

Tribal Transportation Planning Organization

ZOOM Meeting

Meeting and Agency Updates

May 16, 2023

4:30 – 07:30 p.m.

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MINUTES

Introductions:

The following TTPO officers were in attendance and introduced themselves: Maria Cullooyah, TTPO President, Spokane Tribe, opened the meeting welcoming everyone to the TTPO's meeting.

TTPO Officers: Keri Cleary- TTPO Vice President, Nora Pederson- TTPO Treasurer, Robert Barandon- TTPO Secretary

Roll Call

The meeting was hybrid, so Robert Barandon, asked participants attending virtually to type their name and affiliation in the ZOOM chat box. Those attending in person announced themselves and also signed in. The following participants provided their information on Zoom: Anna Ragaza-Bourassa- WSDOT Tribal and Integrated Planning, Nina Stocker- WSDOT Public Transportation Division Eastern Region Community Liaison, Charlene Kay- WSDOT Eastern Region, Lorraine Basch- WSDOT Federal Tribal Legislative Liaison, Shaun Darveshi- North Central Region, Jonathan Olds- WSDOT, ESO, Sr. Policy Specialist for Climate Change, Brigid Dean- WSDOT HQ (Guidance Project), Seth Hartley- ICF. Consultant supporting WSDOT on the CRS development,

The Following people signed in at the in person meeting as well as introduced themselves: Dan Tolliver- Upper Skagit Indian Tribe, Hondo Pell- Swinomish Tribe, Eddie Soto- PARAMETRIX, David Tano- BIA NWRO, Blane Kunihis- FHWA Office of Tribal Transportation, Adam Larsen- FHWA, Megan Nicodemus- WSDOT, Francis SiJohn- Spokane Tribe, Ryland Bowechop- Makah Tribe, Julia Whitford- Kalispel Tribe, Happy Longfellow- PARAMETRIX, Deb Bray- Swinomish Tribe, Karen Misanes- Sauk-Suiattle Tribe, Sam Ricord- University of Washington, Yinhai wang- University of Washington, Margo Hill- Eastern Washington University, Richard Rolland-Rolland Associates, Wei Sun- AIWaysion., Edward Koltonowski- Kimley-Horn, Dan Ireland- SCJ Alliance, Wendy Clark-Getzin- Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe, Mary Beth Clark, Nez Perce Tribe, Greg Wynecoop- Spokane Tribe

Minutes:

Minutes of the last meeting were not reviewed. Hold over into next meeting

Topics and Presentations

WA State Carbon Reduction Strategy, Jonathan Olds

Robert introduced Jonathan Olds. Jonathan is working on the states Carbon Reduction Strategy. He also introduced Seth Hartley a consultant from ICF working on the project. In 2021 IJJA created the carbon reduction program to reduce emissions, and it requires states to develop a Carbon Reduction Strategy (CRS). Washington State's anticipated funding amount is \$110 million. The CRS would take several state plans focusing on transportation emissions reductions such as vehicles miles traveled, the transportation electrification strategy, and Green Electrolytic Hydrogen and Renewable Fuels. Additionally, the strategy for the CRS is respecting HEAL Act requirements, include partner outreach, and coordinate with FHWA. The CRS will include an overview of WA's vision for transportation decarbonization, a summary of strategies being developed by partners around the stats that affect carbon emissions (identified nearly 500 strategies), include a summary of the engagement/outreach, and an additional analysis to understand the ability of existing and potential policies to meet the states GHG goals. The CRS identified 5 carbon reduction strategies such as clean fuels and vehicles, land use strategies, system operations, business operations efficiency/planning, and improving the ability to meet daily needs with fewer and shorter vehicle trips and other modes. Their schedule is aggressive, but want to submit to FHWA by end of 2023.

Green Transportation: Expansion of Electric Vehicle, Grants and other resources. Jim Jensen Director of WA Green Transportation

Washington Green Transportation Program presentation: Public buses, trucks, and Automobiles. Jim provided information about what's driving the change towards electrification. This includes climate action goals, air quality, and fleet benefits. Half of the state's greenhouse gases come from the transportation sector. There are associated fleet costs savings, such as no fuel costs and lower maintenance costs. Jim also explained the difference between electric vehicle types Hybrid electric vehicle (HEV), plug in hybrid electric vehicle (PHEV), and battery powered vehicle (BEV), Hydrogen Fuel cell Vehicle (HFCV). In addition Jim also shared charging option and differences for these types of vehicles. Jim also shared that battery costs are declining and the technology is improving. US automakers pledge 40-50% EV sales by 2030...they are currently accelerating. Washington State has a lot of policy related to electric vehicles (clean energy transformation act, climate commitment act, Ecology Rules, ZEV mapping and forecasting tool, EV coordinating council). There is a lot of opportunity for state

funding and green transportation. Transit/school buses is a big emphasis at the state and Federal level. Washington state NEVI plan was adopted over the summer and focuses on electric infrastructure deployment for certain corridors and he shared the criteria for this infrastructure. \$69 million available for non-corridor charging and vehicles. Request for information (RFI) for Department of commerce, clean transportation program...insert the link here.

Safety Update

Adam Larsen FHWA, Safety funding update

Adam shared his information and pamphlet for the Tribal Transportation Safety Peer Exchange on August 21, 2023, and they just completed one in Green Bay, WI. The pamphlet has a link to register for the event. A crash data project has been started and talked about the crash data toolkit. Adam shared they plan to have a project for pedestrian risk factors and how high a risk a certain segment of roadway is for pedestrians. They plan to bring on a contractor and forming an advisory committee for it.

TTPO Business Meeting

Treasurer's Report Nora Pederson, TTPO Treasurer provided a Summary Financial Report for the period January 1, 2023 to March 31, 2023. \$11,700 will be billed to TTPO dues, and \$3000 had been collected already. Checking balance was \$28,746.95, but with 3 checks that still need to be deposited from tribes. Nora also shared the CD balance is \$10,628.23 (from 12/31/2022). Email asked that if members haven't received an invoice to please email Nora.

Position Vacancies: Maria's time as president is expiring, and Nora would like to step down as Treasurer. Keri moved up to President from Vice President. Due to the vacancy, Robert asked if anyone would like to nominate for Vice President. Prior to any vote, Nora confirmed on the TTPO bylaws that voting is by consensus and a quorum isn't necessary.

Francis SiJohn from Spokane Tribe was nominated as the Vice President. There was 6 Yays to the vote, and no Nays to the nomination. Francis SiJohn was elected as the new Vice President for TTPO.

Robert asked for nominations for Secretary to TTPO, but there were no nominations. It was asked to place the voting for the position by email.

Good of the Order:

Next Meeting -

No time was set for the next meeting.

Meeting Adjourned

Meeting adjourned at 6:27 PM.