

**Minutes – REGULAR MEETING**  
**LEWIS CLARK VALLEY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION**

**Tuesday, March 9, 2010 – 2:00 p.m.**

**Second Floor Meeting Room – Bell Building – 215 D Street – Lewiston ID**

Policy Board Members: City of Asotin – Mervin Schneider; Nez Perce County – Doug Zenner; City of Lewiston – Dennis Ohrtman, Kevin Poole; Asotin County – Doug Mattoon, Joel Ristau, City of Clarkston – Kathleen Warren

Director: Steven Watson

Guests: Sandi Hagemann, Dawn Ristau, Deb Smith, Rich Eggleston

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m.

Mr. Zenner announced the need to amend the agenda to add item d, Human Services Transportation Plan update.

Mr. Ohrtman made a motion to amend the agenda to add item d; second by Mr. Ristau. Motion approved unanimously.

**II. CITIZEN COMMENTS**

*Please limit your comments to three minutes out of consideration for others wishing to speak.*

Mr. Rich Eggleston advised the Board he had comments on an agenda item. He was invited to make those remarks at that time.

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF February 9, 2010**

Mr. Schneider made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 9, 2010, meeting; second by Ms. Warren. Motion approved unanimously.

**IV. ACTIVE AGENDA**

- a. **Approval of Bills** – *Project Engineering Consultants (Travel Demand Model) \$3,239.60;*

Mr. Watson reviewed the billing from Project Engineering consultants for work on the travel demand model. Mr. Watson advised the model will be installed March 10 and made available to all member agencies.

Mr. Ristau made a motion to approve the billing from Project Engineering Consultants as presented; second by Mr. Poole. Motion approved unanimously.

- b. **Washington STP Fund Request** - *Asotin County request for consideration of use of STP Urban funding (up to \$500,000) on the rural 10 Mile Bridge Project. – Action Requested*

Mr. Ristau presented a request from Asotin County to use up to \$500,000 of STP (Urban) funds for the Ten Mile Bridge project. The bridge is functionally obsolete and needs to be replaced, as do the approaches. Right of way has been acquired and the design nearly complete. The project has been underway since 2002 and has been delayed by a number of unforeseen circumstances. Mr. Ristau reviewed the funding strategy, noting the urban funds would be the last used in the project. Any unused urban funds would be released back to the urban area for other projects.

Mr. Rich Eggleston, owner of property adjacent to the project spoke in opposition to the request. Mr. Eggleston reviewed a number of alternatives for alignment and bridge design. He requested the Board not fund the project.

Mr. Ristau commented he stood by the design as currently planned. Mr. Mattoon advised the Board that the Board of County Commissioners had made a policy decision to accept the design.

Mr. Mattoon made a motion to authorize up to \$500,000 of STP (Urban) funds for use by the Ten Mile Bridge project; second by Mr. Poole. Motion approved unanimously.

- c. **Lewiston Safe Routes to Schools Grant Request** – *Request from City of Lewiston for support of Safe Routes to Schools grant application;*

Sandi Hagemann and Dawn Ristau of the City of Lewiston presented two funding request for Safe Routes to Schools projects. The two schools are Centennial and McSorley elementary schools. Education and encouragement are included in both grants with capital included in the Centennial project.

Ms. Warren made a motion to authorize the Director to sign the grant applications on behalf of the MPO; second by Mr. Ristau. Motion approved unanimously.

- d. **Human Services Transportation Plan Update** – *Authorization for Director to execute contract with Nelson/Nygaard;*

Mr. Watson advised that Nelson/Nygaard had been selected to complete the required update and requested authorization to execute the contract on behalf of the MPO.

Mr. Poole made a motion to authorize the Director to execute a contract with Nelson/Nygaard for the update to the Human Services Transportation Plan; second by Mr. Mattoon. Motion approved unanimously.

- e. **Project updates** – *general update on on-going projects;*

Mr. Watson advised the Board that preliminary data is being analyzed for the origin-destination survey for the Downtown Corridor project. An open house will take place in April. Interviews for the System Preservation BMP will take place in late March.

- f. **Joint Projects** – *Discussion of projects that are jointly funded by member agencies.*

No discussion.

## V. BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS AND DIRECTION TO STAFF

Mr. Zenner requested the Technical Advisory Committee look into the importance of the airport as a link in the transportation system.

## VI. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS RELATIVE TO THE MPO

None.

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted



Steven M Watson  
Director  
March 16, 2010