

WALLA WALLA CITY TRANSPORTATION BENEFIT DISTRICT
Regular Meeting Minutes
June 12, 2013

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Plucker called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Board Members Jim Barrow, Conrado Cavazos, Jr., Barbara Clark, Jerry Cummins, Mary Lou Jenkins, and President Chris Plucker.

Absent: Board Member Shane Laib.

City staff in attendance: City Manager Nabel Shawa, City Attorney Tim Donaldson, Public Works Director Ki Bealey, Finance Manager Jean Teasdale, Engineer Monte Puymon, and City Clerk Kammy Hill.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Andy Pryor, PO Box 87, Dixie, expressed concerns with the Rose Street project. The sales tax increase is not being used according to the plan and the material change to the project didn't go before the Transportation Improvement Advisory Committee.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of minutes of the regular meeting held January 9, 2013.

Board Member Cummins moved to approve Consent Agenda Item A. Board Member Barrow seconded the motion. The motion unanimously carried with 6 yes votes and 0 no votes.

4. ACTIVE AGENDA

Report by Monte Puymon on Transportation Benefit District Activities:

- TBD sales tax revenue year to date versus projections.
- Rose Street bid and construction schedule.
- Current contract for sycamore tree work in advance of Rose Street construction.
- Plans for construction of 2014 projects: Rose Street (2nd Avenue to 13th Avenue) and Wilbur Avenue (Whitman Street to Pleasant Street).
- Tentative plans for construction 2015-2017.

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Engineer Puymon introduced Deborah LaCombe, transportation planning coordinator, for the Walla Walla Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization. Mr. Puymon also reviewed:

- The revenue projections are coming in on target.
- Rose Street project is out to bid with the bid opening scheduled for June 20. Staff hopes the award will be made by Council on June 26 with construction to start on July 8. The construction project will be eighty-five working days.
- There will be six sycamore trees removed along Rose Street to meet sight distance requirements for streets intersecting with Rose Street. Additional work will be done to improve the tree canopy.
- Future transportation benefit district projects.

There was discussion on lack of irrigation for street trees along this corridor and whether the removed trees will be replaced with other trees at a different location.

No action was taken.

B. Approval of minutes of the special meeting held March 27, 2013.

Board member Barrow moved to approve the minutes of the special meeting held March 27, 2013. Board Member Cummins seconded the motion. The motion unanimously carried with 5 yes votes, 0 no votes, and 1 abstention by Board Member Cavazos.

5. UNFINISHED & NEW BUSINESS

There was no new or unfinished business.

6. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Board Member Cummins moved to adjourn. Board Member Jenkins seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m.