



**BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
DECEMBER 21, 2009
NAMPA CIVIC CENTER
311 3RD STREET SOUTH, NAMPA, IDAHO**

**** MINUTES ****

Attendees: Kathy Alder, Commissioner, Canyon County
Rebecca Arnold, Commissioner, Ada County Highway District
Phil Bandy, Mayor, City of Eagle
Keith Bird, Councilman, City of Meridian
Vernon Bisterfeldt, Councilman, City of Boise
Elaine Clegg, Councilwoman, City of Boise
Tom Dale, Mayor, City of Nampa
Tammy de Weerd, Mayor, City of Meridian
Russell Duke, Central District Health, Ex officio
John Evans, Mayor, City of Garden City
Kelli Fairless, Valley Regional Transit
David Ferdinand, Commissioner, Canyon County, **Vice Chair**
Sally Goodell for Sherry Huber, Commissioner, Ada County Highway District
Dave Jones, Idaho Transportation Department
Kathleen Lacey for Dave Bieter, Mayor, City of Boise, **Chair-Elect**
Carol McKee, Commissioner, Ada County Highway District, **Secretary/Treasurer**
Bryce Millar, Commissioner, Nampa Highway District #1
Garret Nancolas, Mayor, City of Caldwell, **Chair**
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
Sharon Ullman, Commissioner, Ada County
Pete Wagner, Idaho Department of Environmental Quality
Rick Yzaguirre, Commissioner, Ada County

Members Absent: Chris Collins, Mayor, City of Notus
Scott Dowdy, Mayor, City of Kuna
Phil Kushlan, Capital City Development Corporation
Jason Kreizenbeck, Governor's Office, Ex officio
James Maguire, Boise State University
Nathan Mitchell, Mayor, City of Star
Derick O'Neill, Independent School District of Boise
Patrick Rice, Greater Boise Auditorium District, Ex officio

Members Absent Continued: Vicki Thurber, Mayor, City of Middleton
Fred Tilman, Commissioner, Ada County
Margaret Watson, Mayor, City of Parma

Others: Nancy Brecks, Community Planning Association
Ken Burgess, Veritas Advisors
Ryan Head, Community Planning Association
Caleb Hood, City of Meridian
Keith Holmes, Community Planning Association
David Irish, HDR Engineering
Amy Luft, Community Planning Association
Don Matson, Community Planning Association
Charles Trainor, Community Planning Association
Jeanne Urlezaga, Community Planning Association
Jerry Whitehead, Idaho Transportation Board

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Nancolas called the meeting to order at 1:34 pm.

AGENDA ADDITIONS/CHANGES

Tom Dale moved and David Ferdinand seconded approval of the December 21, 2009, Board meeting agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

OPEN DISCUSSION/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kathleen Lacey announced that Mayor Bieter was recovering from knee surgery and would be out of the office until January 2010.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approve November 16, 2009, Board Meeting Minutes**
- B. Receive Approved September 15, 2009, Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**
- C. Adopt Resolution 02-2010 Approving the Updated Public Involvement Policy**
- D. Establish 2010 COMPASS Board and Executive Committee Meeting Dates and Locations**

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

SPECIAL ITEMS

- A. Introduce Jerry Whitehead District 3 Idaho Transportation Board Member**

Chair Nancolas welcomed District 3 Idaho Transportation Board member Jerry Whitehead. Mr. Whitehead addressed the Board regarding transportation issues and his tenure on the Idaho Transportation Board.

ACTION ITEMS

A. Adopt Resolution 03-2010 Approving FY2010 Unified Planning Work Program and Budget (UPWP) – Revision 1

Matt Stoll presented Resolution 3-2010 approving Revision 1 of the FY2010 UPWP:

1. To adjust revenue and expense dollars for work program numbers (or projects) to reflect actual carry-over dollars from FY2009;
2. To show reduction to revenues and expenses from the loss of special membership dues of Joint School District #2;
3. To budget workdays and direct costs to complete program number 631, Treasure Valley High Capacity Transit Study;
4. To add new fringe benefit category, Medical Expense Reimbursement Plan, to cover the increase in employee insurance deductible.

After discussion, **Carol McKee moved and Rebecca Arnold seconded adoption of Resolution 03-2010 approving Revision 1 of the FY2010 Unified Planning Work Program and Budget as presented. Motion passed unanimously.**

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

Charles Trainor presented the two elements being requested for inclusion into CIM:

- The funded corridors that will be the basis for the air quality conformity findings; and
- The arterial functional classification system.

Sharon Ullman asked if car pool lanes had been evaluated. Charles said not at this time.

Matt said staff is looking at the value of car pool lanes or High Occupancy Vehicle lanes, the cost of a study will be brought to the Board at a later date. Staff is also looking at the cost of larger Park and Ride locations across the Valley, which hopefully will be incorporated into CIM.

