

**U.S. 20 Corridor Association**  
**Meeting of November 13, 2009**  
**Lohff Schumann Community Center – Holstein. Iowa**

1. The meeting was called to order by President Phillips at 10:03 a.m. In attendance were:

Sharon Ann Irwin – Early	V.H. “Buck” Boekelman – Fort Dodge
Leila Smith – Early	Bob Bergendoff – Storm Lake
Steve Hoesel – Fort Dodge	Mary Gross - Holstein
Ann Trimble-Ray – Heartland Marketing Group	Daryl Watts – Eagle Grove
Gary Sandholm - Webster City	Michelle Bostinelos – Sioux City (SIMPCO)
Shirley Phillips – Sac City	Tony Lazarowcz – IDOT
Dave Ehler – Congressman Steve King’s Office	Earl Heilman – Holstein
Sharon Mayo – Sac City	Harriett Conover – Holstein
Warren Lasher – Holstein	Rita Frahm – Ida County Development
Mark Baker – Holstein	Vince Triggs – Laurens
  
2. Mary Gross welcomed the group to Holstein and served delightful rolls and bars for refreshments.
3. ***Motion by Mayo, second by Watts to approve the minutes of the September 11, 2009, meeting. Ayes All – Motion Carried.***
4. Irwin presented the November 12th Treasurer’s Report showing a balance of \$19,396.59 with receipts of \$393.47 and expenses of \$1,841.62. Irwin mentioned that we have one more member than at the same time last year and she continues to send out membership dues statements. ***Motion by Watts, second by Gross to approve the Treasurer’s Report as presented. Ayes All – Motion Carried.***
5. Tony Lazarowcz of IDOT provided the following updates on Highway 20 improvements:
  - a. Grading between Moorland and Iowa 4 is nearly complete, including substantial progress toward completing the Moorland interchange. The contractor had hoped to begin paving yet this fall, but the October rains have postponed such activity until next spring. Paving should be completed by mid summer 2010.
  - b. Contracts for grading of a seven mile segment from Iowa 4 west have been let and will begin yet this fall, or early next spring. Paving will most likely be completed the spring to summer thereafter of 2011.
  - c. The remainder of the grading from seven miles west of Iowa 4 to just west of Early will be let and should begin late next fall. Paving of the final segment is anticipated for late 2012 or early 2013.
  - d. Between U.S. 71 and Merville future activities is dependent upon the IDOT Commission placing funding within the five-year construction plan.
  - e. IDOT has begun to consider the three bottlenecks between Early and Sioux City – Correctionville (which is currently in design stage), Merville, and Lawton. All except Correctionville are long range projects.
6. Sharon Irwin announced that effective immediately her Early address will change to Box 152.
7. Dave Ehlers provided a federal legislative update as follows:
  - a. The transportation reauthorization bill will not move this fall and in all likelihood a long-term continuing resolution will extend the current legislation past its expiration date to at least July 1, 2010.
  - b. Within the Stimulus Package there has been some discussion of taking funds from states that have not spent their transportation allocation and transferring them to states that have immediate needs. Iowa has programmed all of its Stimulus monies and might qualify for such transfers.
8. Phillips discussed strategies for a “Day on the Hill” in Des Moines:

- a. All transportation associations will be cooperating to present to the Legislature and the public a discussion of transportation issues and funding. The target date is January 27, 2010.
  - b. With the expressed opposition of the Governor, nobody is suggesting that we “push” for a fuel user fee increase this year, but simply remind the Legislature that the need for additional transportation funding has not disappeared.
  - c. The Highway 20 Association is securing the event locations, meeting rooms, etc. and is responsible for securing gimmick items to remind the legislatures of the need for highway funding.
9. Other meeting dates are:
- a. January 8<sup>th</sup>
  - b. March 12<sup>th</sup>
  - c. May 14<sup>th</sup>
  - d. July 9<sup>th</sup>
  - e. September 10<sup>th</sup>
- 10. The meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m. on a motion by Watts and a second by Gross Ayes All – Motion Carried.***
11. Submitted by Stephen F. Hoesel, Secretary.