

COLE COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE ADVISORY BOARD

February 25, 2016 Meeting Minutes

MEMBERS PRESENT

Kris Scheperle, Roger Steenberg, Jay Jordan, Don Hillis, James Wunderlich

MEMBERS ABSENT

Mike Wyss, Greg Bowman

STAFF PRESENT

Larry Benz, Eric Landwehr, John Wheeler, Larry Bishop, Keri Hale

GUESTS PRESENT

Roger Schwartze

Eric Landwehr opened the meeting at 8:00 a.m.

MEETING MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 18, 2015

Motion to approve the minutes was made by James Wunderlich and seconded by Jay Jordan. Motion passed unanimously.

PROJECT STATUS REPORT

Mr. Landwehr presented the project status report (Revised: February 2016). A copy of the report was given to the members present.

ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON

The Board reappointed Jay Jordan to serve as Chairperson for 2016 year, all were in favor.

BYLAW REVIEW & COMMITTEE MEMBER TERMS

Mr. Landwehr presented the bylaws for the advisory board along with minor revisions made to Section B, term of office for members. A copy of the bylaws was given to each member. The bylaws indicate a regular member term of office shall be three (3) years with one-third of the positions being available for appointment each year. Mr. Landwehr introduced Don Hillis and John Wheeler to the Board as the new members for the 2016 year.

Mr. Landwehr stated the term memberships will be monitored closer in future. He gave a recommendation for the member term expiration dates to be as follows: Jay Jordan and Roger Steenburgen on December 31, 2016, Mike Wyss and James Wunderlich on December 31, 2017, Greg Bowman and Don Hillis on December 31, 2018. All were in favor of the recommendation.

Don Hillis made a motion to approve the revisions to the bylaws and to submit them to the County Commission for final approval. James Wunderlich seconded the motion.

UPGRADE GRAVEL ROAD POLICY REVIEW

Mr. Landwehr stated a goal for the board is to update the Gravel Road Upgrade Policy by the end of year. A copy of the policy was given to the members present. He asked the board to review and be prepared to begin making revisions at the next meeting.

Mr. Landwehr shared the need to update the Thoroughfare Safety Improvements in near future also, as the current version is from 1986.

2017-2021 SALES TAX PROJECT PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION

Mr. Landwehr introduced Roger Schwartze, Chairperson for Improve Cole County Committee, to the board. Mr. Schwartze showed a video presentation in favor of the 2017-2021 Sales Tax Project. The presentation included several improvements made in the County with the ½ cent sales tax over the past thirty years, as well as future plans if the ½ cent sales tax passes this year. Mr. Schwartze stated the Committee has a website at ImproveColeCounty.com and should be able to view the presentation there soon. He has 22 sales tax presentations scheduled for the month of March, some radio time and limited television appearances. Mr. Schwartze encouraged everyone to get out and vote on Tuesday, April 5, 2016.

Róger Steenbergen made a motion to adjourn meeting at 9:07 a.m.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Larry Benz", is written over a horizontal line.

Larry Benz, P.E.

Director

Public Works Department