

**MINUTES
OF
MEETING OF STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION
RICHMOND, VIRGINIA
September 16, 1965**

The monthly meeting of the State Highway Commission of Virginia was held at the Central Highway Office in Richmond, Virginia, at 10 A. M. on September 16, 1965. The chairman, Mr. Douglas B. Fugate, presided.

Present: Messrs. Fugate, Baughan, Chilton, Fitzpatrick, Holland, Landrith, McWana, Sciatar and Weaver.

On motion of Mr. Sciatar, seconded by Mr. Fitzpatrick, minutes of the meeting of August 19, 1965, were approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Sciatar, seconded by Mr. Mr. Fitzpatrick, that permits issued from August 19, 1965, to September 15, 1965, as shown by records of the the Department be approved. Motion carried.

On motion of Mr. Sciatar, seconded by Mr. Fitzpatrick, cancellation of permits from August 19, 1965, to September 15, 1965, as shown by records of the Department, was approved.

Moved by Mr. McWana, Seconded by Mr. Chilton, that
WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of Section 128 of Title 23 - Highway, United States Code, a Public Hearing was held in the Nelson County High School Gymnasium, Lovingston Virginia, at 7:00 p. m., on August 5, 1965, concerning the proposed construction of Route 29 from 2.058 miles south of Lovingston to 1.141 miles north of Lovingston (Proposed Lovingston By-Pass), in Nelson County, State Project 0029-062-104, Federal Project F018-2(9), and

WHEREAS, proper notice was given in advance and all those present were given a full opportunity to express their opinions and recommendations for or against the proposed development as planned and their statements being duly recorded, and

WHEREAS, economic effects of the proposed location have been examined and given proper consideration, and this evidence, along with all other, has carefully reviewed,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the construction of this project be approved in accordance with the general plan as proposed and presented at the Public Hearing by the Department Engineers along line "A". This proposed improvement parallels existing Route 29 from the beginning to about 0.5 miles south of the intersection of Route 56. Passing to the west of Lovingston it becomes parallel to existing Route 29 at Route 711 and follows it to the northern terminus. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Sciater, Seconded by Mr. Fitzpatrick,
 , that the Commission confirm letter ballot action on bids
 received August 25, 1965, on the following projects:

Routes 15 and 360, Project: 0015-019-102, C501.

0.285 Mi. E. Int. 611 (E. Wylliesburg) - 0.256 Mi. W. Int. 622
 (W. Ontario) - Charlotte County - Award of contract to low bidder,
 Birch Constr. Corp., Norfolk, Va. & H. A. Munn Constr. Co., Inc.,
 Virgilina, Va.

	Constr.	R/W
Bid	\$1,319,597.05	\$710.00 CR*
10% for engineering and additional work	131,959.70	71.00 CR*
Work by State Forces	16,830.00	
Amount chargeable to project,	\$1,468,400.00	
\$44,448.00 to be provided for in 1966-67 Primary Construction Allocation. *CR, \$781.00 R/W Credit		

Route 29, Project: 0029-039-102, C501, B602; 0029-036-104, C501

9.145 Mi. W. Int. 33 (at Buckersville) - 7.420 Mi. W. Greens
 CL - Greens and Madison Counties - Award of contract to low
 bidder, J. M. Turner & Co., Inc., Salem, Va.

Bid	\$1,095,071.46
10% for engineering and additional work	109,507.14
Work by State Forces	14,984.75
Amount chargeable to project,	\$1,219,550.00
\$311,946.00 to be provided for in 1966-67 Primary Construction Allocation.	

Route 42, Project: 0042-082-102, C501

0.011 Mi. W. NCL Bridgewater - 0.209 Mi. S. SCL Dayton - Rocking-
 ham County - Award of contract to low bidder, Branch & Assoc., Inc.,
 & McAlister Construction Co., Esmonds, Va.

	Constr.	R/W
Bid	\$363,618.99	\$10.00
10% for engineering and additional work	36,361.89	1.00
Work by State Forces	3,890.00	
Amount chargeable to project,	\$403,900.00	

Route 95, Project: 0095-088-104, L801

Caroline-Spotsylvania CL - 0.501 Mi. N. Int. 1 - Spotsylvania Co.
 Award of contract to low bidder, Greenbrier Farms, Inc., West
 Chesapeake, Va.

