

U.S. HIGHWAY 30 COALITION MEETING MINUTES
FRIDAY, October 2, 2009

The U.S. Highway 30 Coalition met on Friday, October 2, 2009, in the Fisher Community Center in Marshalltown, Iowa, at 10:00 a.m. There were 38 members and guests in attendance. Chair Edith Pfeffer, opened the meeting, greeting those assembled.

Carolyn Tallett, reported the minutes were mailed to all members earlier in the year. They were approved as sent. Treasurer, Carol Lamont reported a balance of \$3,612.32. The report was approved as presented. A list of the 2009 Coalition Membership was provided, There were 69 recorded members, representing City, County, business, industry, and interest individuals. The 2010 membership letter is being prepared and will be sent by the end of the year.

OLD BUSINESS: Edith reported that the IDOT Public Input Meeting on October 13 will be at the Isle of Capri in Bettendorf. A Clinton contingent will attend and Edith is on the agenda for the U.S. 30 Coalition. She plans to thank the Commission for the work in Tama and Clinton County, and will thank the Commission for working on corridor presentation at Mt. Vernon/Lisbon. She told of a corridor concern at Lisbon which is being addressed. Lindi Roelofse, Tama Co. Economic Director, brought slides for Edith's use at the presentation.

U.S. Highway 30 Corridor Study has not been completed, but has been promised for the December meeting. Chris Whittaker is preparing the Study.

In a Congressional Update we were informed that the Carroll/Glidden transportation funding request request will be made in the spring, 2010. Edith reported making a request of Congressman Braley for Clinton, and Congressman Loeb sack for Mt. Vernon/Lisbon.

NEW BUSINESS: Edith introduced our feature speaker, Scott Newhard of Associated General Contractors of Iowa, who spoke about prospects for 2010 road funding and political strategy. His presentation was informative and stressed the need for new revenue and a predictable funding source for highways, Time 21 was a good start, but additional revenues must be found. Scott informed us of the Governor's I-Jobs, bonding plan funded from gambling revenue. The federal stimulus bill was good for Iowa, and Iowa was second in the nation for these funds, with Wyoming #1. Iowa averaged 1,200 new jobs with stimulus funds, a total of 2,095 jobs in Iowa's road construction industry have been created or sustained by the stimulus act. (A copy of the "Projects Let By the Department of Transportation", statistical information provided by Scott is enclosed with the minutes.) He discussed several opportunities to bring in additional revenue, a gas tax, which he prefers, but Governor Culver opposes, and vehicle miles traveled plan under consideration. Scott urged that we go to Des Moines to lobby for additional Time 21 Funds.

The Coalition has set Wednesday, January 27, 2010, for lobbying day at the Iowa Legislature. We will request additional funds for TIME 21.

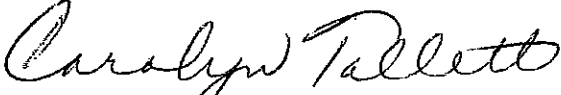
A motion to host the Legislature's Annual Ice Cream Social in March, 2010, was made by Pam Wood, second by Jim Gossett, ayes all. Edith will tend to the details, and invitations will be sent. There is a \$2.99 limit for legislators. A form for reporting a legislative event is available on line and one will be completed.

Mike Clayton, IDOT, reported that Tiger Grants were submitted for Dubuque, Ames, Polk County, and the Railroad Bridge in Clinton.

The meeting was adjourned in due form.

The next meeting will be at the Story County Administration Building, 906 - 6th Street, Nevada, Iowa, (go North off Hwy.30 on to 6th.)

Submitted by,



Carolyn Tallett,
Secretary

A special thank you to Don Wanatee, Council, Sac & Fox Tribe, for bringing maps of the original Lincoln Highway through the Meskwaki Settlement.