

Open Discussion

Pat discussed his upcoming trip to Salt Lake City to talk about MGPEC at the Annual Rocky Mountain Pavement Preservation Partnership (RMPP) meeting. He asked MGPEC to help fund part of his trip with The City and County of Denver funding the other portions of his trip. Discussion took place among the committee members. A motion was made by Jim Katzer to pay for Pat's hotel expenses for his stay in Salt Lake City with an amount not to exceed \$400. The motion was seconded by Tom Pieters and the motion was approved unanimously. Pat will submit an invoice of expenditures that MGPEC will pay for at the September meeting.

Bob Locander explained that CDOT is using the discount rate for projecting costs which does not include inflation. They are also comparing using the construction cost index.

Dave Potter asked the group a few questions:

Who should one contact at DRCOG for traffic predictions/forecasts? Steve Rudy
How to predict traffic growth factors? Compound growth calculations are usually performed but the simple method can be used.

Pat mentioned how important it was to predict an accurate amount of future traffic, "The cost of under predicting traffic is more costly than over predicting traffic".

Tom Pieters mentioned that Asphalt Specialties is using shingles in their asphalt mixes. A recent job of theirs is located on 74th east of Sheridan. The mix when placed on this job was soft at 160 but firmed up at 150. Tom also indicated that the warm mix that Aurora had placed is performing well. Tom Clayton mentioned that Roof to Roads is holding a Webinar in November about this process.

Tom Clayton also mentioned the progress is being made using Crumb Rubber in asphalt mixes. Greeley is holding an open house and Colorado Springs is also using quite a bit of rubberized asphalt. There are two processes: wet (Eco Path- at the plant) and terminal blend (Wright Brothers – trucked in). The addition of the rubber was bumping the binder from a 58-28 to better than a 64-28. One benefit that could be realized with this process is quieter roads. Extra costs are in the range of \$10 per ton.

Tom Clayton also mentioned that there will be an Asphalt Producer meeting in November.

Jamie Johnson handed out information on whitetopping published by ACPA.

Tom Clayton mentioned that webinars are being sponsored by CARS and free to County employees. He will forward Pam a link to upcoming and past webinars. Past webinars are available on their website www.co-asphalt.com.

Adjournment

Chairman Pat Kennedy thanked everyone for coming and adjourned the meeting at 2:37 p.m.