Bid	\$97,890.00
10% for engineering and additional work	9,789.00
Work by State Forces	326.00
Amount chargeable to project,	\$108,000.00
\$108,000.00 to be provided for in future Interstate Construction Allocation.	

Route 177, Project: 0177-126-101, C501

ECL Radford - 0.763 Mi. W. ECL Radford - City of Radford - Award of contract to low bidder, H & S Construction Company, Roanoke, Va.
Bid \$929,760.22
10% for engineering and additional work 32,976.02
Work by State Forces 2,892.00
Amount chargeable to project, \$365,650.00

Route 599, Project: 0599-114-101, P401, Contr. 2; 103, C501;
0258-114-103, P401, Contr. 2

Int. LaSalle Ave. (At Int. 64) - Langley AFB at Tide Mill Cr. City of Hampton - Award of contract to low bidder, Clyde R. Royals, Inc., Hampton, Va.
Bid \$686,222.38
10% for engineering and additional work 68,622.23
Work by State Forces 8,150.00
Amount chargeable to project, \$763,000.00
Accts. Rec. City of Hampton \$8,081.95

Route 601 & 602, Project: 0601-089-126, C501, B605; 0602-048-115, C501; 116, B601; 0602-089-125, C501

Str. & Approaches to White Oak Run & 0.051 Mi. S. King George - Stafford CL - 0.138 Mi. N. King George - Stafford CL - Stafford and King George Counties - Award of contract to low bidder, David L. Henderson, Fredericksburg, Va.

Bid \$22,701.61
10% for engineering and additional work 8,270.16
Amount chargeable to project, \$90,950.00;
(Stafford County 77,400.00
King George County 13,550.00)
\$22,200.00 to be provided for in 1966-67 and Subsequent Years County Secondary Budgets.

Route 614, Project: 0614-083-120, C501

0.082 Mi. S. Int. 657 - Int. 71 - Russell County - Award of contract to low bidder, Turner Brothers, Contractors, Salem, Va.
Bid \$126,691.90
10% for engineering and additional work 12,669.19
Work by State Forces 441.59
Amount chargeable to project, \$139,800.00

Route 615, Project: 0615-068-116, C501; 0615-023-114, C501;
115, B608

0.009 Mi. N. Int. 673 - 0.008 Mi. N. Int. 614 - Orange and Culpeper Counties - Award of contract to low bidder, Lanford Brothers Co., Inc., Roanoke, Virginia
Bid \$234,147.10
10% for engineering and additional work 23,414.71
Work by State Forces 194.00
Amount chargeable to project, \$257,750.00; (Orange Co. - \$116,600. Culpeper Co. - \$141,150.)
\$30,990.00 to be provided for in 1966-67 and Subsequent Years Counties Secondary Budgets.

Route 634, Project: 0634-02A-105, C501

Int. 45 (Brown's Store) - Buckingham CL - Cumberland County
Award of contract to low bidder, Via Paving Company, Inc., Richmond,
Va.,

Bid - ALTERNATE \$98,472.30
10% for engineering and additional work 9,847.23
Amount chargeable to project, \$108,300.00
\$45,000.00 to be provided for in 1966-67 and Subsequent Years
County Secondary Budgets.

Route 655, Project: 0655-019-117, C501, B610

0.084 Mi. S. N & W RR - 0.237 Mi. E. N & W RR - Charlotte County
Award of contract to low bidder, H. W. Carter Construction Co., Inc.,
Chase City, Va.

Bid \$75,297.00
10% for engineering and additional work 7,529.70
Work by State Forces 1,444.08
Railroad - \$3,993.54 Flagging - \$1,566.45
Amount chargeable to project, - \$89,750.00
\$28,000.00 to be provided for in 1966-67 and Subsequent Years
County Secondary Budgets. Bridge & Approaches
Accts. Rec. N & W Railway Co., \$6,000.00

Williamsburg Residency Office Building

Williamsburg, Va. - Award of contract to low bidder, Brytn &
Henderson, Inc., Williamsburg, Va.

