

METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT PAVEMENT ENGINEERS COUNCIL
Thursday, March 29, 2007

Agenda

Chairman Pat Kennedy called the meeting to order at 1:36 p.m. The meeting was held at the City & County of Denver, 5440 Roslyn Street, Denver, Colorado. Those in attendance were Rodger Young (CPP Engineering), Jeff Kay (RTD), Thanh Ly (RTD), Mike Hale (City of Lafayette), Jim Katzer (Arapahoe County), Pat Kennedy (City & County of Denver), Bob Locander (CDOT), Rich Katzer (Carter & Burgess), Ron Martinez (Town of Parker), Jamie Johnson (RMCC), Richard Hess (CST), Russ Higgins (City of Wheat Ridge), Vern Tabert (Arapahoe County) and Pamela Weimer (MGPEC). The agenda was approved with the revision of the Annual Meeting date.

Next Meeting

The next meeting location will be determined and sent out to the database by e-mail at that time.

Meeting Minutes

Jim Katzer made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Ron Martinez seconded and the minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report

Vern Tabert presented the Treasurer's Report. There is a current balance of \$9366.47 in the checking account with \$3176.17 in CD's for a total of \$12542.64. This total includes 2007 membership dues.

Asphalt Thickness Design Equations Issue

No current update was available.

Smoothness Task Force

Tom Clayton (CAPA) had e-mailed an update to Pat Kennedy that he shared with the group.

"CDOT has a task force that has been meeting to address the smoothness issue. The next scheduled meeting of the joint smoothness task force will be on Thursday, April 5, 2007. Operator certification sessions have occurred at RMAEC and CDOT has held the certification of the equipment over the past couple of weeks. Anybody utilizing the HSP for smoothness in their local jurisdiction should require certified operators and equipment.

The local agency specification based on the CDOT urban percent improvement section is nearly written. I would hope to have it completed by the April meeting. This will be mainly for HMA, however, it could be applied to PCCP with minimal change.

At the local agency roundtable on February 28, an offer was placed on the table for local agencies to determine an acceptable level of smoothness in their jurisdictions. If you would like additional information of how to take advantage of this, contact Tom Clayton at CAPA (tomclayton@co-asphalt.com) or 303-741-6148.

A training session on understanding the HSP will be presented by RMAEC on Wednesday May 2, 2007. The high speed profilers operators group will be resurrected in the next few months to deal with issues on CDOT projects and dealing with the challenges of performing HSP in local

agencies. The group is made up of those who have HSP equipment or have an interest in the technology.

No additional information is available that is different since the January meeting. More information should be available at the next meeting.”

Rodger Young (CPP Engineering) commented that the certification is good but needs to go further. The operators need to know the specifications and people involved need to know how to read the reports. It will probably be another 2-3 years before a standard is developed because it will require a lot of data. After CDOT issues their specification, MGPEC will look at what needs to be done so that it can be applied to urban environments which is why it is so important for MGPEC task force members to be involved and educated.

Subgrade Stabilization Task Force

Vern Tabert (Arapahoe County) reported that the group has gone through the specification line by line and addressed issues. There were a few comments after the last revision that the group is working on and should be ready for Steering Committee recommendation at the April meeting. The group may continue to work on the specification by expanding the scope. The next meeting will cover mechanical stabilization and will be held Thursday, April 19, 12 noon – 2:30 p.m. at Kumar & Associates, 2390 Lipan Street, Denver, Colorado.

Snow Removal / Damage to Roadways

Discussion took place regarding pavement management systems. The City & County of Denver is looking to see what this last winter has done to the roads. Potholes are directly related to how well roads are maintained. It's important to look at what the maintenance program is (i.e. seal coat, crackseal, etc.) Its important to evaluate the program, evaluate what has been done in the past under what conditions, and how it was addressed, and how well it worked. Its better to spend money up front because it will save money in the long run (repairs). Its also important to spend money to inspect jobs.

Tom Clayton (CAPA) has information on a training session being presented at RMAEC for maintenance and repair of HMA pavements on Friday, May 4, 2007. For more information please contact Tom at tomclayton@co-asphalt.com.

Pat Kennedy will lead a roundtable discussion at the Annual Meeting to see if there is interest in forming a task force addressing this issue.

Annual Meeting

Speakers and topics have been confirmed. Speakers will need to provide their own laptops. Vern Tabert will arrange microphones and room set-up at Centerpoint. The workshops will be sponsored by MGPEC, CAPA, ACPA, and Tensar. Expenses for printing and mailing costs will be split among the groups. MGPEC will provide rolls, coffee and lunch. The Annual Meeting flyers will go out the week of April 9.

Ballots

Ballots are set and will go out the same time as the Annual Meeting flyer.

Open Discussion

Bob Locander (CDOT) advised the group about a specification that has been developed concerning cold milling / texturing. The industry asked for a standard so CDOT developed a specification and Colorado Procedure for the macrotexture of cold milling.

Adjournment

Pat Kennedy adjourned the meeting at 2:50 p.m.