

East Side Highway District Board of Commissioners
Special Call Meeting Minutes
February 2, 2022
Meeting Held in Person and via Zoom

1. Call to Order: Chairman Christensen called the meeting to order at 9 a.m.
2. Roll Call:
Present: Commissioner Christensen, Commissioner Sieverding, Commissioner Addington
Also present: Director of Highways Weymouth, Deputy Director Yerian, Clerk Ham, HDR Engineer Daniel Baker P.E., JUB Engineer Angie Comstock P.E.
3. Agenda & Conflicts of Interest:
Motion by Commissioner Sieverding to approve the agenda. Commissioner Addington seconded the motion. The motion carried.
Conflicts of Interest: None
4. New Business: Springston Bridge
Director Weymouth received urgent notification on January 28, 2022 from the Idaho Transportation Department, the State-wide bridge rating authority, to immediately close the bridge, citing significant safety concerns. The Board of Commissioners concurred with Director Weymouth's action to close the bridge on Friday January 28, 2022. HDR Engineering plays an active role with the State's rating program. Mr. Baker shared the bridge's history dating back to the steel truss superstructure manufactured in 1911, then the bridge's transportation from New Plymouth, Idaho to Harrison Idaho in 1955. The presentation provided to Commissioners showed catastrophic and wide-spread rot throughout the timber bents and pilings.
Options discussed are:
 - 1) Closure;
 - 2) Repairs to include:
 - a) Wrap all piling (multiple options to include using a poly injection and/or a corrugated metal pipe wrap with a rebar cage filled with concrete)
 - b) Replace all bracing
 - c) Continue to monitor deck planks
 - d) Still limited by superstructure rating (weight restrictions)
 - e) Restricted traffic to pedestrian & bicycle traffic only (implement appropriate blockades and signage)
 - 3) Replacement – cost comparison to the Canyon Bridge indicates \$8-12M for a new bridge.

Considerations moving forward are the costs, funding sources, low traffic, outreach to LHTAC and the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation. The Board agreed to add Bridge Discussions to the February 14, 2022 Board Meeting Agenda. Director Weymouth will draft a news release for the St. Maries Gazette and the CDA Press.
5. Adjournment: There being no further business, Chairman Christensen adjourned the meeting at 10 a.m.

Graham Christensen, Chairman &
Sub District 1 Commissioner

Angela Sieverding
Sub District 2 Commissioner

Mark Addington
Sub District 3 Commissioner

Rosie Ham
District Clerk