsible for the cost. This would be provided in time to go before the board at the July 2, meeting. Lynn Humphreys seconded. Motion carried.

Nelson Loop

Terry Werner made a motion to approve the portion of Validation of Nelson Loop Road for signature by the board. Lynn Humphreys seconded. Motion carried.

Correspondence

The letter Dated April 28, 2008 from William Tarnasky was read. A request to re-establish the speed limits on the east

end of Mullan just before Huetter Road, and the south end of Huetter Road from 35 MPH to 45 MPH. Terry Werner requested the traffic information be submit and reviewed by Darius. Kelly Brownsberger said the data had been collected but had not been down loaded at this time. Upon review they would consider the request on the next agenda.

Carol Helmicks letter, dated April 15, 2008 would be reviewed at the July 2nd meeting. At this time Mr. Ron Bonnough submitted his letter and asked that it be read at that July 2nd meeting also.

Idaho Transportation Department progress estimate #35 was reviewed.

LHTAC letter from Gerald H. Flatz, P.E. was read and reviewed concerning the residual funds remaining on the Prairie Avenue Project (Key 08479). There is \$600,000 dollars remaining and the Highway District has requested a promise that any other expenses would be paid by LHTAC. There is a risk that if ITD closes the project that ITD may sweep the funds and they would not be available to STP-Local Rural program.

City of CDA letter concerning 2212 West Prairie Avenue had been referred to Lakes Highway District.

Public Hearing Agenda for May 22, 2008 at 6.00pm concerning the Capital Improvement plan was reviewed. Lynn Humphreys requested this be added to his meeting calendar.

Advanced Technology Surveying & Engineering by Cindy Espe on Pemberton's River Vista was read and reviewed. Item #3- Wanted to know why they were being required to pay for 3 lots instead of the original 2 lots. Terry Werner requested the plat map be provided for review. Darius Ruen stated that when they did their review they determined there were 3 lots and they would be required to pay for 3 not 2. Darius will provide the plans for review to make the determination on item #4 and would be continued to next meeting.

Road Supervisor

Kelly Brownsberger stated he would relinquish his spot so that Darius Ruen could discuss the Varela Commercial Resort with Chris and Shannon Varela.

Darius Ruen presented Chris and Shannon Varela and Sandy Young, with their review letter. It was read and discussed. The recommendations were. 1. Evaluation of existing approach be conducted to ensure adequate width, grade and site distance. 2. Driveway to be improved to current Highway District Standards. 3. Driveway approach is paved from the edge of the roadway to the right-of-way line. Terry Werner expressed his concern with the gravel being thrown onto the road surface and that 20' back be paved for a large apron. Chris Varela confirmed the location of the apron and paving and asked that Kelly Brownsberger come out and review on site prior to the work being done. Robert Wilbur provided historical information on the property.

Darius then turned it back to Kelly Brownsberger.

Road Supervisor

Nick Snyder of Kootenai County Parks and Waterway had contacted him concerning the grant to repave down to the beach on Faye Road. They did not make it this year but were confident they would make it next year. He was hoping the Highway District would be willing to make that offer next year in the amount of \$2000.00. Kelly assured him that we would honor that offer next year.

Received an after the fact notification for the fill on Greensferry Bridge from the Corp of Engineers and they are going to approve it with some conditions. A call had been made into the local office and they had not responded yet. One of the things it does not address the continuation to armor the approach down to the pump house. They are not going to do anything to us for what we have done so far.

Jan Beecham called concerning the abandonment of Plonski and we had decided they were responsible for the survey done by Daruis Ruen in the amount of \$3600.00 dollars. She asked why they had to pay the money when the old Pleasant view Highway District had abandoned with continued maintenance. Terry Werner said since they had come in and requested the abandonment and they gained the value of the land they would be responsible for the survey fee.

Kelly had agreed to purchase the new 2006 roller for \$47,000.00 dollars, having only 260 hours it was like brand new. The old roller needs to be disposed of. It has a broken axel with a few other problems. If we scrapped it out we could get between \$250.00-\$625.00 per weight or the Nichols Worth for bid. Lynn and Terry both agreed to run the add in the Nichols Worth.

Kelly stated that with the bad winter it had depleted the Mag Chloride budget. \$26,000 dollars had been used last year for the stabilization program. He requested a transfer of funds from the construction ROW funds in the amount of \$20,000. and they can piggyback on Lakes bid. This would keep customer satisfaction up and improve maintenance. All commissioners agreed.

Letters had been sent out concerning the damn on Nelson Loop. The next process would be to have a court injunction issued for the removal. All commissioners agreed to go forward with the legal process.

Darius and I went out and looked at the railroad crossing on Myers and I spoke with Bob Austin. Bob Austin is going to put a group together when Joe Pigler comes up from Boise. We will go out and do an evaluation with the group at that time. The letter that was received from Mr. Gibson had requested a response from the district. I asked Leigh to write a letter of response to them for your review and signature. The letter was read and it was agreed upon to sign and send the letter to them.

Avista contacted us concerning the substation on the NE corner of Prairie and Idaho additional easement. I need to get info from Kelly. Recorder stopped and not quite sure what was said.

Engineer

The review letter for Everett Estates was presented and discussed. Since the developer has not met the obligations under the previous conditional approval the Post Falls Highway District recommends as a condition of the approval as listed in the review letter. Terry Werner and Lynn Humphreys concurred.

No comment on building and garage on Crystal Bay Road it is not public ROW and no comment would be made on Eskeberg .

Office

Terry Werner made the motion to approve the vouchers as presented and was seconded by Lynn Humphreys. Motion passed

Adjourn: 7.29pm