

**COWLITZ-WAHKIAKUM COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS**  
**Southwest Washington Regional Transportation Planning Organization**  
**Regular Meeting**  
Summit Pacific Hospital Wellness Center ~ 610 E Main Street, Elma, WA  
Wednesday, May 15, 2019 ~ 10:00 a.m.

**MINUTES**

**Voting Members**

Frank Wolfe, Chair, Pacific County  
Dennis Weber, Cowlitz County  
Rob Wilson, Grays Harbor County  
Gene Strong, Wahkiakum County  
Tim Alstrom, City of Aberdeen

Steve Ensley, City of Ocean Shores  
Tony Nordin, City of Raymond  
Jen Slempe, City of Winlock  
Dennis Engel, WSDOT Olympic  
Judith Perez, WSDOT SW

**Non-Voting Members**

Jenny Knutson, Coastal CAP  
Ken Mehin, Grays Harbor Transit

Gabe Phillips, WSDOT HQ  
Rick Keniston, WSDOT SW

**Guests**

None

**Staff**

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

Zana Dennis, Grays Harbor COG  
Mike Kroll, Lewis County  
Lauren Read, CWCOG

**1. Call to Order & Introductions**

Chair Frank Wolfe called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. Introductions were made.

**2. Public Comment**

None.

**3. Presentation**

- A. Ken Mehin, Grays Harbor Transit  
Ken Mehin provided an update on Grays Harbor Transit activities.

**4. Action Items**

- A. February 20, 2019 Minutes

**Motion:** A motion was made by Tim Alstrom to approve the February 20, 2019 Minutes as presented. The motion was seconded. No discussion. Voting all in favor. Motion passed.

- B. Resolution 19-09: Supporting Implementation of Federal Fund Exchange or Swap in Washington State  
Director Fashing reminded the Board that a resolution on this topic was asked for at the February meeting.

Robert Stevens then gave a short presentation on his research into other states who have this program.

**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.

## 5. Information Items

### A. RTPO Funding Formula

Director Fashing informed the Board that WSDOT has made a decision regarding the new RTPO funding formula. He explained that it will not affect funding now but future funding may be in smaller increments.

The Summit Pacific CEO came to share the company's story after Bill finished updating the Board on the funding formula.

### B. Human Services Transportation Plan – Project Update

Ken presented the funding awards for two- and four-year grants to the Board. His presentation included tables, charts, and maps of the areas.

### C. 2019-2022 Regional Transportation Improvement Program – Amendments

Robert Stevens informed the Board of all of the RTIP amendment details for the past three months for both the MPO and the RTPO. Handouts were included in the packet.

### D. 2020 Unified Planning Work Program

The Board was informed that the CWCOG Board of Directors approves the UPWP for both the MPO and the RTPO. They will be considering the document at their meeting on May 23. The document was put out for public comment as required and the comment period ends on May 22. So far, no comments have been received.

### E. Transportation Alternatives Program – Obligation Status and Upcoming Call for Projects

The Board was reminded that at the last meeting they asked staff to move forward with an additional call for projects in order to make sure the region meets obligation. It was mentioned that two members of the ranking committee are no longer on the Board and those positions need to be filled in order to rank projects that may come in.

**Motion:** A motion was made by Ken Mehin to call a special meeting of the SWRTPO Board in order to fill the two open spots on the Ranking Committee. The motion was seconded. No discussion. Voting all in favor. Motion passed.

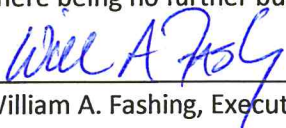
The special meeting will be a conference call with the CWCOG office as the main location. A doodle poll will be sent with various dates to see what works best for members of the Board.


## 6. Other Business

None.

## 7. Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:52 p.m.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
William A. Fashing, Executive Director

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Frank Wolfe, Chair