

TEHAMA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES OF APRIL 21, 2009

Present: Commissioners': Warner; Strack; Willard; and Christison. Also present: Executive Director Gary Antone; Barbara O'Keeffe, Deputy Director of Public Works -Transportation; Kathy Grah, Tamy Quigley and Steve Rogers of Caltrans, Joy Gifford, of Paratransit. Absent: Commissioners' Russell, Byrne

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 8:28 a.m. by Commissioner Ron Warner
2. **Approval of March 3, 2009 minutes:** Motion by Commissioner Strack and Second by Commissioner Christison to approve the March 3, 2009 minutes. Carried 4-0 with 2 absent.
3. **Public Comment:** None
4. **Announcements:** Barbara O'Keeffe announced that potential dates for the Lake California Bridge ribbon cutting have been presented to the Board of Supervisors.
5. **California Transportation Plan 2035 Update:** Tamy Quigley of Caltrans gave a presentation on the California Transportation Plan (CTP). The Commissioners were invited to participate in focus groups planned for late summer and early fall.
6. **State Route 99 Transportation Concept Report:** Kathy Grah of Caltrans presented comments and information from the Los Molinos public meeting. Overall, the workshop was successful, and residents felt comfortable giving input for the project, Gary Antone noted that the facilitators were greatly appreciated.

Commissioner Willard commented that speeding is not the problem through Los Molinos, it is the lack of enforcement.

Ron Warner noted that this affects his District as well as Commissioner Willard's, and appreciated the progress being made on issues that have been discussed for the last 17 years.

7. **South Avenue Interchange Phase I:** Steve Rogers of Caltrans announced the South Avenue bid opening will be held Wednesday, April 22, 2009. Mr. Rogers noted that many transportation projects have been coming in under bid, and he anticipates a significant savings in capital construction.

The Commission will need a co-op agreement with City of Corning to purchase Right of Way in the City's name. Funds are available to purchase 4 of the 5 remaining parcels.

8. **State Route 99 Bond Project in Los Molinos:** Steve Rogers of Caltrans gave an update on the Los Molinos Bond Project. Mr. Rogers noted that additional funds were required for right of way, due to sidewalks and sign relocation. In order to cover these costs, \$295,000 will be transferred from Construction Capital to Right of Way.

The Commission has \$79,710 in Transportation Enhancement (TE) funds. Due to the many strings attached, the TAC recommended programming these funds into the Los Molinos Bond Project. These funds may be used for sidewalks, cross walks, lighting, etc.

Motion by Commissioner Warner second by Commissioner Christison to adopt Resolution 5-2009, Transferring \$295,000 from Construction Capital to Right of Way. Carried 4-0 with 2 absent.

Motion by Commissioner Warner, second by Commissioner Strack to adopt Resolution 6-2009, Program ARRA Transportation Enhancement Funds (TE) for TE Eligible project components in the amount of \$79,710. Carried 4-0 with 2 absent.

9. **Caltrans District 2 Economic Stimulus Project \$36M on I-5:** Barbara O'Keeffe announced that Tehama County will receive \$36 million dollars for I-5 improvements. Planned improvements include paving in both directions of I-5 from Coyote Creek to Adobe Road in Red Bluff, a total of 5.3 miles and bridge improvements.

The majority of construction will occur in 2010. The project will be staged, with K-rail installed and traffic moved to the median, allowing two lanes in each direction.

10. **Overview of Proposed Project funded by Economic Stimulus Funds and Open Public Hearing:** The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) was signed into legislation in February 2009. The TAC unanimously recommends San Benito Avenue overlay for the first round of funds, and 99W overlay (from 1.5 miles south of Red Bluff and 1.5 miles north of Corning) for the second round of funds.

Open Public Hearing.

No public comment received. Public Hearing Closed.

Barbara O’Keeffe commented that ARRA are one time monies, and funds are being lost by not doing three straight miles of overlay.

Motion by Commissioner Willard and second by Commissioner Christison to adopt Resolution 7-2009, Approval of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Projects. Carried 4-0 with 2 absent.

11. **Adopt Resolution #8-2009 Distribution of RSTP Exchange for Fiscal Year 2008-09:** Barbara O’Keeffe stated that RSTP funds are annual apportionments from the federal highway bill that are apportioned and distributed by the Commission, County, and Cities.

Motion by Commissioner Willard and second by Commissioner Christison to adopt Resolution 8-2009 distribution of RSTP Exchange for Fiscal Year 2008-2009. Carried 4-0 with 2 absent.

12. **Adopt Resolution 9-2009 Designated Authority:** Motion by Commissioner Strack second by Commissioner Willard to adopt Resolution 9-2009 Designated Authority. Carried 4-0 with 2 absent.
13. **Adopt Resolution 10-2009: Warrant Register for 2009-2010:** Motion by Commissioner Strack second by Commissioner Willard to adopt Warrant Register for 2009-2010, Resolution 10-2009. Carried 4-0 with 2 absent.
14. **Adopt Resolution 11-2009: Continuing Operations Authority:** Motion by Commissioner Christison second by Commissioner Willard to adopt Continuing Operations Authority Resolution 11-2009. Carried 4-0 with 2 absent.
15. **Approval of Claims:** Motion by Commissioner Strack second by Commissioner Willard to approved the claims in the amount of \$67,764.88
16. **Adjourn:** With no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:39 a.m.

