

Clark County Railroad Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, September 9, 2024, 4:04pm to 5:34pm Public Works Operations Center4700 NE 78th St. Conference Room B1, and virtual via Microsoft Teams

Advisory Board-Present: Dan Weaver, Dave Rowe, Gregg Smith, Jim Malinowski, Jim Pearson, John Hansen, John Shaffer, Mark Herceg, Neil Chambers, Zack Keith

Advisory Board-Not Present: Eric Fuller, Mark Daniels

Clark County Staff and Leadership: Denielle Cowley, Glen Yung, Jordan Boege, Kevin McDowell, Sue Marshall

Battle Ground, Yacolt, Chelatchie Prairie Railroad (BYCX): Randy Williams

Portland Vancouver Junction Railroad (PVJR): None Present

Guests: Carol Levanen (CCCU), James McRae, Jerry Jacobus, Kim O'Hara, Marvin Mathison, Michael O'Connell, Susan Rasmussen, Terry Gardner (Town of Yacolt)

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

4:05pm August 12, 2024, minutes adopted (Motion by Neil Chambers, Second by Dave Rowe)

Comments from the Chair - None

Portland Vancouver Junction Railroad (PVJR) - None Present

Battle Ground, Yacolt, Chelatchie Prairie Railroad (BYCX) - Randy Williams

- On fire patrol due to fire season
- Railworks is going to using their yard for supplies that will be delivered
- Restoration happening on bridge 25

County Activities - Denielle Cowley

- Bridge Repairs Project Update
 - Railworks will begin mobilization September 13th, with construction starting the following week they plan to work 10 hr. days, Monday through Saturday, and work window is extended to October 15th
- Railroad Roadbed Rehabilitation Project Update
 - No update
- Member Appointments
 - Dave Rowe has been appointed to the railroad board
 - Terry Gardner, Dave Miller, and Jerry Jacobus should be on the September 17th agenda with council for approval

 After that new members will have Open Public Meetings Act training – Denielle will check on how often that training needs to happen

Unfinished Business - Dan Weaver

- Overlay Discussion about county having a public meeting and taking public comment, and comment regarding the Growth Management Act
- Open House/Presentation
 - o Putting a hold on this but will keep accumulating information
- Property North of Battle Ground
 - Carol Levanen and Susan Rasmussen talked about properties in North County and why the railroad would be a benefit
- New Business Dan Weaver
 - None
- Public Comment Dan Weaver
 - o None

Good of the Order - Dan Weaver

• Dave Rowe asked if north county would support a passenger train – they do but Dan said passenger train is far down on the agenda

5:34pm Meeting Adjourned

Submitted by Chris Walker

Upcoming Meeting:

Date: October 14, 2024 Time: 4:00pm to 5:30pm

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