

Minutes – REGULAR MEETING
LEWIS CLARK VALLEY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

Tuesday, February 10, 2009 – 2:00 p.m.

First Floor Conference Room – Bell Building – 215 D Street – Lewiston ID

Policy Board Members: Nez Perce County – Doug Zenner; City of Lewiston – John Currin; Asotin County – Doug Mattoon,
Joel Ristau, City of Clarkston – Kathleen Warren

Director: Steven Watson

Ex-Officio: Laura Von Tersch, Tom LaPointe, Kathy Parker

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m.

II. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Please limit your comments to three minutes out of consideration for others wishing to speak.

None.

III. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR – Vice Chair must be from Idaho. Motion to include amending bank signature card.

Mr. Mattoon made a motion to nominate Mr. Zenner to the position of Vice-Chair, directing that the bank signature card be amended to remove Mr. Van Tassel and add Mr. Zenner; second by Mr. Currin. With no further nominations Mr. Zenner was elected in a unanimous vote.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF December 18, 2008

Mr. Currin made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 18, 2008, meeting; second by Mr. Zenner. Motion approved unanimously.

V. ACTIVE AGENDA

- a. Review of outstanding bills - *Authorization to pay the following bills:*
- City of Lewiston – Director Services - \$3174.50
 - Asotin County – Finance Director - \$154.00
 - Project Engineering Consultants – Travel Demand Model - \$6380.00
 - Watson Reimbursement – Ads for Consultants - \$112.66
 - Nelson Nygaard – Transit Study - \$8772.62

Mr. Currin made a motion to approve payment of the bills as presented; second by Mr. Zenner. Motion approved unanimously.

- b. TIP Amendments for Lewiston – *Review two TIP amendments from Lewiston:*
- 11th Street – include on map as collector and amend TIP for federal earmark;
 - Safe Routes to Schools projects

Mr. Watson and Ms. Von Tersch reviewed the proposal to reclassify 11th Street north from Warner Avenue to Lindsay Creek Road from local to collector. As the full project develops this alignment will be better positioned to provide an additional north-south route to supplement and ultimately replace Gun Club Road. The reclassification will allow the use of a federal earmark to improve a portion of the street. The Technical Advisory Committee recommended reclassification.

Mr. Mattoon made a motion to reclassify 11th Street north from Warner Avenue to Lindsay Creek Road from local to collector; second by Mr. Zenner. Motion approved unanimously.

Mr. Watson reviewed the request from the City of Lewiston to amend the TIP to include a safe routes to schools project that has been funded. The project will provide sidewalks to McSorley Elementary from 16th Avenue south to the school.

Mr. Ristau made a motion to amend the TIP to include the safe routes to schools project; second by Mr. Zenner. Motion approved unanimously.

- c. Boundary Amendment – *Considering amendments to the urbanized area boundary as recommended by the Technical Advisory Committee*

Mr. Watson reviewed four proposed changes to the boundary maps for the MPO. Three changes will enlarge the urbanized area boundary and one change will enlarge the planning area boundary. The proposed changes are necessitated by development that has occurred since the boundaries were first set in 2003. Implications of the proposed changes on stormwater regulations were discussed.

Mr. Currin made a motion to approve the four amendments to the boundaries as presented; second by Mr. Mattoon. Motion approved unanimously.

- d. Administration of MPO Business

Ms. Von Tersch reviewed the current status of MPO administration, noting the organization needs to strengthen and deepen its knowledge base. Following discussion it was agreed to determine if work components could be broken off and assigned to agencies or other staff. These could include representation at MPO meetings at Boise or SeaTac, contract administration, and TIP development. Use of a contract employee was also discussed. Watson was requested to provide the Director job description to the Board.

VI. BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS AND DIRECTION TO STAFF

Mr. Currin discussed economic stimulus projects in Idaho, noting the state requirement that projects be awarded within ninety days of notice of funding.

Mr. LaPointe briefly updated the Board on ITD's IMAP program for planning for and allocating transit money in non-metropolitan areas. Watson advised that staff has met with the district coordinator and agrees that cooperation is important.

Mr. Ristau reported that an internal evaluation of Southway Bridge was completed showing no rusting or leakage. There is still concern about scour on Pier 3.

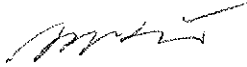
VII. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS RELATIVE TO THE MPO

None.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted



Steven M Watson, AICP
Director