



Board Meeting Minutes

December 13, 2017

Commenced 2:05 pm

Board Members present in person:

Trip Hart – President, Westside Citizen at Large Representative

Troy Couch – Enumclaw Chamber

Cheryl Marshall – Recreation User Groups

Thomas Noyes – Washington State Department of Transportation

Guests:

Curt Warber – Parametrix

Attempted phone in, but conferencing not functioning:

Danielle Surkatty – Secretary/Treasurer, Eastside Citizen at Large Representative

Chamber of Commerce Board Retreat:

Troy spoke of the goals and lobbying efforts to City Council and DOT that the Chamber hopes to accomplish over the coming year. Darrel Dickson is also on this board.

Troy is the director of the city's newly formed Tourism Advisory Board, that will be making recommendations to the City Council. He recently spoke with Councilmember Anthony Wright, who was very positive of this new tourism entity.

The Tourism Advisory Board is a requirement when collecting lodging tax through the Department of Revenue, and the lodging tax can be a piece of their budget. Steven and Vivian Cadematori helped to restructure this group, and it is being revamped with a new team. The website is being reworked, on a scaled-down model.

CSB Portal Sign:

With the need to form a committee and find a project manager, Troy, Cheryl and Trip agreed to be part of this committee. Trip was to touch base with Darrel and Steven with regard to participating in this project and being project managers.

Corridor Management Plan

Curt reported on Chapter 1 of the Corridor Master Plan, and how its intent was to more frame the question then set forth what everyone's intentions are. We are struggling with our stated purposes, and are activities need to be better formulated. Our potential capital improvements can be worthwhile, and hopefully will be partnership based with federal land's entities and WSDOT. Other pieces could include different federal agencies that have been reengaged in byway activities. We need to find a reason to have them committed to our byway organization.

Regarding budgets, there was discussion of the potential increased fee for park entrances, and what capital monies would be needed to rebuild the campgrounds lost on the east side, particularly those at Bumping Lake.

The final modifications to the book have been given to Curt, but we discussed how it can be most useful. It is really the people around our own table that need this book, to keep us focused, to guide us and encourage us to further improvements to the byway and our own organization. Facilitating these discussions, it is a greater opportunity to bring in Eastside folks, particularly the Nile Valley group. There is a new manager at the Gold Creek Restaurant, and Cheryl will attempt to contact that person. For Whistling Jack's, Doug's nephew has taken over management. We briefly discussed distribution of the book to the Parks, State and Federal entities.

There was a brief discussion on the Yakima Basin Plan, and future warming trends with less water. What would be the strategies for irrigation water, and dam management.

SR 410 Bridge over White River:

There has been a 10 month study for the potential new bridge over the White River. Enumclaw Councilmember Kim Lauck has been working on this project. One problematic issue are the trestles existing within the river, and should they be removed or kept for this trail over the river. The lights in Buckley are being synchronized by the summer/fall of 2018, so that should help traffic. The whole question is whether or not this bridge would ever be four lanes, to accommodate potential four lanes of travel on either side of the river. Thomas thought that would be highly unlikely into the next 20/40 years. This does not really impact us, as tourism traffic issues are different than peak traffic concerns.

Respectfully submitted,

Trip Hart