



Clark County Railroad Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, September 12, 2022, 4:04pm to 4:38pm
Public Service Center, 1300 Franklin St., 6th Floor BOCC
Training Room and virtual via WebEx

Advisory Board-Present: Dan Weaver, Eric Fuller, John Hansen, Lloyd Lycan, Mark Daniels, Neil Chambers, Rick DeNise

Advisory Board-Not Present: Jim Malinowski, Jim Pearson, John Shaffer, Kent Cash, Mark Herceg, Dave Nelson

Clark County Staff and Leadership: Kevin Tyler, Rocky Houston, Denielle Cowley, Kathleen Otto

BYCX: Randy Williams, Doug Auburg

Guests: Dave Rowe

4:04pm Quorum present and meeting called to Order – Dan Weaver

Roll Call – Also included introductions as Kathleen Otto was in attendance

4:18pm July 11, 2022, minutes adopted (Motion by Neil Chambers, Second by John Hansen)

PVJR Car count – continued to increase and Eric is happy with results

BYCX Activities – Randy Williams

- Train robbers - 3rd weekend in August
- Vandalism to caboose – Perps agreed to pay for all damages
- Fire Patrol – One neighbor expressed concerned about operations to Fire Marshal as it can cause sparks – no issues and running diesel engine with new spark arrestor
- Track work – thanked Kevin for getting visibility taken care of – no issues with public crossings – beavers were causing issues and vegetation was cleared
- Halloween weekend will bring full train in

County Activities – Kevin Tyler:

- RRB 1230 – 1.4 million grant for track/roadbed rehab work on lower section up to Battle Ground
 - Bid opening tomorrow at 2pm – will know if bids came in favorable and hope to award a contract to lowest responsive bidder
- GCB 3592 - 2.7 million grant status (Bridge repair and then more roadbed rehab mostly in northern sections)
 - On schedule for October to put RFP out, hire consultant for bridge inspections, load rating, determine necessary repairs to bring up to 286 compliance and also a consultant to help put out bid package for doing priority repairs on wooden bridges, next step is putting out another contract for roadbed rehabilitation on the other end
 - Randy asked about bridge 20 – recommendation is to replace in-kind (rebuild as-is)
- Signal Repairs (72nd Ave, St. Johns and 119th St hit by motor vehicles)

- Contract ready, has been through internal and legal review, contractor reviewing, next step take to council in form of staff
- Filing insurance claims with all vehicle drivers
- OPMA Training Requirements
 - Reminder to complete training and sign certificate

Unfinished Business – Dan Weaver

- Update bylaws, county code and mission statement (Kent Cash)
 - County Code
 - Some concerns expressed by other board members so John, Kent and Dan will meet and come back with commentary
- Agenda subcommittee
 - Gathered info for plan going forward to put together plan for going forward for rest of this year and into next year – will try to wrap up with outline of what they'd like to do and have board approve it – put together action plan

New Business – Dan Weaver

- Washington State Committee Meeting
 - Dave Rowe said the meeting will be over the next two days and he presented a request that we should look at passenger rail in Clark County – three corridors would help passenger rail and increase freight rail, in addition to building the interstate bridge, rail goes from Vancouver to Portland in 15 minutes – Passenger rail would include speed and could help with climate change (tires being an issue) – Dave put together a statement (attached with agenda) that he will present at the meeting
 - Dan said Dave should be involved with agenda sub-committee to put together a formal presentation – a ways off for development but could be included for long range program – Dave willing to be on agenda sub-committee

Public Comment – Dan Weaver: None

Good of the Order – Dan Weaver: Randy is concerned about neighbors doing work in the right-of-way – Kevin mentioned the neighbors have been informed they cannot work in the right-of-way

4:38pm Meeting Adjourned

Submitted by Chris Walker

Upcoming Meeting:

Date: October 10, 2022

Time: 4:00pm to 5:30pm

Location: Public Service Center, 1300 Franklin St., 6th Floor BOCC Training Room and virtual via WebEx