

**Minutes – REGULAR MEETING**  
**LEWIS-CLARK VALLEY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION**  
**TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Wednesday, January 27, 2010 – 10:00 a.m. – Second Floor Meeting Room**  
**Bell Building – 215 D Street – Lewiston ID**

Members: City of Clarkston, City of Asotin, City of Lewiston, Asotin County, Port of Clarkston,  
Transit Providers, ITD, WSDOT, PRTPO  
Director: Steven Watson

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m.

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** of January 20, 2010, Special Meeting

Mr. Watson made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 20, 2010, special meeting; second by Mr. Davies. Motion approved unanimously.

**III. ELECTION OF OFFICER** – Vice Chair from Idaho

Chris Davies, Lewiston Public Works Director, was elected at Vice-Chair. Mr. Riggers of Asotin County became Chair.

**IV. ACTIVE AGENDA**

*a. **Stimulus 2 Project Priorities** – Finalizing projects for potential Stimulus 2 funds from Washington*

Mr. Watson reported on a conference call held this morning with WSDOT and others from around the state regarding the pending Jobs bill. Due to the short turn-around time for project award most projects will be preservation.

Mr. Riggers reported the Asotin County working group had met to prioritize projects for Jobs funding. The group recommended the following projects in order of priority: (1) City of Asotin – Second Street overlay Washington to Cleveland; (2) Asotin County – 15<sup>th</sup> Street overlay US 12 to Fleshman Way; and (3) City of Clarkston – 13<sup>th</sup> Street overlay Bridge Street to Highland Avenue.

Ms. Keefer made a motion to recommend adoption of the prioritized list to the Policy Board; second by Mr. Martin. Motion approved unanimously.

*b. **Project Updates.***

Mr. Watson reported four submittals had been received for the Central Orchards Circulation study. The review panel has selected Intermountain Transportation Solutions (ITS) of Spokane to recommend to the Policy Board.

The origin-destination survey for the downtown circulation study will take place in mid-February using "blue tooth" technology. That project is over forty percent complete.

A request for qualifications has been published for the system preservation best management practices. Other RFQs are being developed.

**V. MEMBER COMMENTS RELATIVE TO THE MPO**

Mr. Preston advised that the Washington Transportation Plan (WTP) is being updated. The Transportation Commission wishes to conduct listening sessions around the state; they should be contacted directly to schedule a date. It was agreed that the Palouse RTPO would coordinate the meeting among the four member counties and the MPO. Ms. Keefer expressed concern that the WTP does not include water-borne freight movement. This matter will be brought to the Commission.

Mr. Preston advised the membership that the Highway System Plan is being updated. It covers only routes on the state system, not local projects. There is on-going concern that because of project prioritization systems most projects are being funded in western Washington at the expense of smaller projects elsewhere. The loss of over \$20 million for local projects is being felt.

Mr. Helm advised the membership of on-going corridor studies that includes some portions of the metropolitan area. Members are urged to visit the ITD website and participate in a survey.

Mr. Vater advised the membership of "Mobility Idaho" that intends to complete public transit plans for each sub-district. He also announced that the group is seeking nominations for mobility and coordination efforts and suggested the Lewiston/PTBA partnership be nominated.

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

The next meeting will be held at the Asotin County Courthouse on February 24.

**VII. ADJOURN**

There being no further business to come before the membership the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted



Steven M Watson  
Director  
January 27, 2010