



RAILROAD ADVISORY BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, JANUARY 11, 2021

4:00 PM - 5:30 PM

WEBEX ONLINE MEETING

Meeting Call to Order at 4:05 pm	Dan Weaver, Chair
Roll Call / Introductions / Quorum – Quorum present. Participants: Dan Weaver, Eric Fuller, Jim Pearson, John Hansen, John Shaffer, Lloyd Lycan, Randy Williams, Mark Herceg, Jennifer Baker, Kent Cash, Dick Clairmont, Neil Chambers, Rick DeNise, Kathleen Otto, Ahmad Qayoumi, Rob Klug, Tom Grange	Dan Weaver, Chair
Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes – Minutes from December 2020 meeting were accepted and approved without objection.	Dan Weaver, Chair
Communications / Announcements / Citizen Comments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dan would like everyone to be thinking about the work plan for 2021, things to accomplish in the coming year. 	Dan Weaver, Chair
PVJR Activities - No one present representing PVJR	Eric Temple, PVJR
BYCX Activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Focused on steam engine repairs. Installing the boiler tubes will be the last task. It starts the 15-year inspection clock ticking. Would like to be operating for Mother's Day but need to be able to pack people in like cord wood for it to be worth it. Running at 25% capacity doesn't make sense. Hope to operate for the last part of the summer. Eager for the repairs at the s-curve south of Yacolt. 	Randy Williams, BYCX
County Activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> HDR is the consultant for the three state railroad grant projects (Bridge No.12, Bridge No. 20, and Railroad Rehabilitation MP 0.0 – 14.4). The county is currently negotiating contract terms. They may help with repairs south of Yacolt. A new agreement with DNR for vegetation management and maintenance work has been approved by Council, signed by County Manager and sent to DNR at Castle Rock. approval. Larch has a Covid-19 outbreak so there may be a delay in getting them working. Bridge and tunnel inspection reports have been completed. Working to find someone to cover for Will Cahill. The County is looking at options to contract or hire someone. Eric and Amber are gearing up to go after additional state funding. 	Tom Grange, Clark County

<p>Port of Vancouver</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Port of Vancouver office staff (~60 people) will be working from home until 6/21/21. Outside and terminal staff working on-site and taking precautions. 	<p>Kent Cash – Port of Vancouver</p>
<p>New Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Would like someone to lead effort to review and update bylaws. Kent Cash volunteered. Tom to look for and send Kent electronic copy. • CREDC will only be able to participate in an informal capacity because of staffing limitations. Would like to track agenda and provide what support it can. 	<p>Dan Weaver, Chair</p>
<p>Good of the Order</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • John Shaffer – There will be a lot of work to do when the pandemic eases to promote the railroad and find funding. The lawsuit and pandemic have put things on hold. Looking forward to contacting the legislature. • Would like to see implementation of 5517 for the entire length of the railroad. Sharon Wylie may have indicated that it includes sewer. 	<p>Dan Weaver, Chair</p>
<p>Adjourned at 4:33 pm</p>	<p>Dan Weaver, Chair</p>