

KITTITAS COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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BOARD OF KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

STUDY SESSION MINUTES

October 20, 2003

THOSE PRESENT: Perry Huston, Paul Bennett, Kelly Carlson

CANYON ROAD PROJECT- Paul stated that we had submitted the 4F form for this project and it had gone through the FHWA and then onto San Francisco for an attorney (FHWA Atty.) to review. This attorney could not understand why we had filled out the 4F, but said that since we did there needed to be more information included with the form. He was suggesting we look at more alternatives for the location for the new Canyon Road. Perry suggested putting some political "heat" on this attorney by contacting Doc Hastings. Paul asked for a week to consider the alternatives but feels that congressional intervention may be the solution.

BOARD DIRECTION: No direction, just wait for a week for Paul to do some research and then he will report back to the BOCC.

SCHOOL BUS TURNAROUNDS: Paul stated that there are some citizens that are having a change of heart as to letting the school buses turn around in their driveways. Since this is becoming a problem in a few different areas, the Public Works has done some research on signing and developing new turnarounds in those areas. The two areas where a turnaround would need to be constructed would be Weaver Road and Klocke Road. Perry stressed that Paul be sensitive to the amount of staff time spent on this.

BOARD DIRECTION: Set Public Hearing to consider amending the code for these changes on November 4, 2003. Also, put as an agenda topic for the October 27th study session.

TRANSITION ROAD UPDATE- Paul stated that we had picked on Maintenance District to research. On November 17, he would like to set aside the whole study session to discuss his findings on this one maintenance district. He would like to get some direction on where we want these roads to go and come up with a trigger of some sort as to when to make a road a on-system road. Paul & Perry discussed what triggers could be used for this and the impacts if we did assume ownership of some of these roads.

BOARD DIRECTION: Perry directed Paul to stick with the facts on how we evaluate prospective on system roads and more importantly establish ownership.

OPEN HOUSE FEEDBACK - Paul stated that he had received a lot of good feedback from the open houses, and that he is getting more supportive feedback from the public.

BOARD DIRECTION: No Board Direction.

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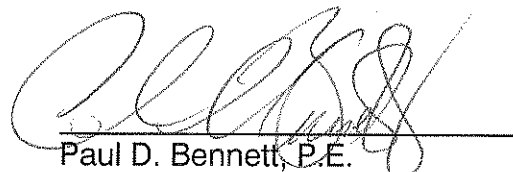
CRAB VISIT: Paul stated that CRAB will be here on Nov. 12 for their yearly visit to ensure compliance. They usually like to visit with the BOCC also. Paul directed Kelly to set up a meeting at 1:30 if possible on that date with the BOCC and CRAB.

BOARD DIRECTION: Perry approved meeting with CRAB.

WHITE ROAD PAVING: Paul stated that he had sent a letter to Copenhaver & Columbia Asphalt stating that unless they can give us a better alternative, they will have to start all over with the paving.

BOARD DIRECTION: No Board Direction.

Adjourned at 2:15



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