

August 2017 SRTMC Ops Board Agenda
1300 16 August 2017, STA, 1230 W Boone,
Spokane WA 99201

Call to Order

Roll Call/Record of Attendance

Public Comments

Consent Agenda

- 5 minutes -Fred
 - a) Approval of SRTMC expenses to include grant and partner funds
 - b) Approval of SRTMC activity reports
 - c) Approval of July meeting minutes

Old Business

- Status of IT work
 - 15 Minutes-Ryan/Steve
- Operations update
 - 10 Minutes-Mike
- ATMS update
 - 10 Minutes-Ken

New Business

- ITS Architecture project discussion
 - 90 Minutes-Ken/Board

Agency Updates

- 10 minutes – All

Future Agenda Items

Adjournment

Meeting was called to order at 1303

Roll Call/Record of Attendance: Fred Nelson, Ryan Kipp, Andy Schenk, Nate Thompson, Ken Heale, Katie Kempel, Steve Milatz, Ryan Medenwaldt, Mike Kress, Sabrina Minshall, Kathleen Weinand, and Glenn Wagemann

Public comment was called for. No public comment

Consent Agenda

a) Approval of SRTMC expenses to include grant and partner funds

A motion to approve was made by Andy, seconded by Ryan K. No discussion, unanimous approval. Motion carries.

b) Approval of SRTMC activity reports

A motion to approve was made by Nate, seconded by Andy. No discussion, unanimous approval. Motion carries.

c) Approval of May Meeting Minutes

A motion to approve was made by Andy, seconded by Glenn. No discussion, unanimous approval. Motion carries.

Old Business

- **Status of IT work –**

Fred started by congratulating Ryan M on his permanent position with the SRTMC. Steve has spent time working with Intelight on updating the MaxView software. Steve worked with Iteris and Parsons on correcting an issue discovered with the PeMS server. He attended the supervisor's Performance Management training. He also supported two-day training sessions for the new iNet and ATMS. Ryan M has continued working with Parsons on integration of the ATMS. He worked with WSDOT WebApps team on integrating new software with the TMC log. Ryan M migrated snapshot services to the new iNET server for WSDOT's website. He spent time resolving an issue on the website found during testing where images were not refreshing. Ryan M performed trouble shooting with some non-standard CCTV cameras where we can view camera feed but cannot receive data. Glenn asked if there has been any issues with the new Pelco cameras. Ryan M mentioned he has been working with the cameras and was able to get feed and functionality. He also worked with WSDOT Signals to create a new endpoint to allow iNET to request specific weather stations. Ryan M also attended the iNET training sessions.

- **Operations update –**

Mike Kress mentioned the SIT testing and has been working with Parsons on final documents. He attended the iNET operators training and received good feedback. Mike also participated in the I-90 operations study. He mentioned the study came up with six significant solutions to reduce crashes and fatalities. He is still working on TIM training coordination as well as the Ferry information line, which will require new equipment. Mike talked about the big impact to traffic on the bridge joint replacement work on I-90. An after action review took place after completion, which was helpful in learning what worked well and what didn't. Mike presented the idea to perform a multi jurisdiction after action review to receive input from the different jurisdictions. They have begun the process to reallocate a TMC operator position to a Supervisor position, four operators applied and interviews will be held on September 7th. Mike mentioned he cut leave short to attend a meeting in Tacoma on the Work Zone Database. The database will provide a list of all projects, current and upcoming, in the next week. It will allow agencies to view what work is taking place, where, and what restrictions and lane closures will be taking place. Mike would like to present the same idea to all surrounding agencies and see if it is something that may be interested in. Andy mentioned COS will be purchasing a similar program to see all permits that are being processed and impact the roadway. Nate mentioned the County has developed a similar project to view by map, but is for county projects only. The idea is to have each office update their own work but would also be viewable to everyone. Sabrina mentioned they have one that is updated every year for each agency that is available to the public, but everything has to be entered manually.

