

**COUNCIL SPECIAL
MEETING**

**December 3, 2005
10:00 a.m.**

MINUTES

City of



The City of Bonney Lake's Mission is to protect the community's livable identity and scenic beauty through responsible growth planning and by providing accountable, accessible and efficient local government services.

"Where Dreams Can Soar"

Location: Public Safety Building—Training Room – at 18421 Old Sumner-Buckley Highway.

Call to Order: Bonney Lake Mayor Robert Young called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

Elected Officials Attendance Sign-in:

City of Bonney Lake: Mayor Bob Young, Deputy Mayor Dan Swatman, Councilmember Phil DeLeo, Councilmember Mark Hamilton, Councilmember Neil Johnson and Councilmember James Rackley.

City of Orting: Mayor Dale Jones, Councilmember Doug Bishop, Councilmember Scott Drennan, Councilmember Dick Ford, Councilmember Stanley Holland, Councilmember Veronica Kuebler and Councilmember Cheryl Temple.

City of Sumner: Councilmember Mike Connor, Councilmember Dave Enslow and Councilmember Ed Hannus.

Pierce County: Councilmember Shawn Bunney

Additional Participation: Appointed staff from each of the Cities and County, as well as representatives from the Washington State Department of Transportation, private consultants, the Cascadia Development, members of the press and private citizens were in attendance.

Agenda Items

1. Welcome and Introductions.

Mayor Young welcomed participants and invited self-introductions by those in attendance. Facilitator, Bonney Lake Councilmember Mark Hamilton, also welcomed participants. He said the Traffic Summit was organized to facilitate an open discussion on the future transportation needs of East Pierce County. He said he hoped the gathered jurisdictions would better understand how they can cooperate to achieve their common interests and receive a more equitable distribution of state transportation funds. Participants were invited to make a statement regarding their purpose in attending the Summit.

2. Facilitated Open Discussions.

The group was invited to identify local priorities for funding within their respective jurisdictions. Common themes included addressing traffic congestion on SR 162, SR 167 and SR 410. Relieving

local congestion was another common theme and desired additional local and regional road connections were identified.

Larry Toedtli of The Transpo Group gave an overview of regional transportation data and projections for regional traffic patterns. Mike Mariano, Mariano & Associates, spoke about the various regional groups and models for joint action by jurisdictions. Attendees discussed whether an existing group or a new group might best represent the attendees' common interests. Pierce County Councilmember Shawn Bunney described the Regional Transportation Investment District and its relationship to the Puget Sound Regional Council, Pierce County Regional Council, Sound Transit and the Regional Access Mobility Project.

After a brief lunch break, Orting City Administrator Mark Bethune announced an Orting Town Hall Meeting on Wednesday, December 7th at 7:00 p.m. to discuss "gridlock" on SR 162. Group discussion continued about methods for joint funding of projects and group representation. Pierce County Councilmember Shawn Bunney announced the next meeting of RAMP on December 14th at 8:00 a.m. at the Tacoma-Pierce County Chamber of Commerce Chamber Building at 9th and Pacific. He invited representation from all the cities in attendance at the Traffic Summit who would then caucus after the meeting to discuss representation issues.

3. Closing Remarks.

Bonney Lake Councilmember Hamilton thanked those in attendance for participating in the Traffic Summit. Members of the group also expressed appreciation to Councilmember Hamilton for organizing the Summit.

5. Adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned by common consent at approximately 2:00 p.m.

Harwood T. Edvalson, CMC
City Clerk

Neil Johnson, Mayor

Documents submitted for or at the Special Council Meeting of December 3, 2005:

- Traffic Summit Workshop Attendees – Sign-in Sheet
- "Welcome to Our Traffic Summit"
- "Regional Travel & Transportation Needs"
- Map of Future Road Improvements
- "A Joint 2005 Legislative Agenda on Transportation" – King County
- Regional Access Mobility Project (RAMP)
- "FAST Corridor – Improving Freight Mobility"
- "South County Area Transportation Board – 2005 Work Program"
- "Bonney Lake Transportation Vision"
- City of Bonney Lake – Six Year Transportation Improvement Program (2006-2011)
- "SR 410/Sumner-Buckley Highway Intersection & Roadway Improvements"
- "Fight Gridlock on SR 162"