

North Coast Regional Solutions Advisory Committee Meeting

December 16, 2016

Phone Meeting

10:00am to 10:20am

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

10:00am

Welcome and Introductions – Senator Johnson

10:05 to 10:10am – Discussion about Progress on the Southern Flow Corridor Project

Commissioner Mark Labhart discussed recent unanticipated costs associated with the project and referenced his December 1 letter requesting an additional \$100,000 in funds from the committee.

Commissioner Labhart then indicated that he was withdrawing the request because of generous commitments received from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation and Business Oregon's IFA brownfields program that will cover these costs. The committee discussed the recent ribbon cutting for the project and Senator Johnson singled out Chad Allen for his leadership, indicating that he has taken people to places on the project that he didn't want to go himself.

10:10 to 10:15am – Discussion about Progress on the Rainier Rail Safety Project

Commissioner Tony Hyde discussed the rail safety project and the importance of providing a safe downtown corridor for this community where the railroad bisects the town's main street.

Commissioner Hyde indicated that the Regional Solutions team had recently brought on Lynn Schoessler, former deputy director of Business Oregon, as a consultant to help with the community's portion of the project. Lynn's work will focus on helping the community manage the utility and parking improvements that they will undertake in association with the project. A proposed allocation of \$60,000 will pay for Lynn Schoessler's work and also provide funds for engineering work and other initial project costs.

10:15 – Public Testimony

There was no public testimony

10:15 to 10:20pm - ACTION – Re-allocation of a Portion of Unspent Regional Solutions Dollars

Paul Langner made a motion to allocate \$60,000 in unspent regional solutions dollars to the Rainier Rail Safety Project and that the remaining \$100,000 of unspent funds be retained and marked as unallocated and saved for future use. Mayor Suzanne Webber seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and included Kurt Englund's proxy vote by email in support of the committee's action.

Senator Johnson then discussed the legacy of advisory committee member and Seaside Mayor Don Larson, who passed away on December 11, and had the committee pause for a moment of silence to reflect on his service and passing.

10:20pm – Senator Johnson Adjourned the meeting

Meeting Attendance

Advisory Committee Members Participating by Phone

Betsy Johnson, State Senator, District 16 and Governor's Convener for the Advisory Committee and Team
Tony Hyde, Columbia County Commissioner
Paul Langner, Teevin Brothers
Suzanne Weber, Mayor, City of Tillamook
Mark Labhart, Tillamook County Commissioner

Advisory Committee Members Excused

Hal Snow, Esquire, Snow & Snow, Astoria
Kurt Englund, Englund Marine & Industrial Supply Co., Inc. (provided written concurrence with the motion)

Advisory Committee Ex Officio Members Participating by Phone

Mary McArthur, Executive Director Col-Pac

Regional Solutions Team Members Participating by Phone

Mark Ellsworth, Governor's Office, Regional Solutions Coordinator
Dennie Houle, Business Oregon, Business Development Officer

Visitors Participating by Phone

Ali Mayeda, Office of Representative Suzanne Bonamici