



# Clark County Railroad Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, May 8, 2023, 4:01pm to 4:59pm  
Public Service Center, 1300 Franklin St., 6<sup>th</sup> Floor BOCC  
Training Room and virtual via WebEx

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**Advisory Board-Present:** Dan Weaver, Gregg Smith, Jim Malinowski, Jim Pearson, John Hansen, John Shaffer, Kent Cash, Mark Daniels, Neil Chambers, Zack Keith

**Advisory Board-Not Present:** Chad Eiken (Interim, City of Vancouver), Eric Fuller, Lloyd Lycan, Mark Herceg

**Clark County Staff and Leadership:** Kevin Tyler, Denielle Cowley, Glen Yung

**BYCX:** Doug Auburg

**PVJR:** Nathan Bruce

**Guests:** Dan Robinson, Dave Rowe, John Jagelski, Karissa Halstrom, Kimberley O'Hara, Marvin Mathison, Michael O'Connell, Nancy Halvorson, Rick Jones (one person on sign-in sheet cannot read name)

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**4:01pm** Quorum present and meeting called to Order – Dan Weaver

**4:04pm** April 10, 2023, minutes adopted (Motion by Kent Cash, Second by John Shaffer)

## Comments from the Chair

- Dan Weaver has a new email

## PVJR – Nathan Bruce

- Construction wrapped up
- Record month in April
- Newer commodities coming in and DeWitt, a previous customer, brought in about 20 cars
- Tax credit bill held up due to structure
- Contacted by bridge inspection company to start on bridge 12 and hopefully bridge 6
- Multiple projects on back burner, waiting for county attorney to get back to them on some issues

## BYCX Activities – Doug Auburg

- Not much progress on new building
- Won't run until Father's Day due to cracked cylinder liner on locomotive
- One section of track by Moulton needs to be fixed

## County Activities – Kevin Tyler:

- GCB 3592 - \$2.7 million grant status (Bridge repair and then more roadbed rehab mostly in northern sections)
  - OTAK bridge work is underway
  - Request for proposals to help with roadbed rehab going out for advertisement this week

- Will package money from 3592 with money for 1249
- GCB 1249 - \$500k grant from State of Washington
  - Money being packaged with money from 3592
- Bridge Inspections and Bridge Management Program
  - Under contract with KPFF to help with annual inspections, updating bridge management plan and working on safe load rating analysis of bridges other than 18 and 20
  - Scheduling bridge inspections for July so working with WADOT and county to get lane closures and traffic control plans in place
  - Kevin will check with project manager on timeline for work starting on north end – hopes to be out to bid and out to construction next year when the weather is right

#### **Unfinished Business – Dan Weaver**

- RRAB bylaws – Dan will send out and hopefully get finalized soon
- RRAB County Code Change
  - **4:30pm** - Motion to recommend Council adopt changes to county code (Motion by John Shaffer, Second by Neil Chambers)
  - Kevin will check on next steps
- Freight Rail Dependent Use (FRDU) and Senate Bill SB 5517
  - Work session scheduled for May 17 – Kevin reached out to Community Planning and they would be willing to attend an upcoming meeting to discuss and answer questions related to FRDU – Kevin will send link to Community Planning website if anyone wants to look
  - Kevin sent a follow-up email on Tuesday, May 9. Community Planning has not finalized presentation materials and when available will be posted to: <https://clark.wa.gov/councilors/clark-county-council-meetings>

#### **New Business – Dan Weaver: None**

#### **Public Comment – Dan Weaver**

- Kimberley O’Hara – In regards to FRDU she suggested it’s important to re-look at the situation with fresh eyes as things have changed

#### **Good of the Order – Dan Weaver: None**

**4:59pm** Meeting Adjourned

Submitted by Chris Walker

#### **Upcoming Meeting:**

**Date:** June 12, 2023

**Time:** 4:00pm to 5:30pm

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