



**BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
JANUARY 25, 2010
MERIDIAN CITY HALL
33 E. BROADWAY AVENUE, MERIDIAN, IDAHO**

****MINUTES****

Attendees: Kathy Alder, Commissioner, Canyon County
 Rebecca Arnold, Commissioner, Ada County Highway District
 Phil Bandy, Mayor, City of Eagle
 Dave Bieter, Mayor, City of Boise, **Chair**
 Keith Bird, Councilman, City of Meridian
 Vernon Bisterfeldt, Councilman, City of Boise
 Elaine Clegg, Councilwoman, City of Boise
 Tom Dale, Mayor, City of Nampa
 Russell Duke, Central District Health, Ex officio
 Matt Ellsworth for Tammy de Weerd, Mayor, City of Meridian
 John Evans, Mayor, City of Garden City
 Kelli Fairless, Valley Regional Transit
 David Ferdinand, Commissioner, Canyon County, **Chair-Elect**
 Sherry Huber, Commissioner, Ada County Highway District
 Dave Jones, Idaho Transportation Department
 Dave Luft for Pete Wagner, Idaho Department of Environmental Quality
 Carol McKee, Commissioner, Ada County Highway District, **Vice Chair**
 Bryce Millar, Commissioner, Nampa Highway District #1, **Secretary/Treasurer**
 Nathan Mitchell, Mayor, City of Star
 Brent Orton, City of Caldwell
 Steven Rule, Commissioner, Canyon County
 Jerome Scroggins, Commissioner, Canyon Highway District #4
 Matt Stoll, Executive Director, Community Planning Association, Ex officio
 Martin Thorne, Councilman, City of Nampa
 Vicki Thurber, Mayor, City of Middleton
 Fred Tilman, Commissioner, Ada County
 Sharon Ullman, Commissioner, Ada County
 Rick Yzaguirre, Commissioner, Ada County

Members Absent: Chris Collins, Mayor, City of Notus
Scott Dowdy, Mayor, City of Kuna
Jason Kreizenbeck, Governor's Office, Ex officio
Phil Kushlan, Capital City Development Corporation
James Maguire, Boise State University
Garret Nancolas, Mayor, City of Caldwell, **Immediate Past Chair**
Derick O'Neill, Independent School District of Boise
Patrick Rice, Greater Boise Auditorium District, Ex officio
Craig Telford, Mayor, City of Parma

Others: Nancy Brecks, Community Planning Association
Gloria Chigbrow, Valley Regional Transit
Sally Goodell, Ada County Highway District
Ryan Head, Community Planning Association
Liisa Itkonen, Community Planning Association
Kathleen Lacey, City of Boise
Amy Luft, Community Planning Association
Toni Tisdale, Community Planning Association
Charles Trainor, Community Planning Association
Jeanne Urlezaga, Community Planning Association

CALL TO ORDER

Chair-Elect Bieter called the meeting to order at 1:34 pm.

AGENDA ADDITIONS/CHANGES

Matt Stoll requested approval of the amended meeting agenda, changing Action Item IV- A from an Executive Session to Provide Notification of Intent to Amend Joint Powers Agreement at the February 2010 Board Meeting, as it was determined after the Board packet was mailed out that a Executive Session was not needed; and adding Action Item IV-G, Adopt Resolution 05-2010 Amending the FY2009-2013 Regional Transportation Improvement Program. Staff was not aware of the need for the amendment until after the Board packet was mailed out.

Elaine Clegg moved and Vern Bisterfeldt seconded approval of the amended agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Matt requested approval of Dave Luft as a non-elected COMPASS Board alternate for the Department of Environmental Quality.

David Ferdinand moved and Carol McKee seconded approval of Dave Luft as a non-elected COMPASS Board alternate for the Department of Environmental Quality. Motion passed unanimously.

