



**Transportation Advisory Board
Minutes
Monday, July 20, 2009**

Members Present: Chairperson David Newell; Vice-Chairperson, Tim B. Collins; Riad Alharithi; Eric Gakstatter; Joyce Jackson; David Rittenhouse; Eric Underwood

Members Absent:

Visitors: Carol Yates

Staff: Pat Rich, Engineering Department

1. Chairperson Newell called the meeting to order at 6:07pm.
2. Newell moved to approve the June minutes, striking the last partial sentence in item 5, Jackson seconded, the minutes were approved.
 - Rittenhouse asked about item 5 of the minutes "No major transportation issues are anticipated". Inquired about where the proposed entrance to the solar highway would be. Concerns about an entrance on Salamo Rd.
3. Old Business

Tri-Met Taxes

Copies of the West Linn *Transit Telephone Study*, completed by Research 13 in September 2008, were distributed. Newell talked on the background of the study. Collins and Newell would prefer to have a conversation with the Council regarding the context of the study. The group thought survey questions could have been asked differently. Need to know where people commute to and how they travel.

Work on 12th Street intersection

Newell has talked to Dennis Wright and he will let Newell know when that work begins.

Barrington Heights Street Repair

Newell explained that regarding last month's question about the Barrington Heights streets repair schedule - it is on the Council schedule tonight.

Bus Shelters

Newell made clarification on the location of the planned three new bus shelters referred to at last month's meeting 1) Cedaroak park and ride, 2) [?Exit?] 15 North at the library/Bolton Community Center, and 3) [?Exit ?] 17 North at Willamette Falls and Willamette Falls Drive by Three Rivers Charter School.

Jitney bus service in West Linn

Newell would like the Board to consider possible funding sources for a jitney bus service. He will work with Gene & Dennis to bring in the kind of data the board wants to see. He recommends bringing in someone from a city that has a local bus service such as SMART, Oregon City, or Molalla to talk at the August board meeting.

Report from Green Liaison to Sustainability

Jackson reported that she attended the Sustainability meeting last Thursday. They are developing a kiosk (which can be physical, web or printed material) of issues important to the community regarding making the city more sustainable. She asked the board if there is anything they would like to see in the Kiosk. Jackson suggested the Jitney bus service and rain gardens. Other suggestions were:

- Connecting electric cars into the ODOT solar panels for charging.
- Connecting city street and signal lights into the ODOT solar panels.
- Education on green streets and how green streets were incorporated into the Hwy. 43 plan. Possibly having Metro come talk to the group.
- Street tree information and education.
- Alharithi explained some requirements for rain gardens in sidewalk planting strips.
- Suggested having city arborist, Mike Perkins, come talk to the group about recommended street trees, requirements, and issues.
- Eric Underwood will obtain a copy of Tualatin's new ordinance on street trees for the August meeting.

Follow-up items from last month meeting from Gene Green

Rich passed on information from Green who could not attend tonight's meeting.

- Greene St and Salamo Rd - work on pothole in middle of street was repaired today.
- Neighborhood association street sign toppers - Shauna Shroyer has the information for Gakstatter to come in and review.

4. Discuss Tri-Met taxes assessed to employers in 97068 zip code area. The board would like to have someone talk to the group about Tri-Met taxes.

5. New Business

Metro's Capital Grants Program

Alharithi summarized Metro's *Nature in Neighborhoods* pamphlet, regarding their \$15 million Capital Grants Program, which is aimed at keeping green areas green and has funding available for green areas, trails.

6. Chairperson Newell moved to adjourn, Collins seconded, passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:00pm.