Bid - Capitol Outlay \$60,098.00
10% for engineering and additional work 6,009.80
Amount chargeable to project, \$66,100.00

Epoxy Surface - Br. Contr. 2-65 - Sales District

Award of contract to low bidder, Railroad Waterproofing Corp.,
Port Washington, New York

Bid \$21,352.10
10% for engineering and additional work 2,135.21
Amount chargeable to project, \$23,500.00
Funds: State Maintenance - \$23,500.00
Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Solter, Seconded by Mr. Fitzpatrick,
that the Commission confirm letter ballot action on bids
received August 25, 1965, rejecting them and that the work
be readvertised on the following projects:

Route 337, Project: 0337-081-001, C501

0.018 Mi. E. ECL Suffolk - 0.647 Mi. E. ECL Suffolk - Matamoras
County - Bid is 32.2% over estimate.

Route 722, Project: 0722-016-120, C501, B608, B610

1.871 Mi. S. of S. End Br. Mattaponi Rv. - 0.230 Mi. N. of S. End
Br. Mattaponi Rv. - Caroline County - Bid is 10.5% over estimate.
Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. McNamee , seconded by Mr. Chilton,
that

WHEREAS, Route 59 in Charlotte County has been altered and reconstructed as shown on plans for Project 0059-019-101, C-503; 102, C501, and WHEREAS, one section of the old road is no longer necessary as a public road, the new road serving the same citizens as the old, and one section of the old road is no longer necessary for purposes of the State Highway System, and two sections of the old road are to be transferred to the Secondary System;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 33-76.5 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, 0.05 mile of the old location of Route 59, shown in blue and designated as Section 2 on the plat dated May 28, 1965, Project 0059-019-101, C503; 102, C-501, be abandoned as a part of the State Highway System;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 33-76.1 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, 0.45 mile of old location of Route 59, shown in yellow and designated as Section 1 on the plat and project referred to hereinabove, be discontinued as a part of the State Highway System;

BE IT ALSO FURTHER RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 33-27 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, 2.10 miles of the old location of Route 59, shown in red and designated as Sections 3 and 4 on the plat and project referred to hereinabove, be transferred from the Primary System to the Secondary System of Highways.
Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. McNamee , seconded by Mr. Chilton,
that

WHEREAS, Route 3 in Westmoreland County has been constructed on new location as shown on plans for Project 0003-096-103, C-501, B-602; and

WHEREAS, one section of old location of Route 3 is no longer necessary as a public road, the new road serving the same citizens as the old road, and one section of old Route 3 is to be transferred to the Secondary System of Highways;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 33-76.5 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, 0.10 mile of the old location of Route 3, shown in blue and designated as Section 1 on the plat dated February 23, 1965, Project 0003-096-103, C-501, B-602, be abandoned as a part of the State Highway System;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 33-27 of the code of Virginia 1950, as amended, 0.45 mile of the old Route 3, shown in red and designated as Section 2 on the plat and project referred to hereinabove, be transferred from the Primary System to the Secondary System of Highways.
Motion carried,

Moved by Mr. McHana , seconded by Mr. Baughan,
that

WHEREAS, the Highway Commission is authorized to make certain payments to cities for street purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Highway Commission has selected certain streets within the Corporate Limits of the City of Lynchburg for such payments; and

WHEREAS, the completed construction of relocated State Route 297 in Lynchburg and Campbell County, under Projects 7029-118-101, C-501, and 7029-015-010, C-501, render it necessary to amend the selection of such streets; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 33-35.2 of the Code of Virginia, as Amended, the following changes be established:

State Route 297 (relocated by construction) -

Beginning at its intersection with U. S. Routes 29 and Alternate 29; thence southeasterly to the S.C.L. of Lynchburg

Length for payment 0.30 Mi.

State Route 125 (along the old routing of Route 297)

Beginning at its intersection with Alternate Route 29 in Lynchburg; thence southeasterly along Fort Avenue to the W. C. L. of Lynchburg

No change in maintenance mileage for payment; and

Due to this construction, U. S. Route 29 mileage increased by 0.02 mile and Alternate Route 29 mileage decreased by 0.14 mile, for a net decrease of 0.12 mile.

The primary extension mileage for the City of Lynchburg due to the addition of relocated Route 297, length 0.30 mile, and the net decrease on Routes 29 and Alternate 29, length 0.12 mile, give the City an increase of 0.18 mile for maintenance payment at the rate of \$10,000 per mile annually from 30.22 miles to 30.40 miles, effective July 1, 1965, for the quarterly payment due after September 30, 1965. Motion carried.

