



COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

Commonwealth Transportation Board

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Agenda item #19

RESOLUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD

September 18, 2018

MOTION

Made By: Mr. Connors, Seconded By: Ms. Hynes
Action: Motion Carried, Unanimously

Title: Bridge Naming: “Spc. 4 Frederick C. Bullington, Jr. Memorial Bridge”

WHEREAS, the Patrick County Board of Supervisors wishes to honor and commemorate the life, service and ultimate sacrifice of United States Army Spc. 4 Frederick C. Bullington, Jr. who was wounded in action on May 7, 1966 and later died on May 30, 1966 during the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS, the Patrick County Board of Supervisors wishes to honor its native son with an enduring symbol of their affection for him and their abiding regard for his service and sacrifice; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with § 33.2-213 of the *Code of Virginia*, the Patrick County Board of Supervisors has requested, by resolution dated May 14, 2018, that the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB), to honor and memorialize the life and service of Spc. 4 Frederick C. Bullington, Jr. name the bridge on U.S. Route 58, Jeb Stuart Highway, over Spoon Creek, Patrick County as the “Spc. 4 Frederick C. Bullington, Jr. Memorial Bridge”; and

WHEREAS, § 33.2-213 provides that the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) shall place and maintain appropriate signs indicating the names of highways, bridges, interchanges, and other transportation facilities named by the CTB and requires that the costs of producing, placing, and maintaining such signs shall be paid by the localities in which they are located or by the private entity whose name is attached to the transportation facility so named; and

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WHEREAS, by resolution, Patrick County has agreed to pay VDOT for the costs of producing, placing, and maintaining the signs calling attention to this naming.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to § 33.2-213 of the *Code of Virginia*, the CTB hereby names the bridge on U.S. Route 58, Jeb Stuart Highway, over Spoon Creek, Patrick County as the "Spc. 4 Frederick C. Bullington, Jr. Memorial Bridge"; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that VDOT is directed to produce, place, and maintain the signs calling attention to this naming, and secure payment from Patrick County for these costs as required by law.

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CTB Decision Brief

Bridge Naming: “Spc. 4 Frederick C. Bullington, Jr. Memorial Bridge”

Issue: Commemorative naming of the bridge on U.S. Route 58, Jeb Stuart Highway, over Spoon Creek, Patrick County as the “Spc. 4 Frederick C. Bullington, Jr. Memorial Bridge”.

Facts: Patrick County enacted a resolution on May 14, 2018 memorializing the life of Frederick C. Bullington, Jr. Based on that resolution, Mr. Bullington grew up in Patrick County and as a child spent many hours swimming and fishing in Spoon Creek. He enlisted in the United States Army in 1965. After basic training he was stationed in Hawaii until his deployment to Vietnam. He was a member of the United States Army 25 Infantry Tropic Lighting Company B 1st Battalion (Mechanized) with a rank of Spc. 4.

Spc. 4 Bullington was wounded on May 7, 1966 and transported to Clark Air Force Base in the Philippines where he died on May 30, 1966. He was returned to the United States with an Honor Guard until he was buried at Stella Christian Church with full Military Rites. His family was presented the Purple Heart and Bronze Star for his sacrifice to his county.

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 a highway or bridge, as appropriate. A resolution will be provided for the Board’s consideration.

Result if Approved: The bridge on U.S. Route 58, Jeb Stuart Highway, over Spoon Creek, Patrick County will be named as the “Spc. 4 Frederick C. Bullington, Jr. Memorial Bridge”. In accordance with law, Patrick County agrees to pay the costs of producing, placing, and maintaining the signs calling attention to this naming.

Options: Approve, Deny, or Defer.

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



COUNTY OF PATRICK

Board of Supervisors

VIRGINIA: At a business meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Patrick, held at the Patrick County Veterans' Memorial Building thereof on Monday, May 14, 2018 at 6pm.

PRESENT: Lock Boyce, Chairman; Rickie Fulcher, Vice Chairman; Jane Fulk, Crystal P. Harris, and Karl Weiss, Board Members; Tom Rose, County Administrator; Geri Hazelwood, Assistant County Administrator; Alan Black, County Attorney; and Amy Walker, Administrative Assistant.

On motion made and duly seconded:

Title: Bridge Naming on US Highway 58 East and West over the Spoon Creek in Patrick County as the Spc. 4 Frederick C. Bullington, Jr. Memorial Bridge.

WHEREAS, Frederick C. Bullington, Jr., enlisted in the United States Army in 1965. He took his basic training in Fort Knox, Kentucky, then was stationed in Hawaii until deployment to Vietnam. He was a member of the United States Army 25 Infantry Tropic Lighting Company B 1st Battalion (Mechanized) with the ranking of (E-4) Spc. 4, and

WHEREAS, Spc. 4 Frederick C. Bullington, Jr. was wounded on May 7, 1966 and transported to Clark Air Force Base in the Philippines where he died on May 30, 1966. His mother, Virginia Searce was at his side at the request of the United States Army. The body of Spc. 4 Frederick C. Bullington, Jr. was then returned to the United States with a Honor Guard to Moody Funeral Home in Stuart, Virginia. The remains were taken to the home until burial at Stella Christian Church with full Military Rites, and the family of Spc. 4 Frederick C. Bullington, Jr. was presented the Purple Heart and Bronze Star Medal for his sacrifice to pour country, and

WHEREAS, Spc. 4 Frederick C. Bullington, Jr. grew up in Patrick County and as a child played many hours in the Spoon Creek swimming and fishing, and the Bullington family members deem the naming of the Spoon Creek bridge at US Highway 58 east and west an honor for their beloved brother.

WHEREAS, Section 33.2-213 of the Code of Virginia authorizes the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) to give suitable names to state highways, bridges, interchanges, and other transportation facilities and change the names of any highways, bridges, interchanges, or other transportation facilities forming a part of the systems of state highways; and

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WHEREAS, Section 33.2-213 provides that the Virginia Department of Transportation shall place and maintain appropriate signs indicating the names of highways, bridges, interchanges, and other transportation facilities named by the CTB and requires that the costs of producing, placing, and maintaining such signs shall be paid by the localities in which they are located.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Patrick County Board of Supervisors in accordance with the requirements of Section 33.2-213 the *Code of Virginia*, does hereby request that the Commonwealth Transportation Board name the bridge on US Highway 58 East and West over the Spoon Creek in Patrick County as the Spc. 4 Frederick C. Bullington, Jr. Memorial Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Patrick County agrees to pay the costs of producing, placing, and maintaining the signs calling attention to this naming.

Motion carried.

Voting Aye: Fulk, Fulcher, Weiss, Harris Boyce
Voting Nay: None

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TESTE:



Tom Rose, County Administrator

Patrick County

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Virginia Department of Transportation
Maintenance Division

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Patrick County

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Sp. 4 Frederick C. Bullington, Jr. Memorial Bridge
Route 58 – A L Philpott Highway
Str# 1043 and 1046