

METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT PAVEMENT ENGINEERS COUNCIL
Meeting Minutes from Friday, March 2, 2007

Agenda

Chairman Pat Kennedy called the meeting to order at 1:53 p.m. The meeting was held at the Town of Parker, 9200 Molsenbocker Road, Parker, Colorado. Introductions were made. Those in attendance were Ron Martinez (Town of Parker), Carl Armijo (Town of Castle Rock), Jim Katzer (Arapahoe County), Chris Hinton (RTD), Julie Christensen (Tensar), Richard Hess (CST), Pat Kennedy (City & County of Denver), Jamie Johnson (RMCC), Dave Potter (City & County of Denver) and Pamela Weimer (MGPEC). The agenda was approved.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 29, 2007 at the City & County of Denver, 5440 Roslyn Street, Denver, Colorado.

Meeting Minutes

Dave Potter made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Jim Katzer seconded the motion and the minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report

In Vern Tabert's absence, Pat Kennedy presented the Treasurer's Report. There is a current balance of \$8792.07 in the checking account with a balance of \$3176.17 in CD's for a total of \$11968.24. These balances include 2007 membership dues. There will be a few bills coming in over the next few months that will be paid out of the checking account. Dave Potter made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report, Carl Armijo seconded and the Report was approved.

Asphalt Thickness Design Equations Issue

There have been no changes since the last meeting on the status of the software update. Dave Potter will contact Tom Pieters and see how the update is progressing.

Smoothness Task Force

The last Task Force meeting was held January 17th. The goal is still to promote a "Best Practices" paper with input from CAPA and ACPA. Tom Clayton is working on reformatting the asphalt part of the paper so that the recommendations are more aligned with CDOT. The paper will be split into two sections: percent improvement in rebuilding roads and a raw smoothness number in new construction. Dave Potter will put together an attachment that MGPEC will send out asking for help with obtaining data.

Subgrade Stabilization Task Force

The Task Force met February 15th. There has been progress on Item 5. The group is working on refining the language of the update. Dave Potter said there

will be a secondary task force after this work is complete, that will work on a separate Item number that addresses how to deal with mechanically stabilized subgrade. The Town of Parker will be running a project testing how to stabilize addressing edge cracking. Jamie Johnson (RMCC) handed out information from the Texas Transport Institute about two research projects: 1.) Development of Procedures to Evaluate Cement Stabilization of Difficult Soils and 2.) Improvements in Design and Construction Procedures for Cement-Treated Soils. The Institute is looking for data and will provide free testing. If more information is needed please contact Jamie Johnson at jjohnson@cementcouncil.org or www.cement.org/pavements. The next Task Force meeting will be held March 15, 2007 at Arapahoe County, 10730 E. Briarwood Avenue, Centennial, at noon. The group plans to work on Section 5.4.

Annual Meeting

Due to the weather related issues over the past few months delaying availability of members to work on the Annual Meeting, it was decided to change the date. Pamela Weimer will e-mail Vern Tabert to contact Centerpoint to see what dates would be available for holding the meeting in late April. The group discussed various topics and subjects for the meeting. See the attached planning worksheet for details on the sessions and speakers chosen. One topic that came up was snow removal and damage to roads as a result. The group felt this might be a good topic for a Task Force in 2007. Dave Potter will talk with Rodger Young (CPP Engineering) for his input. MGPEC could spend some of their funds to do research on this issue. Pamela Weimer will contact Rodger to see if would be available for the next meeting to discuss this issue. The Annual Meeting and the workshops will be sponsored by MGPEC, CAPA, ACPA and Tensar.

Steering Committee Elections and Ballots

Pat Kennedy, Tom Pieters and Vern Taber are up for re-election. There are two spots open on the steering committee. The group would like to have people involved from the north and west side of the metro area. If anyone is interested or know of someone who might be, please contact Vern Tabert at vtabert@co.arapahoe.co.us. The ballots are sent out at the same time as the Annual Meeting flyer. Ballots are due back by the date of the Annual Meeting.

Adjournment

Pat Kennedy adjourned the meeting at 3:40 p.m.