

**DRAFT Minutes: DRRH6 Road Board Meeting – June 25, 2024 - DRAFT**

**Location:** 54533 Foster Rd

**Present:**

Board Members: Duane Brolin, Anne Danczyk and Billie Ameika

Owners: Jen Lawrence, Laretta Davies, Tim Davies, Dennis King, Tom

Ameika Billie called meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting minutes from February 21, 2024 were read by Billie. A motion to approve was made by Duane and the board agreed to approve without any changes.

Billie also read a summary report of the emergency meeting that took place on April 29, 2024 to appoint Anne Danczyk as Treasurer to replace outgoing Nina Dille. Duane confirmed that this documentation will be used to set up new banking records for Anne, along with the letter from Deschutes County Commissioners verifying Anne's new appointment. **Billie will provide a copy of this letter to Duane, which also resides in the road board files.**

**Treasurer's Report:**

Due to a wildfire that erupted the day prior in our area and the responsibilities of our treasurer associated with supporting fire fighting efforts, this report was not available for this meeting. Both Duane and Anne reported that she had not made any transactions since appointed. This report was tabled until the next board meeting.

**Old Business:**

**Road Work Update over last three months:** Duane reported that new rock had been brought to the general neighborhood roads and that work had also been done at the end of Silver Fox to fill in potholes. Touch up still needs to happen. Discussion followed between community members

and the board. Duane provided information on how roads are currently being maintained. Attending members were engaged in this discussion and thankful for the background information provided. Members in attendance expressed overall satisfaction with the current state of roads, and added that there may be an opportunity for further discussion/participation to continue road maintenance improvements. Duane did share that he trying to secure a water truck contractor and this was proving to be a challenge. **He will continue to work with John Littrell to find a willing contractor.**

**Jen Lawrence said that she will provide the contact information for the road board president for the Beaver Road Board district to see if that could prove helpful.**

**Bridge Update:** Due to Jen Lawrence's prior work with this road board and work on this issue, she provided background information to the community members in attendance.

Earlier in the day, she had finally been able to acquire the report from the recent bridge inspection. She had provided that report to Duane, who also confirmed that the report is also available as an attachment in the road board email account. Both Duane and Jen shared that the bridge does need maintenance, which is not limited to cosmetic concerns. All agreed that the issue of “who owns the bridge” and “who is responsible for the bridge” needs to be finalized, as fingers between Deschutes County and the State of Oregon continue to point at each other, and Duane confirmed that he has been unable to make proper contact with the Corps of Engineers to determine any answers. **Anne offered to be the point person in trying to set up an in-person meeting with our Deschutes County Commissioners office to get to the bottom of the issue.** All agreed that it is not possible that the DRRH6 road board is responsible for the bridge, as this special district deals with roads only – not the bridge.

**Summer preparation:** Duane shared that overall, the roads are holding up well and that the next steps for maintenance is to secure the water contractor and grader and to get that scheduled. **Duane confirmed he will contact John Littrell, as noted above.** Community members did inquire whether paving particular high traffic or problem areas was possible and the overall paving of neighborhood roads. In addition, it was suggested that we may want to talk to the county about the portion of road where State Recreation Road meets Foster Road, particularly where the pavement is undermined causing a big hole. Discussion beyond this general inquiry did not continue.

**Stop Sign at Cub:** All agreed that the stop sign at Cub/Silver Fox can come down, as it is the sign has faded and unreadable, it is technically not at the proper height and it is improperly attached to a street sign; according to Deschutes County. **Tim Davies offered to take the sign down** and all agreed that the Oregon “right of way” rules established by the DMC shall dictate that intersection.

**Right of Way Renewal:** As Jen Lawrence had started the process for this renewal when she was on the board, she provided background information to the community members in attendance. She did confirm that the renewal application had been submitted on May 13, 2024. She and current board members confirmed that we have not heard back from our BLM representative to date. **Billie agreed to take this off Jen’s plate and will contact John Griley to determine the status of this renewal.**

#### **New Business:**

**Open Discussion:** Community member Laurretta Davies did pose a couple of questions, prompted by neighbors unable to attend. Those included how to enforce the 15 mph speed limit signs. Discussion followed that this is not really enforceable and is more a matter of working with neighbors and community members to be good neighbors and stewards of our roads. She also asked whether Silver Fox will be graded, and Duane confirmed that this was a

priority. Dennis King did share that he had an alternative solution to large scale oiling of roads for dust abatement, which included 50-gallon drums for approximately \$375.

**Road Board Meeting Dates:**

**Next Meeting:**

Due to a scheduling conflict, the August 20<sup>th</sup> date for the next meeting was rescheduled to September 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. Location TBD.

**Remaining 2024 meetings include:**

Tuesday, November 19, 2024, 6:30 pm

**Adjourn:**

With no further discussion or input, Billie moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:14 PM. Motion seconded by Duane.