

TEHAMA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES OF OCTOBER 21, 2003

Present: Chairman, Larry Stevens; Vice Chairman, George Russell; Commissioners; Ron Warner; Charles Willard; Rex Roush; Ross Turner. Also present: Williams Goodwin, Executive Director; Gerald Brownfield, Deputy Director of Public Works; O. Gary Plunkett, Retired Executive Director; Barbara O’Keeffe, Transit Manager; and Transportation Planners, Jeff Schwein and Dorothy (Doti) Watkins.

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Chairman Larry Stevens at 8:00 a.m.
2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Motion by Commissioner Turner and second by Commissioner Russell to approve the September 16, 2003 minutes. Carried 6-0 with 0 absent.
3. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Marcella Nankervis, Caltrans Project Manager, reported on the STIP projects on the State system with Tehama County. These are biannual SB45 reports. Copies were distributed to the Commissioners and briefly reviewed projects for Wilcox, Nine Mile Hill, and South Avenue.
4. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Barbara O’Keeffe presented;

5313 Grant Award \$49,285
CTC Meeting October 29-30, 2003 Redding City Hall
CalACT Conference October 26-28, 2003
Cancellation of November 4, 2003 TCTC Meeting

5. **INTRODUCTION OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:** Gerald Brownfield introduced to the Commission the new Executive Director of the Commission, Williams (Bill) Goodwin. Mr. Goodwin comes from the City of Redding where he served as Deputy Director of Development Services City Engineer. Previously, he gained 20-years experience as a private consultant for various Public Works projects and agencies.
6. **GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS QUARTERLY REPORT:** Dorothy Watkins discussed the Overall Work Plan funding for GIS and the work completed by Chico State to allow a comprehensive, countywide data layer of parcels for the County. Doti Watkins thanked those who participated and benefitted from the project. The Data Committee continues to contribute monthly updates working with the data base that drives GIS and assists the consultant. Working with the Assessor, Tax Collector, Building Department, Elections, Environmental Health, City of Corning and Red Bluff, and the Sheriff Department is greatly appreciated by Staff.

Staff presented maps (included in packet) of the work presently completed.

7. **I-5 TRANSPORTATION CONCEPT REPORT:** Jeff Schwein discussed Caltrans Transportation Concept Report for I-5 which goes through Tehama County. The document is a 20-year planning document designed: to analyze traffic conditions; demographics; land use and environmental issues;

consideration for multi-modal alternatives; and identify future projects. In Tehama County and throughout the District 2, Caltrans is having public workshops. Kathy Grah is the contact person for Caltrans.

Comments were made during the Corning workshop: The main concerns were the high amount of traffic on South Avenue, Solano Street, Finnel and Gyle Road.; and the growth in the Liberal Avenue area.

Comments from Red Bluff workshop: Freeway access is a problem throughout the County; the need for interchange at Proberta; changeable message signs for road conditions, especially for trucking industry (Caltrans wanted County to make this an important strategy for Federal money); noise from Adobe Road even though a wall has been installed, reflects into the new Forward addition; lights at especially Adobe Road and on Antelope Blvd. going towards Chico causing confusion. The lights need adjusting

Jeff Schwein added that concerns from Rancho Tehama Association has been received regarding the lack of signage. Caltrans is holding to their policy and rejecting their request.

8. **UNMET TRANSIT NEEDS FINDINGS:** Motion by Commissioner Turner and Second by Commissioner Warner, waving the reading, to adopt the Unmet Transit Needs Finding Resolution 13-2003, that there are unmet transit needs, including needs that are reasonable to meet.

Commissioner Russell appreciated the efforts of ascertaining the feeling of the public relative to our public transit system.

Motion carried 6-0 with 0 absent.

9. **UPDATE TEHAMA COUNTY BIKEWAYS PLAN RESOLUTION 14-2003:** Motion by Commissioner Willard and Second by Commissioner Warner to re-adopt the 1999 Tehama County Bikeways Plan and Resolution 14-2003. Motion carried 6-0 with 0 absent.

Transit Manager, Barbara O’Keeffe, introduced the previous Mayor of Los Molinos, Mary Baker. Ms Baker requested funding assistance from Caltrans or the Transportation Commission for a beautification projects in Los Molinos including abandoned vehicles on private property.

Commissioner Turner recommended contact with the Building and Planning Department regarding abatement, and also with the ADHOC Committee in which he and Supervisor McIver are participants. PG&E should also be contacted as well as Supervisor Borrer.

Staff added that a Technical Advisory Committee will be meeting that deals with Federal and State funding. Notification will be provided to Ms. Baker.

10. 2002/2003 TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ANNUAL REPORT: Jeff Schwein reported the Annual Report information for Transportation.

- STIP Management System
- STIP Monitoring and Reorganization
- RTPA Handbook
- GIS Database for STIP Projects

Commissioner Russell complimented staff on their planning objectives, monitoring and evaluation of achieving the goals.

Commissioner Warner commented that the few goals that were not met, was not due to staff, but for other reasons.

11. AGREEMENT FOR CONSULTING SERVICES: Bill Goodwin, Executive Director, requested approval for Consulting Services from O. Gary Plunkett, P.E., Retired Executive Director of the Tehama County Transportation Commission. The passing of Senate Bill 45, requiring updates to the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), need to commence as the 2004 STIP estimate will be adopted by the California Transportation Commission in the near future. In the past, a competitive process was done and a Consultant was hired to complete the information. Special expertise in this area can be greatly used through Mr. Plunkett, and at a rate lower than has previously been charged.

A motion was made by Commissioner Russell and seconded by Commissioner Roush and unanimously carried by the members present to approve the agreement for consulting services with O. Gary Plunkett and the Transportation Commission in the amount of \$37.13 per hour for 265 hours commencing October 21, 2003 and ending July 1, 2004.

12. CORRESPONDENCE: As presented and no questions.

13. CLAIMS: Commissioner Willard questions the bill for AT&T Wireless cell phone bill of \$699.43.

Staff commented this included the purchase and monthly fee. In the future months, only a monthly fee will be shown for this pocket PC.

Motion by Commissioner Turner and Second by Commissioner Warner to approve the October 21, 2003 claims of \$305,452.29. Motion carried 6-0 with 0 absent.

14. ADJOURN: The Transportation Commission meeting adjourned at 9:01 a.m.