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CLARK COUNTY
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RAILROAD ADVISORY BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, JULY 13, 2015

4:00 PM -5:30 PM

1300 FRANKLIN STREET – PUBLIC SERVICE CENTER

6TH FLOOR – BOARD TRAINING ROOM

Members Present:	Neil Chambers, Dick Clairmont, Todd Coleman, Bill Ganley, Lloyd Lycan, Jack Melton, Dave Nelson, John Shaffer, Dan Weaver
Excused Members:	Scott Dalesandro, Chad Eiken, Eric Fuller, Denise McCarty, Tom Smith, Jon Yamashita
Absent Members:	
Ex-Officio:	Eric Temple
Public:	Wayne Harner (Port of Vancouver), Randy Williams (BYCX), Doug Auburg (BYCX)
Staff:	Jeff Swanson
Agenda Item	Facilitator
Meeting called to order @ 4:03pm	Todd Coleman
Roll Call/Introductions	Todd Coleman
Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes	Todd Coleman
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Moved for approval (Dick Clairmont), seconded (Dave Nelson), unanimously approved 	
Communications/Announcements/Citizen Input	Todd Coleman
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 	
BYCX Activities	Randy Williams
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Train robbery reenactments start the weekend of July 18-19 BYCX crews have started a fire watch; track maintenance projects have slowed with the hotter, drier weather conditions Trains have been full, reflecting the effectiveness of promotional efforts using both social media and local news media coverage 	
PVJR Activities	Eric Temple
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carload volumes continue to track at record levels; another carload of slag has been received; other customer volumes are at higher than historical levels Columbia Basin Railroad received a significant earmark in the transportation revenue bill which the Washington Legislature just passed: \$21 million for a project at the Port of Moses Lake; discussion followed concerning strategies for obtaining a similar magnitude of funding for the Clark County Railroad 	
County Activities	Jeff Swanson
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continued discussion concerning transportation revenue bill and funding for the Freight Rail Assistance Program, where the Clark County Railroad has recently received funding for capital projects; discussion on future efforts to promote the railroad to legislative contacts Discussion following up on the work session with the BOCC on July 1st: presentation was well-received by BOCC; other follow up items have not been made known to staff, who will follow up with the BOCC to see if other questions need to be addressed 2015 capital construction projects are substantially complete, meaning only minor “punch list” items remain to be resolved Rural industrial land bank open house on July 29th; staff presented information 	

concerning the railroad industrial employment zoning code (40.230.085, found at <http://www.codepublishing.com/wa/clarkcounty.html>); board members discussed sending a letter to the BOCC asking them to amend county code to include railroad industrial zoning as well as light industrial zoning in rural industrial land banks; motion for staff to prepare a draft letter and circulate it for RRAB approval made by Dick Clairmont, seconded by Bill Ganley and approved unanimously; staff were also directed to confer with the applicant's counsel on this matter

Subcommittee Reports	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By-laws subcommittee presented their work on the RRAB mission statement; Dave Nelson moved to accept the mission statement and submit it to the county manager for approval and adoption, Jack Melton seconded the motion which was unanimously approved • By-laws subcommittee presented their rewrite of the RRAB bylaws; John Shaffer moved to accept the bylaws and submit them to the county manager for approval and adoption, Bill Ganley seconded the motion which was unanimously approved 	
Unfinished Business	Todd Coleman
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None 	
New Business	Todd Coleman
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Per customary practice, it was moved by Dick Clairmont the RRAB cancel its August meeting; Jack Melton seconded the motion which was unanimously approved 	
Good of the Order	ALL
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None 	
Round Table	ALL
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None 	
ADJOURNMENT @ 5:20 pm	