

METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT PAVEMENT ENGINEERS COUNCIL
Thursday, December 10, 2009

Agenda

Chairman Pat Kennedy called the meeting to order at 1:37 p.m. Self introductions were made. Those in attendance were Jamie Johnson (ACPA/PCA), Scott Dunn (Tencate/Mirafi), Richard Hess (CST), James Katzer (Arapahoe County), Vern Tabert (Arapahoe County), Tom Clayton (CAPA), Don Clem (PCA), Angela Reid (JR Engineering), Russ Higgins (City of Wheat Ridge), Craig Young (CPP Engineering), Julie Christensen (Tensar), Mike Skinner (Stantec), Carl Armijo (Town of Castle Rock), Matt Condon (City of Thornton), and Gregg Tateyama (Terracon).

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, January 21, 2010 at 1:30 p.m. at the Arapahoe County Public Works office located at 10730 E. Briarwood Avenue, Suite 100, Centennial, Colorado.

Meeting Minutes

There were no corrections to the minutes. Jim Katzer made a motion to approve the September meeting minutes, seconded by Carl Armijo, and the motion was unanimously approved. Russ Higgins made a motion to approve the October meeting minutes, seconded by Vern Tabert, and the motion was unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report

Jim Katzer presented the Treasurer's Report. The current balance of the checking account is \$6,524.93. The savings account balance is \$3,410.39 for a total of \$9,935.32. Russ Higgins made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Vern Tabert, and the motion was unanimously approved.

Asphalt Thickness Design Equations Issue

Don Clem and Tom Clayton gave Dave contact information of graduation programs to get help with finalizing the asphalt design equations. Pat will be following up with contacts at University of Colorado at Denver. The current design equations have rounding errors that can indicate thicker sections at times when there is actually improved subgrade soils.

2009 MGPEC Task Forces

Life-Cycle Cost Analysis – Tom Clayton provided the update. The task force met at the end of October for the kick-off meeting and will meet again on January 14th for the second meeting at the CAPA office located at 6880 S. Yosemite Ct., Centennial.

Roadway Rehabilitation – Steve Olsen was not present to provide an update. Steve has planned meetings at CDOT's N Holly offices for the following dates: December 29th, January 19th, February 9th, and March 16th.

Subgrade Preparation – They are revisiting chemical and geogrids and adding geotextiles.

2010 MGPEC Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting will be held on Monday April 5th. The potential topics include: pavement preservation, warm mix with recycled asphalt shingles and rubberized asphalt, smoothness, MGPEC specification review, MGPEC software update, and geosynthetics. Please submit topics and speakers to Pat and/or Pam. Task forces will present their status and/or recommendations at the next meeting. The steering committee would like to advertise more to get a broader audience. The location will be in the Littleton Conference Rooms at Centerpoint Plaza, 14980 E. Alameda Dr. Aurora, Co.

Open Discussion

Carl Armijo asked about asphalt plants that were open this time of year. The plants mentioned were LaFarge, Aggregate Industries, and Brannan.

Don Clem mentioned a training opportunity called Innovative Technologies for Pavements to be held on January 7, 2010.

Tom Clayton also mentioned training opportunities in the form of seminars. One was HMA Construction Seminar on December 15 and 16th.

The Rocky Mountain Asphalt Conference will be held February 24th – 26th. Some of the training sessions of the conference will also be available on the web.

ACPA will be hosting a one day conference on St Patricks Day (March 17, 2010) at the Wildlife Experience at Lincoln Avenue and Peoria St. The cost is \$0 for agencies and \$45 for private companies.

Pat provided an update on his meeting in Utah when he presented information on MGPEC at the RMPPR annual meeting. It is larger version of MGPEC at the state level, which meets by teleconference once a month and have an annual meeting once a year. It includes 8 states, including Alaska. Pat joined the steering committee. One of their goals is to educate small jurisdictions. They have been discussing the contents of asphalts cements.

Tom Clayton mentioned that asphalt prices are predicted to stay flat and asked locals to fill out a survey to predict paving needs for 2010.

Tom Clayton handed out FHWA pavement distress identification handbook. You can order these online for free.

Adjournment

Chairman Pat Kennedy thanked everyone for coming and adjourned the meeting at 2:30 p.m.