- **ATMS Update-**

Ken started by talking about the SIT test, which had 291 requirements pass and 15 fail. Two major fails were the TMC log and the Highway Advisory radios. Ken mentioned there are three different types of HARS and each have three tests, two of each three failed. Final SIT was scheduled for August 17th, which Parsons cancelled on August 15th with no explanation and has been unreachable. Ken added that Parsons does not receive the remainder of compensation until the SIT is completed and passed, which is approximately \$400k. Ken added he will not allow the test to move forward without explanation for failures and will not perform a test again knowing that it will fail. Ken mentioned the ATMS training went well and will be sending everyone an email with an update once the status is known.

New Business

- **ITS Architecture project discussion –**

Ken met with Anna and Eve (SRTC) to understand the project benefit scoring criteria for the upcoming call for projects. He also met with Glenn and Andy due to their experience with the grant process. Ken previously asked everyone to bring in their top two projects to get an idea of what the highest priority projects will be. He discussed looking at the top two or three across all agencies looking for any synergy that can be gained by tying projects together. Andy mentioned he met with

Ken and Glenn and also sat with Val to discuss their projects. They approached it differently and came up with a top six. Their number one is to make sure that the TMC Operations are funded. Of the remaining five, the top two will tie with additional agencies and are dependent on whether the other agencies will partner with them, if not those projects will go down in priority. WSDOT came up with top two, in which the first one ties with COS top priority. Ryan K with COSV came up with two highest priorities with one possibly tying in with WSDOT. They already have conduit in place in most of the area and will only need to install conduit for a little over a mile. Nate with Spokane County came up with a high priority but mentioned it could possibly be a regional project. The county also came up with two additional projects, one of which may tie in with COS. Fred mentioned STA is very dependent on all agencies and thinks we can regionally benefit from the Central City Line project, but would need agreement from all agencies. The other priority is the West Plains Design and Construction project, which would also need cooperation with WSDOT. The additional project would be the Cheney Corridor but that also ties in with the West Plains. STA has already received a grant for the Central City Line and will not request an additional grant for this specific project. Sabrina mentioned getting a regional perspective to understand the benefits to all agencies to provide an outcome or result. She mentioned the Elected officials will need to know why and the purpose of each project, defining value in order to approve funding. Glenn added that the previous application form does not fit well for defining the ITS projects. Sabrina mentioned a couple different approaches such as grouping projects by corridors. Andy added they have been doing what is requested and have answered the questions being asked, but is asking Sabrina what needs to be done to get approved funding. Sabrina believes the list looks very jurisdictional and looks as though all agencies are competing against each other rather than benefitting regionally. Sabrina mentioned possibly bringing people in to educate the Executives on what value ITS projects bring, so they understand what is being requested and the benefit. Andy asked if there is anything we can do as agencies to help SRTC, such as knowing real time data and traffic counts by implementing the Bluetooth readers. Sabrina believes that would be beneficial on the key corridors and roads. Ken mentioned other options; but they may require a third party vendor with continual costs that need to be planned into all future budgets and it may not be the most cost effective route. Ken proposed taking the information back and creating a new list inputting only top priorities and grouping by regional benefits. He added getting together to discuss scoring and possibly having someone come in from Parsons Brinckerhoff to present to the SRTC board.

Agency Updates

- **WSDOT-** I-90 operations study- RA has made decision to remove discussions about Walnut EB Ramp closure. Plan to have construction plans next year for ramp meters.
- **STA-** Nothing new
- **Spokane County-** New positions posted; Assistant Traffic Engineer and a couple Transportation Development Services.
- **COS-** Continuing ongoing construction.
- **COSV-** Ray Wright will be the voting member and Ryan K will be the alternate upon Ray's return.

- **SRTC-** Received two new staff members starting August 28th and September 5th.

Future Agenda Items

Adjournment

Adjourned 1449