

Commonwealth Transportation Board

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Agenda item #1

RESOLUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD

April 19, 2017

MOTION

Made By: Mr. Stinson, Seconded By: Mr. Rosen Action: Motion Carried, Unanimously

<u>Title: "David Curtis Johnson Bridge"</u> <u>Commemorative Naming of the bridge on State Route 91, Veterans Road, over Laurel Creek, Tazewell County</u>

WHEREAS, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors wants to memorialize the life, service and sacrifice of PFC David Curtis Johnson; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with § 33.2-213 of the *Code of Virginia*, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors has requested, by resolution, that the Commonwealth Transportation Board, to memorialize the life and sacrifice of PFC David Curtis Johnson, name the bridge on State Route 91, Veterans Road, over Laurel Creek, Tazewell County as the "David Curtis Johnson Bridge"; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Tazewell County has agreed to reimburse the costs associated with providing and installing the necessary signs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to § 33.2-213 of the *Code of Virginia*, the Commonwealth Transportation Board hereby names the bridge on State Route 91, Veterans Road, over Laurel Creek, Tazewell County as the "David Curtis Johnson Bridge"; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Department of Transportation is hereby directed to fabricate and erect appropriate signs and to invoice Tazewell County for the costs related to this commemorative naming.

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CTB Decision Brief

Bridge Naming: "David Curtis Johnson Bridge"

Issue: Commemorative naming of the bridge on State Route 91, Veterans Road, over Laurel Creek, Tazewell County.

Facts: Private First Class David Curtis Johnson, A Company, 4th Battalion, 9th Infantry, 25th Infantry Division, United States Army was killed in the line of duty on September 19, 1968 in Vietnam during the Vietnam War. He gave his life in the service and defense of the United States, the Commonwealth of Virginia, and Tazewell County.

On October 4, 2016, the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors, wishing to memorialize the life and ultimate sacrifice of PFC David Curtis Johnson, passed a resolution requesting the bridge located on State Route 91, Veterans Road, over Laurel Creek, be named the "David Curtis Johnson Bridge".

Recommendations: The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) recommends this request be approved.

Action Required by CTB: The *Code of Virginia* requires a majority of the CTB members to approve a resolution naming the bridge. A resolution will be provided for the Board's consideration.

Result if Approved: The bridge located on State Route 91, Veterans Road, over Laurel Creek, will be known and signed as the "David Curtis Johnson Bridge".

In accordance with law, the County will reimburse the costs associated with providing and installing the necessary signs and VDOT will invoice accordingly.

Options: Approve, Deny, or Defer.

Public Comments/Reactions: VDOT is not aware of any opposition to this proposal.

Tazewell County Attorney's Office

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November 3, 2016

Lebanon VDOT Residency ATTN: John R. Watson Route 71, Building 938 Lebanon, VA 24266

RE: Tazewell County Board of Supervisors Bridge Naming Resolution

David Curtis Johnson Bridge

Dear Mr. Watson:

In accordance with the Virginia Department of Transportation's procedure to request the Commonwealth Transportation Board to name bridges and roadways, please find enclosed a resolution from the October 4, 2016 meeting of the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors requesting that the bridge on Route 91 in the Tannersville area of Tazewell County, Virginia be named the "David Curtis Johnson Bridge". The resolution indicates that Tazewell County will pay for all costs for the signs denoting the name, including fabrication and installation.

If you need more information, please do not hesitate to contact my office. I look forward to receiving correspondence from the Virginia Department of Transportation soon.

Sincerely,

Chase D. Collins, Esq.

CC: C. Eric Young, Esq. – Tazewell County Attorney
M.E. Hall, Jr. – Delegate James W. Morefield's Office

VIRGINIA: AT A REGULARLY HELD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF TAZEWELL COUNTY, VIRGINIA HELD AT THE TAZEWELL COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING AT 108 EAST MAIN STREET AT 6:00 PM, ON THE 4th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2016, FOLLOWING A MOTION AND SECOND:

Date: October 4th, 2016

Resolution #: 10-04-16

RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD TO DEDICATE DAVID CURTIS JOHNSON BRIDGE

WHEREAS, David Curtis Johnson, Private First Class, A Co., 4th Bn., 9th Infantry, 25th Infantry Div., United States Army was killed in the line of duty on September 19, 1968 in Vietnam during the Vietnam War;

WHEREAS, David Curtis Johnson gave his life in the service and defense of the United States, the Commonwealth of Virginia, and Tazewell County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Tazewell County wishes to memorialize the life and ultimate sacrifice of David Curtis Johnson:

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Tazewell County, Virginia:

- (1) That the Board of Supervisors of Tazewell County, Virginia does hereby request that the Commonwealth Transportation Board name the bridge on Route 91 in the Tannersville area of Tazewell County, Virginia as the "David Curtis Johnson" Bridge" in memorial of David Curtis Johnson; and
- (2) That Tazewell County, Virginia will assume the costs for the fabrication and installation of signs for this naming.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Supervisors has caused this Resolution to be duly executed on its behalf by its Chairman and attested by its Clerk.

IT IS SO RESOLVED this the 4th day of October, 2016.

Present:

Stacy, Asbury, Hymes, Absher, Hackworth

Absent:

None

Ayes:

Five (5)

Navs:

None

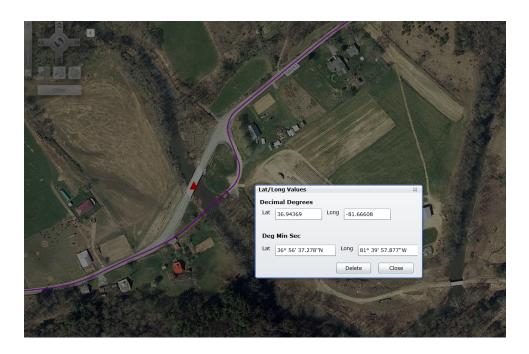
Abstentions: None

D. Michael Hymes, Chairman, Tazewell County Board of Supervisors

Patricia K. Green, County Administrator

David Curtis Johnson Bridge Naming Proposal – Route 19 Tazewell County Location: Approximately 1.5 miles north of Route 91 / Route 42 Intersection









Tazewell County
Proposed Bridge Naming:
"David Curtis Johnson
Memorial Bridge"