



Mason County Transportation Improvement Program Citizen Advisory Panel (TIP-CAP)

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: September 13, 2023, 4:30 -5:18 p.m.
Location: Mason County Public Works,
100 W Public Works Drive, Shelton, WA 98584

Attendance Roster

<u>TIP-CAP Members</u>	<u>Yes/No/Excused</u>	<u>Public Works Staff</u>
Philip Wolff, Dist. 1 Rural--Chair	Y	Dave Smith
Tim Lincoln, Dist. 1 Rural	Y	Amy Braakman
Vacant, Dist. 1 Belfair/Allyn UGA	E	
Amy Asher, Dist. 2 Rural	Y	
Vacant, Dist. 2 Hoodspoint or Union RACs	E	
Vacant, Dist. 2 Rural	E	
Don Pogreba, Dist. 3 Rural--Co-Chair	Y	
Vacant Dist. 3 Rural	E	
Blair Schirman, Dist. 3 UGA City	Y	

Agenda Item 1. – Roll Call

- The meeting was called to order and roll call was taken- a quorum was achieved.

Agenda Item 2. – Welcome and Introductions

- Earl Lincoln, Lincoln Construction, joined us for the meeting.

Agenda Item 3. – Minutes and Agenda; Review and Adopt

a. Review and adopt the August 9, 2023, minutes:

Motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes as written - motion carries.

b. Approval of the agenda:

Motion was made and seconded to accept the agenda as presented- motion carries.

Agenda Item 4. – Action Items

a. Finalize recommendation for the 2024 - 2029 6 Year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and the 2024 Annual Construction Program.

Dave took the opportunity to point out a few projects on the TIP that stood out to him:

- Gravel road conversions
- Tahuya Post Office Bridge
- Toonerville Bridge

Phil asked if there were any updates for the Freight Corridor, as the connector roads are on the TIP.

Dave said there was nothing new to report.

Tim was glad to see that the Tahuya Blacksmith was on the list for gravel conversions, as he used that road because it was the only way out because North Shore was closed.

Dave agreed and noted that the Burma Road is also set to be chip sealed.

Blair asked about the SR 3/Johns Prairie intersection.

Dave let him know that we are still studying the issue. The questions are how much to do at this time and how much to put off for later. What we would like to do is get DOT involved as half the work will be on the State Highway.

Blair also asked about the Skok Valley Road reconstruction. He was wondering if it's the part that goes underwater at the end.

Dave said Mason Conservation District is trying to put in a bridge to allow water to go into some old river channels in that area. That is a Conservation District project where we are just a participant.

Motion was made and seconded to accept the 6 Year TIP and Annual Construction Programs as presented- motion carries.

Agenda Item 5. - Mason County Reports

N/A

Agenda Item 6. Member Reports

Phil shared some pictures from several road projects that had been going on:

- *Old Belfair HWY*
- *Homestead Drive*
- *Lakeland Drive*

Phil asked Dave if we were able to do these paving projects because there is less diversion. Dave agreed and said the pavement for Homestead and Lakeland Drive was the original pavement and was in bad shape. We were able to recapture the diversion funds and put it to good use for these roads.

- *Guardrail photo from Grapeview Loop Road*

Dave let know everyone that we finished all 21 county-wide guardrail repairs. He also noted that it is an ongoing battle with guardrail repairs, so we keep a running total and then get a contractor to make the repairs.

- *DOT announcement regarding left turn restriction and reduced speed limit in Belfair.*

DOT will be restricting turning left onto SR 3 from Ridgepoint Drive. Panel had discussion on traffic impacts from the new apartments/development and whether this is a viable solution.

- *Picture of Sign (Thurston County) for upcoming project that names the project, time project will start and shows funding information.*

Don says the key to these signs is to not to put too much information on them, otherwise nobody could read them.

- *Next Door positive review for Public Works for the work done on Old Belfair HWY.*

Amy reported that there are no big Mason County Transit projects this year, but they will be receiving 8 big new buses in late January/February 2024. She also said the transit center in Belfair is now fully functioning and up and running.

Phil announced that he and Don are planning on attending the September 26th Commissioner Meeting Hearing for the 6 Year TIP and Annual to show support.

Agenda Item 7.

The meeting adjourned at 5:18 p.m.