

Wiscasset Transportation Committee
April 7, 2008

Present: Don Jones, Cindy Fischer, Lois Kwantz, Sean Rafter

Our meeting opened at 7:01 PM and we went to a review of the March 3, 2008 minutes. Don clarified that the trip figures through Wiscasset were projections out into 2030. He reiterated that the projections for an average of 33,000 trips per day through the downtown were if no bypass was built; the trips dropped to somewhere between 5400 and 7500 per day with a bypass. According to Don, N8c and N2f have about the same diversion numbers. Sean Rafter moved to accept the March minutes as presented (Cindy Fischer seconded); the vote was 4-0 in favor.

Bypass/Task Force Meetings (see large packet from these meetings): The packet of information that Don handed out covered the following things:

1. It analyzed various combinations and permutations for ramps at Rtes. 27 and 218.
2. It looked at what each route alternative does at both 27 and 218.
3. The information was grouped according to interchange placements on Rte. 218:
 - a) near the old jail (N8c)
 - b) by the old Bailey farmhouse (the four alternate N2 routes)
 - c) actually on the West Alna Rd (outermost route – N2a)

We spent the evening reviewing the maps and figures regarding the impacts for the various interchange alternatives. And once again clarified the definitions for the different kinds of roadways – local roads, minor and major collectors, minor and major arterials, and interstate highways. The committee agreed that only options 7, 8, and 9 for the N2h route provided the full interchanges that would serve Wiscasset best.

We adjourned at 9 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lois Kwantz, Secretary