OPEN DISCUSSION/ANNOUNCEMENTS

David Ferdinand announced that Kevin Lopiccolo has been hired as the new Canyon County Development Services Director.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approve December 21, 2009, Board Meeting Minutes**
- B. Receive Approved November 17, 2009, Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**
- C. Receive Approved November 19, 2009, Finance Committee Meeting Minutes**
- D. Confirm Non-Elected Board Members and Alternates**
- E. Confirm Standing Committees' Memberships**

Carol McKee moved and Vern Bisterfeldt seconded approval of the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

- A. Provide Notification of Intent to Amend Joint Powers Agreement at the February 2010 Board Meeting**

Matt Stoll stated that Brian Ballard and Nick Taylor of Hawley Troxell Ennis and Hawley, LLP met with the Executive and Finance Committees regarding amending the Joint Powers Agreement.

Brian Ballard discussed the proposed amendments to the Joint Powers Agreement giving COMPASS the power to own real estate and addressing what would need to be done with the real estate if COMPASS were dissolved.

After discussion, **Rebecca Arnold moved and Carol McKee seconded approval to provide notice of the intent to amend the Joint Powers Agreement at the February 2010 Board meeting as presented. Motion passed unanimously.**

Matt noted that it will require 2/3 of the full Board voting in the affirmative to amend the Joint Powers Agreement.

- B. Confirm Board Officers: Chair, Chair-Elect, Vice Chair, and Immediate Past Chair. Elect Secretary Treasurer**

Matt Stoll stated the Executive Committee recommended approval of the following ascension of officers and Bryce Millar as Secretary Treasurer:

Dave Bieter, Chair
David Ferdinand, Chair Elect
Carol McKee, Vice Chair
Garret Nancolas, Immediate Past Chair

After discussion, **Sherry Huber moved and Vern Bisterfeldt seconded approval of the ascension of officers as presented and Bryce Millar as the Secretary/Treasurer. Motion passed unanimously.**

- C. Confirm Executive Committee Representatives for Cities under 25,000 in Population**

Matt Stoll stated that the cities under 25,000 in population recommended that Mayor Phil Bandy and Mayor Vicki Thurber remain as the small cities representatives on the COMPASS Executive Committee.

After discussion, **John Evans moved and Vern Bisterfeldt seconded confirmation of Mayor Phil Bandy and Mayor Vicki Thurber as the small cities representatives on the COMPASS Executive Committee. Motion passed unanimously.**

D. Approve Recommended Transportation System for Inclusion in *Communities in Motion (CIM)*

Charles Trainor presented the recommended transportation system for inclusion in *Communities in Motion (CIM)*. Charles said there are two elements, both discussed at the December 2009 Board meeting:

- The funded corridors, which will be the basis for the air quality conformity finding; and
- The arterial functional classification system.

In response to comments from the City of Boise and the Idaho Transportation Department - District 3, the following changes were made to the funded and unfunded lists:

- The Kuna/Mora/Bowmont project has been broken into two pieces:
 - The Bowmont Corridor was put on the funded list.
 - The Kuna/Mora/Bowmont Corridor was put on the unfunded list.

Charles noted that the Kuna/Mora/Bowmont Corridor is shown on the Unfunded Corridor list as an Express Corridor, but based on comments from the Ada County Highway District it should have been shown as "preservation only." Also, there were clarifying corrections made to some of the text. On the Funded Corridor list, No. 6, SH 45/Bowmont Road Connection is for a two lane section only.

The Regional Technical Advisory Committee recommended approval of the Funded/Unfunded Corridors list and the functional classification changes at its November 2009 meeting. These changes will be incorporated into the draft for consideration by the public next spring.

After discussion, **Elaine Clegg moved and Carol McKee seconded approval of the recommended transportation system, funded and unfunded list, for inclusion in *Communities in Motion*, and the proposed functional classification arterial map, with the recommended amendment to change the Kuna Mora Bowmont Express Corridor to the Kuna Mora Bowmont Expressway Corridor Preservation with no costs attached. Motion passed unanimously.**

E. Approve Priority List of ARRA "Step-In" Projects

Toni Tisdale presented a handout of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) "step-in" project priorities. Toni stated the only change on the handout from what was provided in the meeting packet is that TMA Project No. 7, Traffic Signal Timing Potential Project Corridors was moved to the No. 4 position in the handout.