Moved by Judge Weaver , seconded by Mr. Holland

, that

WHEREAS, Section 33-136.1 of the Code of Virginia provides a fund for fiscal 1965-66 of \$1,500,000 to "...be expended by the Commission for constructing, reconstructing, maintaining or improving access roads within counties, cities and towns to industrial sites on which manufacturing, processing or other establishments will be built under firm contract or are already constructed."; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Hanover County has by resolution requested the use of industrial access funds to provide proper access to the new plant of Electra Motors, Incorporated being built just northeast of the Town of Ashland, estimated to cost \$40,000; and

WHEREAS, it appears that this request falls within the intent of Section 33-136.1 and has complied with the provisions of the Highway Commission's policy on the use of industrial access funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that \$40,000 from the industrial access fund for 1965-66 be allocated for providing proper access to the new facility of Electra Motors, Incorporated, just northeast of the Town of Ashland in Hanover County, Project 1314-042-173, C501; contingent upon (1) advice from the Company that it has entered into a firm contract for the construction of its building, and (2) the necessary right of way and adjustment of utilities being furnished at no cost to the Commonwealth.

Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Chilton , seconded by Judge Weaver

, that

WHEREAS, Section 33-136.1 of the Code of Virginia provides a fund for fiscal 1965-66 of \$1,500,000 to "...be expended by the Commission for constructing, reconstructing, maintaining or improving access roads with counties, cities and towns to industrial sites on which manufacturing, processing or other establishments will be built under firm contract or are already constructed."; and

WHEREAS, this Highway Commission by resolution of June 18, 1964 considered a request for industrial access funds to serve a proposed new industry being constructed in King George County near Dogue, known as the Glava Farm Packing Company; and

WHEREAS, it appeared at that time, due to the peculiar makeup of the Company and the planned operation, that the industrial access road could extend only to the end of Route 610, a distance of 1.5 miles, for which \$20,500 was allocated; and

WHEREAS, plans for the expansion of this Company have now been put into effect whereby the capital outlay will increase from \$175,000 to approximately \$600,000 including the incorporation of the Company under the laws of Virginia and the operation of such as a company rather than as an individual enterprise; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of King George County by proper resolution has set forth all of the facts in the matter and has further requested an extension of the industrial access road to the entrance to the plant, estimated to cost an additional \$19,500; and

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WHEREAS, it appears that this request falls within the intent of Section 33-136.1 and has complied with the provisions of the Highway Commission's policy on the use of industrial access funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that \$19,500 from the industrial access fund for 1965-66 be allocated to extend the industrial access road from the end of Route 610, 1.1 miles to the entrance to the expanding Cleve Farms Packing Company, Incorporated, Project Q610-048-113, C501; contingent upon (1) the right of way being furnished at no cost to the Commonwealth, (2) the adjustment of utilities being provided at no cost to the Commonwealth; and (3) the incorporation of the Company and the transfer of title to the plant-site property being consummated.

Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Solater, seconded by Mr. Landrith, that WHEREAS, by proper resolutions, the Boards of Supervisors of several counties have requested that certain roads which no longer serve as a public necessity be discontinued as part of the Secondary System of Highways;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 33-76.7 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, the following roads be discontinued as part of the Secondary System of Highways, effective this date.

Campbell County	Sections 1, 2 & 3 of old location Route 633, between Station 19 + 00 and Station 62 + 70, Project 0633-015-108, C-501 -----	0.74 MI.
Grayson County	Sections 4 and 5 of old location Route 613, from Station 125 + 20 to Route 609, Project 0613-038-106, C-501 -----	0.40 MI.
Montgomery County	Route 801, beginning at a point on Route 632, 0.9 Mile east of Route 625 and thence extending in a westerly direction 0.30 mile to dead end -----	0.30 MI.

Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. McWans, seconded by Mr. Baughan, that WHEREAS, under authority of Section 33-35.4 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, request is made by the Town of Luray for payment at the base rate of \$800 per mile annually on additional street mileage meeting required standards for maintenance payments;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that quarterly payments at the base rate of \$800 per mile annually be made to the Town of Luray on additional streets, totaling 0.82 mile and meeting standards required by this section of the Code, effective beginning October 1, 1965, for the quarterly payment due after December 31, 1965. The additional mileage eligible for payment described as follows:

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Marye Lane - From Parkview Road to N. & W. R.R. - 0.45 Mi.
Moyer Avenue - From Eden Road to Antioch Road - 0.23 Mi.
Spring Street - Circle off Hawksbill Heights Drive - 0.14 Mi.

