

Minutes – REGULAR MEETING
LEWIS CLARK VALLEY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

Tuesday, May 11, 2010 – 2:00 p.m.

Second Floor Meeting Room – Bell Building – 215 D Street – Lewiston ID

Policy Board Members: City of Asotin – Mervin Schneider; Nez Perce County – Doug Zenner; City of Lewiston – Dennis Ohrtman, Kevin Poole; Asotin County – Joel Ristau, City of Clarkston – Kathleen Warren

Director: Steven Watson

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. Mr. Ohrtman made a motion to amend the agenda to include item (a) billing; second by Mr. Poole. Motion approved unanimously.

II. CITIZEN COMMENTS

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

None.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF April 20, 2010

Mr. Schneider made a motion to approve the minutes of April 20, 2010; second by Mr. Ohrtman. Motion approved unanimously.

IV. ACTIVE AGENDA

a. **Billing – WGM Group (Downtown circulation Study) \$5,667.50;**

Mr. Watson reviewed the billing for the origin/destination component of the circulation study and recommended approval.

Ms. Warren made a motion to approve the billing as presented; second by Mr. Poole. Motion approved unanimously.

b. **Stimulus II Application – Consideration of submitting a grant request for Stimulus II funds for mega-project;**

Mr. Watson reviewed the fundamentals of the funding source. There is a total of \$600 million available with a minimum grant of \$10 million. The funding requires a minimum of a twenty percent local match that needs to be identified in the application. Pre-applications are due July 16, 2010 with final applications due August 23, 2010. If the MPO submitted the same application as in the original TIGER funding cycle the area would need \$4 million in local match.

Mr. Ristau and Mr. Zenner both commented that their funding sources are quite low due to the economy and other projects thus it would be difficult to find this much money.

A proposal was put forward to evaluate the possibility of submitting only two of the three projects: Southway/Snake River Avenue intersection and re-decking Southway Bridge for a cost of \$10 million. Local match would be allocated so that each agency would provide funding for twenty-five percent of the local match for the bridge project and Lewiston would be responsible for the local match for the intersection. Members agreed to take this proposal back to their boards for consideration. Action was deferred to June, 8, 2010, Policy Board meeting.

c. **Project updates** -- *general update on on-going projects.*

Mr. Watson advised that final scoping is underway for the system preservation best management practices.

V. **BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS AND DIRECTION TO STAFF**

Mr. Ristau thanked the Board for supporting the Ten Mile Bridge project. He also noted that bidding will soon be underway for the 13th Street/Peasley signalization project.

Mr. Zenner advised that two projects will begin in Nez Perce County. Both Webb Road and McGarry Grade Bridge will be underway this summer.

VI. **STAFF COMMUNICATIONS RELATIVE TO THE MPO**

Mr. Watson advised the Board of an opportunity to provide ADA training for member agencies and others for projects within the right of way. The target date is May 24 with the target audience being public works engineers, consultants, and others who could benefit from the training.

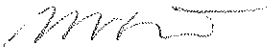
Mr. Poole made a motion to authorize the expenditure of \$4000 for the project; second by Mr. Ohrtman. Motion approved unanimously. Mr. Ristau will manage the project.

Mr. Watson advised the Board that he will be out of town from May 14 through May 29 on vacation.

VII. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted



Steven M Watson
Director
May 11, 2010