

**Minutes of Meeting  
December 6th, 2018, 9:00 AM  
Oregon Department of Transportation  
3012 Island Avenue  
La Grande, Oregon**

**Members and Alternates present:**

Karen Pettigrew, Robert Strope, Doug Wright, Susan Roberts, Dennis Sands, Tom Fellows, , Mavis Hart, Dan Lonai, Ken Patterson , JD Tovey Andrea Weckmueller-Behringer, Tim Patton, Matt Scrivner, Aaron Palmquist, Kyle Carpenter, Angie Peters,

**Guests present:**

Tim Simmons, Shae Talley, Justin Walker, Tom Wallace

**ODOT Staff:**

Mike Barry, Craig Sipp, Sheri Folsom

**Opening Meeting:**

- Chairman Susan Roberts called the meeting to order
- Roll call of voting members – Quorum present
- Introductions: N/A
- Announcements: Ken Patterson announced Commissioner Steve McClure's retirement party at 3pm and also gave acknowledgement of his many years of faithful service. Ken presented the plaque to the members that he will be presenting to Commissioner McClure.

**Public and/or Stakeholders Comments:** If Any: N/A

**Standing Items & Reports:**

- Approval of the October 25th, 2018 Minutes Matt Scrivner moved and Tom Fellows seconded; minutes unanimously approved.
- OTC/ODOT Updates – Ken Patterson – Craig Sipp
  - OTC/ODOT Update:
    - Craig Sipp announced the new Highway Administrator, Kristopher Strickler.
    - ODOT is headed into their Winter Operations. This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> year that the Tow Plows will be used.
    - The Salt Program is continuing with good results.

OTC

- Primary Focus – Safety and Workzone Fatalities.
  - a) R5 – I84 Safety Project: Includes more signage from La Grande to Pendleton, along with new VMS Boards to be installed. Work to be done in the chain up areas to promote safety, snow fencing from La Grande to Ontario.

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- b) Separate maintenance project: Enhanced delineation
  - c) Addition of 2 new Speedback trailers which will be able to be moved between Districts for use.
  - d) A Workzone Safety Committee was formed
  - e) Pilot Project: Poverty Flats – Meacham Mobility. Wide loads use the chain-up area to park and call Contractor. Contractor will move equipment and advise when it is safe to proceed thru the construction area.
  - f) Added a STIP project – US20/201 Vale to I84. Rubberized Chip Seal project which is a pilot program.
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- Local Program & JTA Update – Mike Barry
    - Special City Allotment Program: 15 cities have received \$100k each
    - Fund Exchanges: Closing out this years invoices.
    - JTA'S: Port of Morrow – Completed \$10M  
Pendleton – Closing out
  
    - Local Program: City of Hermiston – Bike path is complete  
Cove – Sidewalk project is complete
  
    - ARTS: La Grande is signed, Grant, Umatilla and Morrow counties have projects.
    - IOF: CTUIR is continuing  
Hillmeat – Pendleton Closed  
Umatilla Co. – Has a new program  
6<sup>th</sup> Street – Umatilla Advanced Plans
  
  - Regional Solution Team (RST) Update – Ken Patterson
    - 3 cities received infrastructure funding: Baker City, Joseph and Pendleton Airport
    - Nyssa reload facility: Progress is on track. 3<sup>rd</sup> party will review and send to OTC in January 2019.
  
  - 15-18 STIP Enhance Accounting Report - Ken Patterson
    - Enhance Qtly Report – No change. The philosophy is for projects to be balanced before going to bid.
    - \$900k Enhance balance- will be used to help with overrun on Enhance construction projects. Reallocation of funds will be a joint ACT decision.
  
  - 21-24 STIP Process Update - Ken Patterson
  
  - Reviewed the attached spreadsheet



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➤ **Old Business:**

- STIF Application Update – N/A

➤ **New Business:**

**Canyon Creek Project – Paul Kennington and Christian Jilek**

- Canyon Creek Fire, 2015 burned 110,261 acres. The fire was active for 85 days.
- 143 Homes & outbuildings destroyed. US395 closed due to smoke, trees on the highway.



**Oregon State Park ATV Program**

- Many towns in Oregon have ordinances allowing ATV use
- City and County have authority over their roads, NOT state highways
- Baker, Grant, Lake and Umatilla all have ordinances allowing use on certain roads
- ATVs on State Highways, ODOT is the road authority even in city limits
- SB 344 allows crossing highways at an intersection or a place that is more than 100 feet from any highway intersection



State Park ATV  
Plan.pptx

**Partner Updates – All**

- County/Cities Roundtables:N/A
- By-ways Update: N/A
- LOC/AOC Update: N/A.
- Transit Update: There were 19 total STIF Plans received by Rail and Public Transit Division. Of those, 9 came from Qualified Entities in Region 5.
- Bike/Ped Update: N/A
- Freight Update: N/A
- CTUIR Update: N/A.
- MPO Update: Annual documents are finished

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**NEXT Meeting:**

February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Region 5 ODOT Headquarters

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