After discussion, **Rebecca Arnold moved and Carol McKee seconded approval of the priority list of ARRA "step-in" projects as presented in the handout. Motion passed unanimously.**

F. Approve Jobs Bill Project Priorities

Toni Tisdale presented project priorities to be funded under the Jobs Bill if the bill is passed by Congress. If the Jobs Bill passes, staff expects funds to be available between March 1 and April 30, 2010. The Executive Committee and the Regional Technical Advisory Committee recommended Board approval of the project priorities.

After discussion, **Sherry Huber moved and Carol McKee seconded approval of the Jobs Bill project priorities as presented. Motion passed unanimously**

G. Adopt Resolution 05-2010 Amending the FY2009-2013 Regional Transportation Improvement Program

Toni Tisdale presented Resolution 05-2010 amending the FY2009-2013 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The purpose of the amendment is to move projects from the 2010 TIP to the 2009 TIP for obligation. The Federal Highway Administration is now requiring all financial information to be shown in the Year of Expenditure. Without Board approval, FY2010 projects that have differences between the FY2009 and FY2010 TIPs must wait for federal approval of the FY2010-2013 State Transportation Improvement Program for obligations to occur. Board approval will ensure eligibility of all projects.

After discussion, **Rebecca Arnold moved and Tom Dale seconded adoption of Resolution 05-2010 amending the FY2009-2013 Regional Transportation Improvement Program as presented. Motion passed unanimously.**

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Status Report-GARVEE Funding

Dave Jones, ITD, provided a status report on GARVEE funding debt to federal funding ratio. Dave stated there will be \$26 million in GARVEE funding for authorization in the 2010 Legislative session. The only 2010 GARVEE project in this area is Highway 16. The bulk of the funds will go to northern Idaho projects.

B. Discuss Possible Legislation Regarding Three Feet to Pass for Bicyclists

Elaine Clegg said the City of Boise passed a local ordinance requiring drivers to allow three feet to pass bicyclists. Senator Werk is currently working on draft legislation as well. Elaine recommended that the Board make a general recommendation to support legislation that enhances bicycle safety.

After discussion, **staff will monitor any legislation, but will not add the issue to the 2010 COMPASS Legislative Position Statements.**

C. Review New Project Applications for the FY2011-2015 Transportation Improvement Program

Toni Tisdale presented 15 new project applications for the FY2011-2015 Transportation Improvement Program as recommended by a subcommittee of the Regional Technical Advisory Committee.

Staff will bring the projects back to the Board for approval in February 2010. In order to meet deadlines for the FY2011-2015 update cycle, new projects and priorities must be approved prior to March 31, 2010.

D. Status Report – Finance Committee

Phil Bandy, Finance Committee Chair, stated at the December 15, 2009 Finance Committee meeting the 2009 Audit was reviewed and approved by the Finance Committee.

Steve Rule stated for the record that he compliments COMPASS staff for the way in which they handle COMPASS' finances.

OTHER

Matt Stoll stated that on February 15, 2010, as part of the annual appropriations process COMPASS will be submitting three projects to the Idaho Congressional Delegation. One is an ACHD roadway project and the other two are transit projects. The Regional Technical Advisory Committee requests that the sponsoring agencies need to demonstrate the ability to provide the local match. A decision will need to be made prior to the February 2010 submittal deadline on whether we can move forward with the two transit projects or not. Matt will keep the Board apprised via email and will provide an update at the February 22, 2010, Board meeting.

Matt also reminded the Board members to attend the February 22, 2010, Board meeting as it will require at least two-thirds of the voting membership to be in attendance and voting in the affirmative to pass the amendment to the Joint Powers Agreement.

ADJOURNMENT

Martin Thorne moved and Fred Tilman seconded adjournment at 2:42 pm. Motion passed unanimously.

Dated this 22nd day of February 2010.

Approved:

**By: _____
Dave Bieter, Chair
Community Planning Association**

Attest:

**By: _____
Matthew J. Stoll, Executive Director
Community Planning Association**