REQUEST TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION TO PROHIBIT FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION TRUCK CLASSES FOUR (4) AND ABOVE ON FOWLER CREEK ROAD (MP 8) TO THE END OF PASCO ROAD FROM APRIL 9, 2018 ENDING JUNE 18, 2018

At 1:33 pm Chairman Laura Osiadacz opened the Public Works Study Session. Mark Cook requested to add one item to the agenda under Other Business - MS4 Permit Update.

Mark Cook presented a Resolution to Prohibit Federal Highway Administration Truck Classes Four (4) and Above on Fowler Creek Road (MP 8) to the end of Pasco Road from April 9, 2018 ending June 18, 2018. Mark Cook stated that due to rapid thawing the roadway is experiencing heaving in places and is at risk for sizable damage if the restrictions are not placed. Commissioner Jewell inquired as to the amount of residents on the road and if there will be any impacts to them and if notification letters will be sent. Mark Cook replied that a physical posting was to be done but not notification letters. Further discussion was held. Two (2) members of the public commented on the topic. Commissioner Jewell made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-062 to Prohibit Federal Highway Administration Class Four (4) and Above on Fowler Creek Road (MP 8) to the end of Pasco Road from April 9, 2018 to June 18, 2018 with the Resolution amended to read April 11, 2018 to allow sufficient notice to the residents in the area. Commissioner O’Brien seconded said motion. Motion carried 3-0. Further direction was given to staff to bring forward a draft process for discussion.
MARK COOK GAVE BACKGROUND ON PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS HELD REGARDING THE INCREASE IN TRUCK TRAFFIC AND WEEKEND TRAFFIC BYPASSING I-90 BY USING COUNTY ROADS SPECIFICALLY IN UPPER COUNTY. MARK COOK CONTINUED THAT HE DRAFTED A RESOLUTION FOR BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONER REVIEW AND SENT THE RESOLUTION OVER FOR LEGAL OPINION. MARK COOK ADDED THAT THE RESOLUTION DOES INCLUDE THE NEED OF OCCASIONAL TRAVEL ON SAID ROADS FOR LOCAL DELIVERIES IF NECESSARY. DISCUSSION WAS HELD. STAFF WAS DIRECTED TO CORRECT THE TYPOS, SEND A DRAFT TO THE WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND WASHINGTON STATE PATROL FOR REVIEW PRIOR TO SUBMITTING ON THE MAY 1ST AGENDA FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION.

MARK COOK STATED THAT CURRENTLY STAFF IS WORKING ON GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR BOWERS FIELD SPECIFICALLY THE PAVEMENT BREAK PROJECT. MARK COOK CONTINUED THAT IN THIS PROCESS THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION (FAA) REQUIRES A CURRENT DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE) POLICY FOR BOWERS FIELD. MARK COOK ADDED THE CURRENT DBE POLICY NEEDS TO BE UPDATED TO THE NEW TEMPLATE PROVIDED BY FAA AND AFTER INITIAL REVIEW STAFF FELT THAT LEGAL REVIEW WAS APPROPRIATE BEFORE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONER APPROVAL. DISCUSSION WAS HELD. NO DIRECTION WAS GIVEN.

MARK COOK STATED THAT KITTITAS COUNTY RECENTLY ACQUIRED REAL ESTATE IN UPPER KITTITAS COUNTY AND HAS SINCE RECEIVED CORRESPONDENCE FROM A LOCAL RESIDENT PROPOSING A POTENTIAL LAND SWAP. MARK COOK CONTINUED THAT INITIAL CONVERSATIONS WITH THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (BOCC) PROMPTED A RESPONSE REJECTING THE PROPOSAL AND AFTER RECEIVING FURTHER CORRESPONDENCE ASKING THE BOCC TO RECONSIDER, A SITE VISIT OF THE PROPERTY WAS CONDUCTED BY MARK COOK AND COMMISSIONER OSIADACZ. DISCUSSION WAS HELD REGARDING THE CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY AND THREE (3) EASEMENTS THAT AFFECT THE PROPERTY. MARK COOK PRESENTED A LETTER TO THE LOCAL RESIDENT DECLINING THE OFFER. DISCUSSION WAS HELD. COMMISSIONER O'BRIEN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE LETTER AS WRITTEN WITH COMMISSIONER JEWELL SECONDING THE MOTION. THE BOARD EXPRESSED APPRECIATION TO STAFF FOR THEIR WORK ON THIS ISSUE. MOTION PASSED 3-0.
OTHER BUSINESS

MS4 PERMIT UPDATE

Mark Cook commented that at the last study session he provided background information on the MS4 stormwater permit from the Department of Ecology (DOE). Mark Cook continued that he had a meeting with DOE last Thursday and Kittitas County met only one (1) of the nominating criteria for the potential of being subjected to the permitting process. The final decision will be made by the local authority of DOE. Discussion was held. No direction was given.

Meeting adjourned at 2:17 pm

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