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**RAILROAD ADVISORY BOARD**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**MONDAY, JUNE 11, 2012**

**4:00 PM -5:30 PM**

**1300 FRANKLIN STREET – PUBLIC SERVICE CENTER**

**6TH FLOOR – CONFERENCE ROOM #678**

**ROLL CALL:**

<b>Members Present:</b>	Dick Clairmont, Bill Ganley, Lloyd Lycan, Aryana Peiravi, John Shaffer, Thomas Smith, Daniel Weaver, Jon Yamashita
<b>Excused Members:</b>	Dick Carrol, Todd Coleman, Scott Dalesandro, Jack Melton
<b>Absent Members:</b>	Bonnie Moore
<b>Ex-Officio:</b>	Will Pickering, Eric Temple
<b>Public:</b>	Doug Auburg
<b>Staff:</b>	Jon Holladay, Linnea LaRocque

<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Facilitator</b>
<b>Meeting called to order @ 4:06 pm</b>	<b>Dan Weaver</b>
<b>Roll Call/Introductions</b>	<b>Dan Weaver</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This months meeting was held in conference room 678.</li> <li>Commissioner Steve Stuart unable to attend this meeting this month.</li> </ul>	
<b>Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes</b>	<b>Dan Weaver</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Moved and seconded. Minutes approved as circulated.</li> </ul>	
<b>Communications/Announcements/Citizen Input</b>	<b>Dan Weaver</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bryan Snodgrass resigned.</li> </ul>	
<b>PVJR Activities</b>	<b>Eric Temple</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Everything is going well. Car counts are fantastic. May count was record breaking and Eric expects the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter to be record breaking as well.</li> <li>Malarkey Roofing is looking at expanding its product lines which will equate to more railcars.</li> <li>Eric and Jon met with BOCC about the Lagler property. Commissioner Boldt ensured he would progress the process forward. Dan said that Mr. Lager's attorney has written a letter asking the county to identify exactly what is necessary to complete this application process. Eric will follow up on this.</li> <li>Omega: PVJR and Omega Industries continue to work through a proposed lease agreement.</li> <li>78<sup>th</sup> St. Public Works surplus property: Eric is looking for an update on the status of auctioning the property.</li> <li>Railroad Industry Agreement: Eric has signed this agreement that will enable interchange access to both the BNSF and UP railroads.</li> </ul>	
<b>BYCX Activities</b>	<b>Will Pickering</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>June has been busy so far with 6 runs and a charter of 200 2<sup>nd</sup> graders.</li> <li>Memorial Day was celebrated with over 150 passengers for the opening of Moulton Falls Winery.</li> <li>Fathers Day passenger run is next week.</li> <li>Locomotive load test performed on the Bridge 23. After 2.5 years it's nearly ready for use. Acquired old Banquet Car. The car had been for sale, however, the owner decided to take a tax deduction and donated it to BYCX. There is hope that it will be restored for use as a 1<sup>st</sup></li> </ul>	

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class coach.	
<b>Status of County Activities</b>	<b>Jon Holladay</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bridge 23: The DNR crew completed the planned repairs, plus the needed repairs that were discovered during the work. Before passenger trains run, Jon must inspect the bridge. Hopefully there are no more conditions found to prevent trains from using the bridge. Some follow-up DNR work is required to replace a number of cross-ties.</li> <li>• Bridge 20: Requires an inspection before BYCX can cross. Jon will be performing inspections on both these bridges this week.</li> <li>• Volunteer service award for Florence Wager. Jon passed around a photograph of the sample award. Lloyd believes Florence had served before the 2003 date identified in RRAB appointment forms. Her correct appointment date will be investigated. Jon would like to have a presentation if she is up to coming in, complete with some snacks. Everyone approved.</li> <li>• WSDOT grant. Full State-County contract for \$655K executed. Next step is to advertise for track contractor bids. Jon and Will Cahill are working on the bid documents. August start goal.</li> <li>• Commerce Dept. grant. Preparing for State-County contracting process. \$500k. Intended use is to buy more steel and hopefully tag the installation labor for this onto the first contract.</li> <li>• LED light grant. An additional 34 units are on order to finish the rest of the crossings. Hopefully they will be all installed by end of summer.</li> <li>• Mile 19 landslide. A contractor cleaned up the slide for the 2<sup>nd</sup> time and did some much needed ditching in the area.</li> <li>• 40<sup>th</sup> Ave X-ing Closure. A County crew surveyed for the missing stretch of road to connect southwards. Dan inquired as to whether 40 is to be extended from 78<sup>th</sup> Street to St Johns. Jon believes Public Works understands the safety need to close this portion of 40<sup>th</sup> – as well as re-routing NE 43<sup>rd</sup> in the future.</li> </ul>	
<b>Subcommittee Reports</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CREDC: No report.</li> <li>• NAC's: Dick Clairmont – They requested an operating schedule of BYCX to promote ridership to their many neighborhood associations.</li> <li>• Web Page: No report.</li> <li>• Legislature: John – without Senator Pridemore, John noted how things could shake out elections-wise and that the funding outlook is in question because we will not have any senior legislators with clout for a few years.</li> <li>• Community Reps: Battle Ground chamber is continuing Harvest Day planning.</li> <li>• RR Master Planning: Lagler property progress was discussed again. John will touch base with Hornstein while Jon and Eric will touch base with Comm. Boldt and Bill Barron.</li> <li>• RRAB Makeup/Duties/Expectations: No report.</li> </ul>	
<b>Unfinished Business</b>	<b>Dan Weaver</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Revisions to RRAB By-Laws: Housekeeping changes and a couple clarifications were addressed. The changes were reviewed, accepted, moved and seconded. Adopted. Details are attached to file document.</li> </ul>	
<b>New Business</b>	<b>Dan Weaver</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alisa Pyszka, RRAB candidate to replace Bryan Snodgrass from City of Vancouver. The positive discussion of her knowledge and experience prompted investigation of appointment to the RRAB. The board moved and seconded her appointment. Staff will move forward in asking she complete the remainder of Bryan's term.</li> </ul>	
<b>Good of the Order</b>	<b>ALL</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>	
<b>Round Table</b>	<b>ALL</b>
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<b>ADJOURNMENT @5:14 pm</b>	