

**SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 4, 2012
7:00 P.M.**

Note to persons reviewing this document: This is not a verbatim transcript. While an attempt has been made to document pertinent points, these minutes contain only a summary of the discussion and voting.

Mayor Ed Huber called the special council meeting to order on October 4, 2012 at 7:00 pm.

Council members present: Harry Gibbons, Mary Branon, George Davidson, Valerie Spurrell and Brian Kauffman.

Others present: Randy Noble of TD&H and Cheryl Loeffler.

Randy Noble presented to the council a breakdown of all the change orders regarding the E. Main Street Rehabilitation Project. These change orders included the additional saw cutting, placing the rock instead of hydro seeding, striping changes, restoration of the disposal site and various other small changes. It also listed who was responsible to fund these changes, Transportation Improvement Board, TD&H or Cameron-Reilly, the contractor. The main focus of the meeting tonight was to discuss the failed concrete and the railroad crossing change orders.

UPRR is requiring that the ADA truncated domes (the yellow bumpy area on the sidewalks) be placed at 12 feet from the tracks. Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) specifications all state that they need to be placed 6-15 feet from the centerline of the nearest track, which they are currently. Since that area of the sidewalk is reinforced and the domes are actually sunk into the cement, the entire area needs to be removed and replaced. The railroad is also requiring that the small areas between the tracks be paved and the striped parking be removed. This work will all be performed by Cameron-Reilly with an estimated cost of \$22,000.00.

The driveway/sidewalk that failed was discussed. Ed first expressed that himself and the council are watching out for the citizens and taxpayers of Fairfield. They cannot agree to pay out more funds without explanations and research as to the cause of the failure. Ed explained we had talked with Bill McCammon who is from the local programs office of WSDOT and works with federal projects. Mr. McCammon commented that the town should get the inspector's diaries, concrete testing results and compression tests from the area from our consultant. He also expressed that the concrete should be classified 4,000 psi. When asked, Randy stated that the concrete was reinforced with rebar and is 4,000 psi and that they used the current WSDOT standard specifications. Another possibility is that the cure time was not long enough and the area was driven over to early. Perhaps scale records from Co-Ag could help document when traffic started over the concrete. Randy expressed that he will be overseeing the demolition of the concrete to make sure that the project was done correctly.

Ed and the council expressed that the taxpayers of Fairfield and TIB have done nothing wrong and should not be expected to pay. He is also not accusing anyone of mistakes but is expecting the documentation to be provided to back up what is being said about the quality of the concrete. It was also brought up that the corrections need to be completed very soon and that determination of liability will be after the work is done.

ACTION

Mary motioned to approve the change orders as outlined contingent on assignment of liability on driveway failure and pending negotiations for the railroad change items with Cameron Reilly; seconded by Brian. The motion carried.

Adjourn:

The regular meeting adjourned 9.05pm.



Mayor Ed Huber



Clerk/Treasurer Cheryl Loeffler