

COWLITZ-WAHKIAKUM COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
Southwest Washington Regional Transportation Planning Organization
Regular Meeting
Ilwaco Community Room ~ 151 First Ave N, Ilwaco, WA 98624
Wednesday, February 20, 2019 ~ 10:00 a.m.

MINUTES

Voting Members

Crystal Dingler, Chair, City of Ocean Shores
Randy Ross, Grays Harbor County
Gene Strong, Wahkiakum County
Tim Alstrom, City of Aberdeen
Lee Coumbs, City of Centralia

Gary Forner, City of Ilwaco
Rosemary Siipola, City of Kalama
Tony Nordin, City of Raymond
Julie Struck, City of South Bend
Don Bradshaw, City of Winlock

Non-Voting Members

Kayla Dunlap, Port of Grays Harbor
Eric Yakovich, Port of Kalama
Colleen Kuhn, Human Services Council

Camille Goldsmith, WOTM
Cater Timmerman, WSDOT

Guests

Jim Sayce, Pacific Economic Development Council

Staff

Robert Stevens, CWCOG
Bill Fashing, CWCOG
Ken Pearrow, CWCOG

Vicki Cummings, Grays Harbor COG
Mike Kroll, Lewis County
Lauren Read, CWCOG

1. Call to Order & Introductions

Chair Crystal Dingler called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Introductions were made.

2. Public Comment

None.

3. Presentation

A. Jim Sayce – Pacific County Trail Route Plan

Jim Sayce gave an update on the trail route plan in Pacific county. This included an overview of work done by a local consultant. He informed the Board that the project has the support of the Washington State Department of Transportation.

B. Colleen Kuhn – Accessible Transportation Coalition Update

Colleen Kuhn gave an update on the process of the one call, one click accessible transportation program. She informed the Board that they have recently added Lewis, Pacific, and Grays Harbor county to their service area.

4. Action Items

A. Election of Officers

Rosemary Siipola nominated Frank Wolfe for Chair. There were no other nominations. Voting all in favor. Nomination passed. Frank Wolfe will be the Chair for 2019.

There were no nominations for Vice Chair, so Rosemary Siipola volunteered. Voting all in favor. Nomination passed. Rosemary Siipola will be the Vice Chair for 2019.

Past Chair, Crystal Dingler, continued to run the meeting in Frank's absence.

B. December 12, 2018 Minutes

Motion: A motion was made by Rosemary Siipola to approve the December 12, 2018 minutes as presented. The motion was seconded. No discussion. Voting all in favor. Motion passed.

C. Resolution 19-03: Transportation Alternatives Program Project Funding

Robert Stevens provided a reminder of the Transportation Alternatives program and explained that two projects were being recommended to receive funding.

Motion: A motion was made by Tim Alstrom to approve the Resolution 19-03 as presented. The motion was seconded. No discussion. Voting all in favor. Motion passed.

D. Future Call for Projects for Transportation Alternatives Program

Robert Stevens informed the Board that there was money leftover that needed to be allocated.

Motion: A motion was made by Randy Ross to approve the future call for projects as presented. The motion was seconded. No discussion. Voting all in favor. Motion passed.

E. Board Responsibilities Matrix

Director Fashing explained that the matrix provided will be used a guidance system until new bylaws are completed.

No official action was taken at this time.

5. Information Items

A. RTPO Funding Formula

Director Fashing provided an overview of the old funding formula and explained how the new funding formula would impact the SWRTPO.

B. 2020 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) Process

Robert Stevens provided an overview of the UPWP planning process and a timeline for the creation of the document.

C. Electric Vehicle Plan

Robert Stevens presented a timeline for the plan and explained that the Board should prepare for future grant applications.

D. State Safety Performance Measures Update

Ken Pearrow explained that the performance measures are only for the MPO, not the RTPO and that the MPO adopted the state measures instead of creating new ones. He shared charts with data from each county in the RTPO.

E. Regional Trails Integration

Director Fashing informed the Board that both Cowlitz and Pacific counties had recently completed work on trails within the county. Both plans include the long-term tie into adjacent counties. The RTPO staff will support work in SWRTPO counties as well as in adjacent counties to integrate the trail

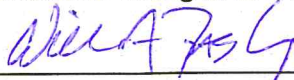
systems. He also informed the Board that the Cowlitz County Six Rivers Trail route is on the Arc GIS app.

6. Other Business

Tim Alstrom thanked Crystal Dingler for her service as Chair.

7. Adjourn

There being no further business, Don Bradshaw made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded. No discussion. Voting all in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.



William A. Fashing, Executive Director



Frank Wolfe, Chair