

**CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MINUTES OF JANUARY 22, 2013**

The Board convened in the Commissioners' Hearing Room, 6th Floor, Public Service Center, 1300 Franklin Street, Vancouver, Washington. Commissioners Tom Mielke, David Madore, and Steve Stuart present.

**10:00 A.M.**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Commissioners led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Stuart asked for staff to come up to explain consent agenda item #1 further. Dean Lookingbill, Director for Regional Transportation Council, explained further on the importance on receiving the dues in a timely manner to receive federal funding. Further discussion ensued. Pete Capell, Public Works Director joined the discussion. Madore thanked Dean Lookingbill and staff for their work in providing jobs, and infrastructure in looking ahead, and the upcoming projects. He stated his support of the organization but stated he does not support bus rapid transit or light rail. Madore stated he was looking forward to the new process regarding the warrants that will be explaining more on how they are spending taxpayer's dollars. Stuart stated it would be great to see further detail on which account the money is coming from.

**PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING THE CONSENT AGENDA**

Margaret Tweet, Camas stated she would like the public comment section before the consent agenda and would like the opportunity to comment on each consent agenda item. She stated her concerns with the RTC agenda online.

***Fire Alarm went off. The Board, staff, and audience left the building and reconvened.***

Tweet stated she would like the CTRAN and the RTC meetings to be televised in the hearing room. She also stated she would like paper copies of the staff reports available the day of the hearing. Madore thanked her for her comments and asked for Bill Barron to bring the issues to board time.

**ACTION:** Moved by Madore to **AMEND** consent agenda item #1 to pay the 2013 membership dues for Regional Transportation Council in quarterly payments. Mielke seconded the motion. Stuart asked for the purpose of the motion. Madore stated to be financially accountable, have leverage, and to even out the cash flow so we don't have large peaks, so they have a smaller, more regular cash flow increments going on there. Mielke stated it was important to have the cash flow and line of credit in the bank especially with the new lean program. Stuart stated he doesn't believe in using the public's resources in this direction and is disturbed by the motion. Madore clarified his motion and stated the reasoning behind the motion. Further discussion ensued. Stuart asked for a different sequence in the future involving the entire board. Madore agreed and stated in this case the invoice needed to be paid prior to the next RTC meeting. Commissioners Madore and Mielke voted aye. Commissioner Stuart voted nay. Motion carried.

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**ACTION:** Moved by Mielke to **APPROVE** consent agenda items #1 as amended and consent agenda #2. Madore seconded the motion. Commissioners Madore and Mielke voted aye. Commissioner Stuart voted nay. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

1. Ron Sworen spoke about express bus service and light rail.
2. Margaret Tweet, Camas commented about a ridership memo she received from CTRAN and also spoke about light rail.
3. Jaison Teragouchi inquired about a recent CTRAN vote. **Commissioner Stuart and Madore explained further.**

**COMMISSIONER COMMUNICATIONS**

Mielke commented about accepting partial payments for property taxes and stated he looked forward to having a conversation with the Board as well as the Treasurer. Madore asked Bill Barron to make this an action item at board time.

Commissioner Madore thanked the staff for streamlining the permit process. The Board thanked Marty Snell, Community Development Director, for his lead in lean program as well as the transportation impact fees. Madore recognized the efficiency of staff in the new process and asked this an action item at Board time. Stuart stated they had upcoming work session on those matters which they can adjust to meet his request.

Hearing Adjourned

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Steve Stuart, Chair



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Tom Mielke, Commissioner



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David Madore, Commissioner

ATTEST:



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Rebecca Tilton, Clerk of the Board

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