

Minutes of the October 10, 2006
Environmental Task Force Meeting

Attendees: Richard McMullen, Jan Thompson, Darlene Munger, Elaine Smith-Poyourow, Mike Weldon, Mary Thomas, Amanda Gross, John Polster (speaker)

The meeting was called to order by Mike Weldon at 7:25pm. Mike Weldon oversaw meeting in absence of Mike Nowels, chair. Amanda introduced the speaker John Polster.

John Polster, Transportation Consultant spoke on issues of conformity, regional mobility, and the process of environmental assessment. Mr. Polster was able to piggy back on many of the issues introduced by Chris Klaus at the July meeting. Questions were asked and answered throughout the presentation.

After the presentation a motion was made to accept the minutes of July 11, 2006 by Darlene Munger and seconded by Elaine Smith-Poyourow. Motion approved unanimously.

A discussion of upcoming topics ended with a submission from Darlene Munger for a one hour presentation on wildlife assistance programs in the area at the January meeting followed by a one hour business meeting. Elaine Smith-Poyourow suggested creating awards programs for schools who do environmental programs. Mike Weldon asked that she prepare some ideas for the ETF to review at the January meeting.

The problem of poor attendance was discussed lead by Mary Thomas. Darlene Munger suggested that the chair or vice-chair send an email to members asking for more commitments to attend meetings. Mike Weldon agreed to send a friendly email letting people know their presence would be appreciated and that if they no longer wish to serve on the ETF to notify their commissioner to replace them before the January meeting.

Motion made by Rich McMullen to adjourn at 9:15pm seconded by Elaine Smith-Poyourow. Motion approved unanimously.

Next Meeting January 9, 2006