The above additions totaling 0.82 mile increase the total mileage in the Town of Luray from 16.34 miles to 1726 miles of approved streets.

Motion carried.

Moved by Judge Weaver , seconded by Mr. Chilton,
that

WHEREAS, Section 46.1-193 and Section 46.1-345 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, provides for increasing or decreasing speed limits from the statutable established speed limits and/or establishing a minimum speed limit when such increase or decrease and/or establishment of a minimum speed limit has been prescribed by the State Highway Commission after an engineering and traffic investigation; and

WHEREAS, the Highway Department has now completed the required engineering and traffic investigation for the herein specified section or sections of highway and has determined that the respective maximum and/or minimum speed limit should be established accordingly and as affixed herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the speed limit for all vehicles not otherwise restricted by statute, be ascribed for the following specified section or sections of highway as shown on the attached tabulations by districts.

Motion carried.

Route	Location	Length (Miles)	Speed Limit (MPH)
<u>Primer System</u>			
SALSB DISTRICT			
<u>Henry County</u>			
220	Fr: 0.05 Mi. S. of Int. Rte. 825 (M.P. 13.75) To: 0.10 Mi. N. of Int. Rte. 220 Eas. (M.P. 18.72)	4.97	60/50
<u>Roanoke, Botetourt & Radford Counties</u>			
460	Fr: 0.10 Mi. E. of ECL Roanoke (M.P. 3.42) To: 0.23 Mi. W. of Int. Route 697 (M.P. 32.71)	11.09	60/50
LYNCHBURG DISTRICT			
<u>Nelson County</u>			
29	Fr: 0.71 Mi. S. of Route 624 (Davis Creek Bridge Rte. 624) (M.P. 15.02) To: 0.14 Mi. S. of Route 624 (North Int.) (M.P. 15.86)	0.84	60/50
29	Fr: 0.21 Mi. S. of Rte. 623 (S. Int.) (M.P. 13.00) To: 0.71 Mi. S. of Rte. 624 (S. Int.) (M.P. 15.02)	2.02	60/50
29	Fr: 0.10 Mi. S. of Rte. 770 (N. Int.) (M.P. 10.58) To: 0.21 Mi. S. of Rte. 623 (S. Int.) (M.P. 15.00)	2.37	60/50
RICHMOND DISTRICT			
<u>Chesterfield County</u>			
10	Fr: 2.667 Mi. W. Appomattox River Bridge (M.P. 2.66) To: 0.227 Mi. W. Appomattox River Bridge (M.P. 0.23)	2.43	60/50
SUFFOLK DISTRICT			
<u>Hammond County</u>			
17	Fr: N.E. Hammond River Bridge (M.P. 2.00) To: S.E. Hammond River Bridge (M.P. 2.71)	0.71	45
17	Fr: N.E. Chuckatuck Creek Bridge (Isle of Wight-Hammond Co. Line) (M.P. 0.00) To: S.E. Chuckatuck Creek Bridge (0.33 Mi. N. of Rte. 1501) (M.P. 0.48)	0.48	45

Route	Location	Length (Miles)	Speed Limit (MPH)
<u>PRIMARY SYSTEM</u>			
STANTON DISTRICT			
<u>Augusta County</u>			
250	Fr: WCL Waynesboro (M.P. 6.01) To: 0.35 Mi. W. of WCL Waynesboro (M.P. 6.36)	0.35	45
<u>Secondary System</u>			
BRISTOL DISTRICT			
<u>Scott County</u>			
665	Fr: NCL of Gate City To: 1.0 Mi. N. of NCL Gate City	1.0	35
<u>Wise County</u>			
620	Fr: NCL Norton To: 0.75 Mi. N. of the NCL Norton	0.75	25
LYNCHBURG DISTRICT			
<u>Campbell County</u>			
899	Fr: NCL Altavista To: Route 714	0.45	35
SUFFOLK DISTRICT			
<u>Henric County</u>			
643	Fr: East Int. Rtes. 58 & 643 To: 0.40 Mi. N. of East Int. Rtes. 58 & 643	0.40	25
CULPEPER DISTRICT			
<u>Fairfax County</u>			
T-606	Fr: Route T-2513 (Van Buren Street) To: 105' north of Route T-3021 (Jonquil Lane)	0.42	35
644	Fr: Route 1218 To: 0.06 Mi. E. of Route 997	1.90	35
<u>Orange County</u>			
T-1017	Fr: Route T-1006 To: Dead end (end of state maintenance)	0.15	25
T-1018	Fr: Route T-1017 To: Routes 15-33	0.07	25
STANTON DISTRICT			
<u>Shenandoah County</u>			
670	Fr: ECL Woodstock To: Route 609	0.37	35

