Clark County Railroad Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes
Monday, March 28, 2022, 4:19pm to 4:47pm
Virtual Meeting via WebEx

**Advisory Board-Present:** Dan Weaver, Eric Fuller, Jim Pearson, John Hansen, John Shaffer, Ken Cash, Neil Chambers, Rick DeNise

**Advisory Board-Not Present:** Dave Nelson, Jennifer Campos, Lloyd Lycan, Mark Herceg

**Clark County Staff and Leadership:** Kevin Tyler, Rocky Houston

**BYCX:** Randy Williams

**Guests:** Dave Rowe, Jackie Lane, Jim Malinowski, Mark Daniels, Nancy Halvorson

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4:19pm Quorum present and meeting called to Order – Dan Weaver

4:22pm February 14, 2022 minutes adopted – note to change format of meeting minutes per Dan Weaver

**BYCX Activities – Randy Williams:**
- Vehicle accident last week at 25.1
  - Several ties damaged and need replacing - within their ability but may be county responsibility to bill driver
  - Car was towed
  - CCSO or WSP responded - Will Pickering (safety) has the police report
  - Kevin received notification from county operations staff and is waiting to hear results
  - Kevin will follow up with Randy offline
  - No serious damage to rails
  - Maybe have West Rail look at it – they looked at a previous accident at same place a couple years ago

- Larch Mountain inmates worked at shop today grinding rust off steam engine and needle gunning between the rivets – steam engine attracts people so trying to get it back online
- Water damage to cab of diesel engine plus electrical issues
- Restaurant across from tracks closed in town
- Impact Auto will put on a one-day fair Monday, May 23 – Randy will get indemnification from county so it’s insured – They also have a clean-up in April and will use the county parking lot for that

**County Activities – Kevin Tyler:**
- **RRB 1230 – 1.4 million grant for track/roadbed rehab work on lower section up to Battle Ground**
  - Working through review of 90% plans, specs, and cost estimates
  - Based on workload of construction managers and inspectors – put out to bid late summer/early fall – have until June next year to finish project – focused on replacement of ties and adding ballast
- **GCB 3592 - 2.7 million grant status (Bridge repair and then more roadbed rehab mostly in northern sections)**
  - Signed by county and state – agreement effective
  - Work on clean-up of books and close out two former grant agreements specific to bridges 20 and 12
Kevin working with project manager on next steps regarding hiring a consultant

- New 500K grant from state
  - WADOT and PVJR - Money identified in recent passing of governor’s supplemental budget allocated to county
  - Kevin doesn’t have info yet, but it is in support of the other two projects (rehab of line)

- Crossing Repairs
  - Hired Exeltech to work on repairs of three signal grade crossings struck by vehicles that are out of service
  - Signals Team found a way to activate warning lights for sides that aren’t damaged to notify traveling public
  - Exeltech performed evaluation of crossings and is putting together a memo with parts, repairs, and labor estimates

- Training Requirements
  - Kevin working on hiring local consultant to help with county training requirements such as updating roadway worker protection plan and part 243 of Code of Federal Regulations – training for people who have safety activity on the rail such as signal maintainers – should go to county manager soon for signature

- Lands Coordinator
  - Finalized hiring process for Lands Coordinator – Denielle Cowley will help Kevin, along with Rocky, with the railroad program – she will be formally introduced at the next meeting

- Bridge 20
  - Randy asked about Bridge 20 – Kevin said the grants were repurposed and the timber bridges will be inspected, repairs determined and repaired in-kind

Unfinished Business – Dan Weaver

- Board vacancy
  - Met with selection committee and reviewed people involved
    - Motion by Kent Cash and second by John Hansen to recommend reappointing John Shaffer, Lloyd Lycan, and Neil Chambers to Clark County Railroad Advisory Board passed unanimously
    - Motion by Neil Chambers and second by John Shaffer to recommend appointing Mark Daniels and Jim Malinowski to Clark County Railroad Advisory Board passed unanimously
    - Still holding position for CREDC – committee chose not to fill until they speak with CREDC to see if they are in position after covid to appoint someone to serve

- Update bylaws
  - Dan briefly reviewed – Kent, John and Dan will wrap up in next couple weeks

Public Comment:
Dave Rowe – Asked if still considered for board position – Dan replied he is not at this time as they have selected to fill the vacancies they have

New Business – Dan Weaver: None

Good of the Order – Dan Weaver: None

4:47pm Meeting Adjourned

Submitted by Chris Walker

Upcoming Meeting:
Date: May 9, 2022 (cancel April due to non-activity)
Time: 4:00pm to 5:30pm
Location: TBD