

May 6, 2025, Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Dale Guenther, Bruce Parker, Steve Adam, Kelli Grover, Mindy Montecucco, Emma Lugo, Del Scharffenberg, Sheila Shaw (public)

Scott Hoelscher, Mya Ganzer, Jonathan Hangartner, (Clackamas County) Sarah Iannorone (Street Trust) Nicole Perry (SRTS)

6:30 p.m. – Welcome: Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes and Public Comment

Quorum not reached, no public comment.

6:35 p.m. – Oregon Legislature – Transportation Advocacy – Sarah Iannarone, Executive Director The Street Trust

Lots of chaos in Washington DC is impacting transportation funding locally. House bill 2017, funding for safe routes to school and payroll tax to fund transit, Street Trust is focused on local transportation package. Trucking industry and automobile industry, local governments, labor organizations, Street Trust and TriMet and other transportation groups make up the transportation lobby.

Gas tax revenue is declining, EVs and more fuel-efficient vehicles. Oregon pays the least taxes per vehicle of the 7 western states. Very limited set of tools, but Street Trust in support of tolls, vehicle miles travelled (similar to commercial vehicles), one time user fee proposed by the legislature, one time safety fee, 465 million per biennium. Dedicated funding for safety. Asking for money from Oregon community paths to fund the off-street network. Will send over petition for safety (Scott will send out after the meeting), 800-page bill hasn't dropped yet but there will be hearings for various modes of transportation. Looking for historic levels of funding for safe routes to school. Goal is to get testimony to Salem, senator mark meek, crafting the draft that is to be released on ways and means and transportation committee.

Lots of demand for this funding and this will expand the cohort in support of this project. Will create and safe complete system. Oregon micromobility network.

Shut down bills and OSP rules about e-bike restrictions. E-ride HB 3626, sensible and enforceable definitions and rules regarding micro-mobility, sets the stage for good

regulations. In partner with industry, ODOT, and universities. E-bike subsidy bill with Rep Gamba. Get more commercial funding for micromobility.

Challenge to you: sign petition, stay optimistic and share with others. Build alliances!

Questions:

Scott: how would the e-bike subsidy be funded?

Sarah: DEQ, but it's still being hammered out and it is not a sure thing. E-bikes provide great access and cost reduction.

Mindy: Good point on ebike as second vehicle. This will improve travel access to healthcare appointments, and so much more

Make improvement to ODOT orphan highways to transfer to local jurisdictions

Petition has 9 days left

7:01 p.m. – Mt. Scott Trail, Scott Hoelscher and Dale Guenther

In happy valley, looking at the southern terminus which is county road and doesn't have great sight distance.

Main north south connecting sun side to king, the trail runs along Scott Creek, existing gravel trail. City of Happy Valley received 1-million-dollar ODOT grant to make ADA compliant. It terminates, essentially nowhere on 129th and there's really minimal sight distance. The city has not planned any improvements. The city owns the land and could pave up to the crossing. In theory, children who attend the neighboring elementary school could walk to school using the trail.

Kelli: are these \roads city of county?

Scott: subject area is city. We would have to draft a letter to the city, and potentially a coworker could create a map to show them.

Steve: this fix seems like it'd be pretty low-cost, to accommodate the trail

Dale: include striping for the crosswalk too.

Kelli: what was the City's response?

Dale: they said the sight lines weren't there for the trail terminus location

Steve: I am motioning for a letter to happy valley to consider Dale's suggestion.

Bruce: seconded

Passed!

7:13 p.m. – 172nd Avenue Design – Jonathan Hangartner, Clackamas County

Scott: Jonathan is a County Civil engineer,

We are filling in the gaps, as a joint project with Happy Valley, that developers left. One example is after Scouters Mountain elementary putting in landscaping strips and shared paths. Had good public comment, designed the alternative to a 60% level. I will share the open house presentation.

Link to see project webpage:

Filling in gaps between scouters mountain (slightly to the north) and Misty/Vogel , 13-foot shared use path.

Median helps prevent head-on collisions that turns into a turn lane pocket. Adding a frontage road so homes don't take direct access to 172nd, also making more connections, doing half street (south side) of SE Troge road. Significant habitat improvements.

Happy valley is working on new downtown development; this road project will make a connection to it.

Schedule: Design March 2023 – Winter 2026, Construction: Spring 2027 – Winter 2028. Funded by City of Happy Valley and shared funds.

Stormwater management will have bioswales that help clean the water.

You can sign up for project updates

Bruce: Does the culvert have a natural bottom? Metal will harm fish Jonathan: it will have a natural bottom per ODFW requirements.

7:27 p.m. – Minutes Approval

Bruce: motion to approve with typos corrected

Steve: second

Kelli: any discussion

Motion passes

7:29 p.m. – Travel Options Action Plan – Scott Hoelscher and Anthony DeSimone Clackamas County

MentiMeter for feedback on incentives to transportation demand management programs.

Survey Result Summary

- · Very Useful benefits:
 - A \$5 daily employer-paid benefit for commuting by a mode other than driving (14% said very useful)
 - Secure, convenient bicycle parking (13%)
 - Real-time transit arrival information displays (12%)
- "What else, if anything, would be helpful to encourage you to try travel options?" (Open-ended)
 - Nothing (23%)
 - o Improved walking or biking infrastructure (12%)
 - Safety improvements on public transit (8%)

Top 6 ranked strategies, we want to understand which travel option is the most useful.

| 1st | A \$5 daily employer-paid tax-exempt benefit for commuting by a mode other than driving |
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| 2nd | Real-time transit arrival information displays |
| 3rd | Online resources to assist trip planning (such as an online County bicycle map) |
| 4th | Subsidized/reimbursed transit pass program |
| 5th | Receiving free or discounted bikeshare passes |
| 6th | Secure, convenient bike parking |

Kelli: 3 is the most useful



What (non-infrastructure) strategies not listed above would be impactful to offering you more transportation choices?

Mindy: e-bikes, Ebike rebates or incentives, education. Generally, ebikes are likely the way of the future as an additional mode of transportation for families. Low income or otherwise Steve: showers at work.

Scott: that's something that could be required by Zoning and Development Ordinance Scott: are people aware of the County Connect shuttles?

Some are, and some aren't

What areas of urban Clackamas county where targeting these strategies would be particularly impactful?

Two responses for Canby, and access to Willamette Falls

Anthony: what local organizations to which you'd be receptive to hearing about transportation programs?

- Street Trust
- City

- Library
- Flyers in mail (county logo, postcard sized)
- Farmer's Markets
- City, State, County websites having links to Strava, Ride with GPS
- Street fairs and festivals, posting at bike hub facilities at parks

7:52 p.m. – Hot Spots | SRTS Poster Contest | Project Idea – Mpact Conference Bike Tour https://www.mpactmobility.org/conference/future-conferences/

Scott: Walk Bike plan adoption, final step is hearing before the BCC next Tuesday (May 13th) at 11 am. Written and oral testimony can come a long way in helping projects get adopted.

Lots of SRTS entries, will be sent out for judging.

During our monthly check-in, we've discussed projects, Kelli had a great suggestion for doing a bike rodeo. There is also a conference (see link). Clackamas County is discussing leading a bike tour for the county, something that's an idea if anyone has interest in helping with planning.

8:00 p.m. - Adjourn
Steve Motion to adjourn
passes

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