After discussion, **Steve Rule moved and Sharon Ullman seconded continuing this item at the January 2010 Board meeting allowing staff time to review proposed changes with member agencies. Motion passed unanimously.**

C. Approve FY2011 Federal Appropriations Priority Projects

Matt Stoll presented the FY2011 Federal Appropriations Priority projects as recommended by the Executive Committee. As requested by the Congressional Delegation, COMPASS maintains a consistent list of projects for congressional priorities. The list below includes past priorities with one additional priority due to the recent funding of the Exit 29 project in Caldwell.

Preferred Option:

- Franklin Road, Touchmark Way to Five Mile Road for \$3,000,000
- Treasure Valley, Idaho Transit Facilities for \$500,000
- Treasure Valley High Capacity Alternatives Analysis for \$2,000,000

Fill In Projects (in case one or more of the above are funded through TIGER):

- Northern Ada County ITS Improvements for \$1,000,000
- ADA Bus Stop Improvements, Treasure Valley, Idaho for \$3,750,000

After discussion, **Elaine Clegg moved and Carol McKee seconded approval of the recommended FY2011 Federal Appropriations Priority Projects and to change the ADA Bus Stop Improvements Fill In Project to a phased project. Motion passed unanimously.**

D. Approve 2010 State Legislative Position Statements

Matt Stoll presented the 2010 State Legislative Positions recommended by the Executive Committee. Positions one through four are the same as in past years. Number five is new this year.

1. Transportation Revenue
2. Local Option Sales Tax
3. Fifth Year Funding Approval for GARVEE Bonding Program
4. Transportation Access Plan Legislation
5. Inattentive Driving Legislative – banning cell phones, text messaging while driving.

Matt stated that the Executive Committee will meet as needed during the upcoming legislation session as opposed to meeting each Friday like was done last session.

After discussion, **Rebecca Arnold moved and Vern Bisterfeldt seconded approval of the 2010 State Legislative Position Statements as presented.**

Discussion:

Tom Dale stated, as a Local Option Tax Authority bill is sought, it is almost impossible to achieve voter authorization under a super majority. Tom would rather have nothing, than a 2/3 majority attached to the bill.

Elaine Clegg stated that given the fact that federal funding has not risen at the amount that was projected when the original GARVEE bill was passed, Elaine requested that an Information/Discussion Item be added to the January 2010 Board agenda regarding what the GARVEE funding debt to the federal funding ratio is for the total program.

Elaine also requested adding an Information/Discussion Item to the January 2010 Board agenda for the Board to consider supporting upcoming legislation requiring 3 feet to pass for bicyclists, with an enhanced fine mechanism that would fund a state portion of the Safe Routes to Schools program.

Kathy Alder said the Inattentive Driving Legislative banning cell phones and text messaging while driving is already covered under the existing inattentive driving law. Matt replied the current inattentive driving law is only enforced if there is an accident. This new legislation would allow law enforcement to issue tickets for driving while talking on cell phone, etc, without an accident having occurred.

Steve Rule stated for the record, that he does not support Position No. 2, Local Option Tax Authority Legislation, because local Canyon County businesses do not support it.

The motion passed with three nay votes and one abstention.

E. Approve Options from the Treasure Valley High Capacity Transit Study

Charles Trainor presented seven options from the Treasure Valley High Capacity Transit Study.

After discussion, **Vern Bisterfeldt moved and Tom Dale seconded approval of the options from the Treasure Valley High Capacity Transit Study as presented.**

After further discussion, **Tom Dale made a substitute motion and Carol McKee seconded to approve options from the Treasure Valley High Capacity Transit Study with the deletion of the word "shuttle" in the third bullet point under the HCT alternatives recommended for further analysis. Motion passed with one nay vote.**

F. Adopt Resolution 04-2010 Amending the FY2009-2013 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Matt Stoll presented Resolution 04-2010 amending the FY2010-2014 Regional TIP as requested by the Idaho Transportation Department. Approval will allow District 3 to begin work on the State Highway 16, Willow Creek Bridge. This is a new project and had gone through public comment. Without approval, District 3 will have to wait until the FY2010-2014 regional TIP is approved by the Federal Highway Administration.

After discussion, **Tom Dale moved and Elaine Clegg seconded adoption of Resolution 04-2010 amending the FY2009-2013 regional TIP as presented. Motion passed unanimously.**

G. Executive Session – Personnel Matter [Idaho Code 67-2345 (b)]

Chair Nancolas stated unless there was an objection, he did not think there was a need to move into Executive Session.

Chair Nancolas reported that the Executive Committee conducted Matt Stoll's annual review and voted to retain Matt as the COMPASS Executive Director. At the direction of the Executive Committee, Matt met with the Board Officers and was directed to work with incoming Chair Bieter on suggestions for the long and short term sustainability of COMPASS from a funding and priorities standpoint for Board review. Chair Nancolas stated that there were no salary increases given to COMPASS staff or the Executive Director this year.

OTHER

Chair Nancolas announced that Brent Orton has been named the new Caldwell Public Works Director.

ADJOURNMENT

Martin Thorne moved and Tammy de Weerd seconded adjourning at 3:30 pm. Motion passed unanimously.

Dated this 25th day of January 2010.

Approved:

**By: _____
Garret Nancolas, Chair
Community Planning Association**

Attest:

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