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Mr. McWane asked whether municipalities are permitted to put up signs and enforce a law prohibiting trucks on State routes. Mr. Fugate replied that jurisdiction of streets within the municipalities is exclusively the prerogative of the municipality; if a Federal project is carried out it is always necessary to make a project agreement, and in these cases the character of traffic could be a matter of agreement between the State and city, but that in general the city has exclusive control of streets and the character of traffic.

In connection with approval of the Lovington By-pass location, Mr. Fugate stated the construction of by-passes again emphasizes two needs:

(1) a large revolving right of way fund, which the Department does not have. This year, he said, we were able to put \$3 Million in a revolving right of way fund, that compared with the tremendous amount of future right of way we should be buying, this is a very small amount.

(2) need for the sort of legislation which was proposed at the last session of the General Assembly by the Stone Commission but which did not pass, and which he would hope would be reconsidered this year, perhaps in a modified form. Essentially, in a case of this kind, he said, this would permit the Highway Commission, once it had adopted the location of a by-pass or of an improvement - showing on which side of the existing road of the arterial system the additional line was going to be constructed - to file with the clerk of the court of the county concerned a plat showing the right of way which would be required, and thereafter the property owner could not develop on that right of way without giving the Department the option of buying the property by negotiation, or by condemnation if necessary. If the Department took neither of these steps the property owner would be free to go ahead and develop the property as he saw fit. This would not deny the property owner any of the vested rights he has in his property but would protect locations of this kind which the Highway Commission has adopted in advance - perhaps three, four or five years before they have the money to buy the right of way. It would permit the Highway Commission to protect all property from the development of subdivisions and other developments of that kind which would block it for highway use.

Mr. Fugate said he would hope that the General Assembly would reconsider this proposal, first made by the Stone Commission, and would give the Highway Commission that authority. He thought this would be to the advantage of the property owner also, because he would know what to expect when he had plans for developing his property.

Mr. Landrith asked if these locations would be put on record. Mr. Fugate replied that the plat would be filed promptly with the clerk of the court and each property owner would be written a letter notifying him of the filing and the law would become operative.

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Mr. Fugate stated the Traffic and Planning Division, with the assistance of the Virginia Council of Highway Investigation and Research, had prepared a new edition of the Virginia Visitor Travel Survey, containing information needed by many agencies involved with one of the biggest industries in Virginia, the travel industry. He asked Mr. Mills to present copies of the report and comment on it.

Following Mr. Mills' presentation motion was made by Judge Weaver, seconded by Mr. McHane, that the Commission be placed on record as expressing its appreciation for the excellent work done by Mr. Mills' group and the Research Council in preparation of the survey report. Motion carried.

In connection with the travel survey report, Mr. Fugate commented on the high cost of rest areas and stated maintenance was going to be a problem, that it is almost an around-the-clock proposition, including not only cleaning up but policing.

Mr. Fugate asked Mr. Coates, Public Information Officer for the Department, to outline plans for Highway Week (September 19-25), which Mr. Fugate stated was sponsored each year by the American Association of State Highway Officials and other interested agencies and designated as such by the President for the Nation and by the Governor for the State. Mr. Coates mentioned the special supplement to be included in the RICHMOND TIMES DISPATCH of September 19 and Mr. Fugate expressed appreciation for the support of the press in coverage of Highway Week activities.

Mr. Eura, Director of Administration, reported on status of the proposed bond issue for construction of the planned Norfolk-Virginia Beach Toll Road.

The Chairman outlined plans for the Annual Highway Conference to be held at V. M. I. in October and stated the Highway Commission would meet at 1:45 P. M. on October 28.

Mr. Fugate reviewed the program for roadside beautification now being considered by Congress and said that he was sure the Commission joined him in being sympathetic with the general objectives of the legislation but would be fearful of any diversion of money from highway construction for removal of billboards or junkyards, and of penalties which might be imposed which would deny Virginia Federal-aid funds.

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The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 A.M.

Approved:

Harold R. Fugate
Chairman

Attested:

W. M. Calabrese
Secretary