



ISLAND REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE - MINUTES OF THE MEETING

March 10, 2022

TAC Member Attendance List

John Shambaugh, NW Region Mt Baker Area - WSDOT
Stan Reeves, Executive Director - Port of South Whidbey
Don Meeham - District 1 Citizen Representative
Randi Perry, Director of Public Works – City of Langley
Ed Sewester, Assistant County Engineer – Island County
Cac Kamack, Senior Planner - City of Oak Harbor
Kelly Riepma, Public Works Superintendent - Town of Coupeville
Ben Jones, Transportation Planner- Island County
Nikki Davis-Traffic Engineer-Island County
Peter Landry- City of Normandy Park
Bob Monize – District 3 Citizen Representative
Sharon Sappington, Executive Director – EDC
John Lanier-Long Range Planner-Island County Planning & Development
Connie Bowers-Public Works Director/County Engineer
Alex Warner, City Engineer – City of Oak Harbor
Brian Tyhuis, Community Planning and Liaison Officer - NAS Whidbey

Interested Parties in Attendance

Nikki Davis-Traffic Engineer-Island County

Facilitator

Heather Bickford, Transportation Planner - Island County

1. Welcome and Introductions

Heather Bickford called the meeting to order at 1:00pm.

2. Approval of Minutes

Bob Monize moves to approve the meeting minutes for March 10, 2022. John Shambaugh seconds. All yeas, motion passed.

3. Information on Upcoming Events

Heather Bickford- Announced her last day with Island County and introduce Ben Jones the new Transportation Planner.

Ben Jones- Introduces himself and his background prior before starting with Island County Public Works. He's from Savannah Georgia and completed his graduate internship with the City of Savannah working with the Mayor and City Council elected officials. His wife is currently serving in the US Navy.

Heather Bickford- Ask if anyone has any questions for Ben?

Alex Warner- Responded about the crabbing in Oak Harbor

Ben Jones- Explain about his experience with crabbing in Savannah Georgia.

Heather Bickford- Explain about the RTIP and ask everyone to get there projects ready for the process. Haven't received funding yet but expected to get some from the infrastructure money. Ask John if he has any updates:

John Shambaugh- Doesn't know when the IRTPO will receive more funding, but it's coming.

4. Members Round Table

Alex Warner- Introduce Peter Landry Oak Harbor new Project Engineer and currently working on federal funded projects: Northeast 7th Avenue Reconstruction Project/ 60% Design Phase done. Currently seeking extra funding for the reconstruction project. Also, have a recent development in the roundabout on the Westside and will be installing this project in house. Cac Kamak is working on the active transportation plan.

Cac Kamak- Is with the City of Oak Harbor and have two (2) representatives with the City of Oak Harbor serving today on the TAC Board. He works in Development Services and do a lot of the planning functions for the City. He is currently working on the active transportation plan for Oak Harbor. He's searching for a consultant to help with that effort.

Randi Perry- Is with the City of Langley/Director of Public Works. There is not a lot going on with the road improvements.

John Lanier- Is a Long Range Planner and trying to get up to speed with Island County transportation in the land use side.

Stan Reeves- Port of south Whidbey and has one (1) project in the STIP (State Transportation Improvement Plan) which is the Clinton Dock. Actually sign the contract for the PE on 3/09/22. I'm scheduled for the kick-off meeting next week and will be seeking additional money for the construction phase.

Kelly Riepma- Is with the Town of Coupeville and currently ready for the overlays partner with the county. Also, getting the locals together which is helping paving trail projects.

Sharon Sappington- Is Director of the Economic Development for Island County.

Nikki Davis- Is the Traffic Engineer for Island County. Currently have two (2) projects on the Regional Transportation Improvement Plan (RTIP) which is the Cross Island East Camano Roundabout and Compact Roundabout at Freeland at the intersection of Main Street and Harbor.

Peter Landry- Currently working on a different projects.

Brian Tyhuis- Is a Community Planning and Liaison Officer - NAS Whidbey.

Bob Monize- The transportation problems needs to be addressed in King County & Snohomish County. He ask Pete Landy if he's is aware of these problems.

Pete Landry- He wasn't aware due to conservation projects he's currently working on.

Don Meehan- Welcome aboard and this is a good group to work with.

John Shambaugh- WSDOT serves out of Mt Baker area office which is part of the Northwest Region. Currently is the Planning Manager and have a lot of projects that's going on. We cover four (4) county area. Also other people within the department occasionally cover different things across Island County.

Connie Bowers- It's good to see some many familiar faces and really enjoy this group.

Heather Bickford- Next week Ben will get in touch with John Shambaugh and Cac Kamack regarding interviewing David Evans and Associates for the HSTP & RTP.

John Shambaugh- I'm not involved in that process but someone else in the office is. I'll have them to reach out.

Cac Kamack- Will be out the office and if you don't hear back from me I'll respond soon as I can.

Nikki Davis- Tells Heather Bickford thanks for being part of the team. You've been a great addition and we will miss you.

Cac Kamack- Thanks for your time.

John Shambaugh- Hopefully I'll see you in the future in your next job.

Heather Bickford- Thank you everyone I enjoyed doing this. Thank you so much.

Connie Bowers- Ask about the combined meeting next week with Executive board and TAC Board.

Heather Bickford- Yes and I'll make note to that and as a reminder the Executive Board wanted to meet the TAC Board next meeting. This would be a great time to explain what you're working on and your role within your organization. Also, there will have a presentation from WSDOT Environmental Manager Melanie Vance will be presenting should be interesting.

5. Adjourn

Heather Bickford adjourned the meeting at 1:31 pm.

Next Meeting: April 14, 2022

Common Acronyms:

EDC – Economic Development Council

HSTP – Human Services Transportation Plan

IRTPO – Island Regional Transportation Planning Organization

NAS – Naval Air Station

PT = Public Transit

RFQ – Request for Qualifications

RTIP – Regional Transportation Improvement Program

RTP – Regional Transportation Plan

SR - State Route

STBG – Surface Transportation Block Grant

TAC – Technical Advisory Committee

UPWP – Unified Planning Work Program

WSDOT – Washington State Department of Transportation

WSF – Washington State Ferries