

MINUTES
OF
MEETING OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD

Central Office Auditorium
1221 East Broad Street
Richmond, Virginia

January 17, 2002
10:00 a.m.

The monthly meeting of the Commonwealth Transportation Board was held in the Central Auditorium of the Department of Transportation in Richmond, Virginia on January 17, 2002. The Chairman, Whittington W. Clement, presided.

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Present: Messrs. Bevon, Byrd, Folkes, Garcia, Grubb, Humphreys, Klinge, Kornblau, Martin, Mitchel, Myers, Pethtel, Walker, and Ms. Lionberger and Ms. Welsh.

Absent: Mr. White

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Welcome and Comments:

Whittington W. Clement, Secretary of Transportation and Chairman of the Commonwealth Transportation Board, extended a welcome to the Board members, Department staff, and honored guests including Senator John H. Chichester, chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, and Senator Charles R. Hawkins, chairman of the Transportation Subcommittee of Senate Finance. Chairman Clement welcomed and introduced the Honorable Mark R. Warner, Governor of Virginia.

Mr. Warner addressed the Board and urged the restructuring of the Department's six-year plan and financial programs to regain credibility and restore public confidence. A draft text of his comments is attached.

Chairman Clement welcomed and introduced the Honorable Ray D. Pethtel, Interim Commissioner for the Department.

Mr. Pethtel distributed and presented an overview of the Department's current financial status with program impacts. He pledged to provide the General Assembly within thirty days a detailed financial and program restructuring proposal. A copy of his presentation is attached.

Chairman Clement welcomed and introduced Pierce R. Homer, new Deputy Secretary of Transportation.

Agenda Item 1: Public Comment: Mr. Urchie Ellis requested time to address the Board regarding revisions to the ranking system for road projects on the six-year plan. As the topic was not an action agenda item, upon motion made by Mr. Kornblau and seconded by Mr. Byrd, the Board unanimously approved the request to address the Board.

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Agenda Item 2: Action on approval of Minutes of Meeting of December 18, 2001.

Moved by Mr. Mitchel, seconded by Mr. Klinge. Motion carried.

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SECONDARY ROAD DIVISION:

Agenda Item 3: Action (by single motion) on Additions and Abandonments of Roads in the Secondary System, December 2001. Referenced by attachment of Report.

Moved by Mr. Klinge, seconded by Mr. Grubb. Motion carried.

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Agenda Item 4: Action on Revenue Sharing Reallocations from the County Primary and Secondary Road Fund, specifically the Counties of Henry, James City, Prince George and Prince William. Referenced by attachment of Resolution.

Moved by Mr. Grubb, seconded by Mr. Humphreys. Motion carried.

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TRAFFIC ENGINEERING DIVISION:

Agenda Item 5: Action on Bridges Designation, specifically, new bridges over Cave Fork Creek on Route 58 in Lee County, to be designated as “Hugh C. Chance Memorial Bridge.” Referenced by attachment of Resolution and map.

Moved by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Grubb. Motion carried.

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RIGHT OF WAY AND UTILITIES DIVISION:

Agenda Item 6: Action (by single motion) on Conveyances, specifically (A) Route 29, Arlington County, (B) Route 58, Grayson County, (C) Route 522, Warren County, (D) I-95 Frontage Road “C”, Henrico County, (E) I-95 Frontage Road F-340-Henrico County, (F) Route 250 – Henrico County and (G) Route 629 – Buchanan County. Referenced by attachment of Resolutions.

(A-G) Moved by Mr. Klinge, seconded by Mr. Humphreys. Motion carried.

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ENVIRONMENTAL DIVISION:

Agenda Item 7: Action on Consultant Agreement, specifically statewide contract to provide professional cultural resource services for miscellaneous projects – GAI Consultants, Inc. Referenced by attachment of Resolution and fact sheet.

NO MOTION MADE – NO ACTION TAKEN – ITEM WITHDRAWN FROM CONSIDERATION BY DIVISION.

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INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS DIVISION:

Agenda Item 8: Action on Partnership Agreement, specifically between the Department and FHWA for a grant for statewide 511 traveler information planning. Referenced by attachment of Resolution and fact sheet.

Moved by Mr. Kornblau, seconded by Ms. Welsh. Motion carried.

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MAINTENANCE DIVISION:

Agenda Item 9: Action on Utility Contract Agreement, specifically with Frederick County Sanitation Authority to provide sewer and water service to the Interstate 81 Rest Area and Welcome Center. Referenced be attachment of Resolution and fact sheet.

Moved by Ms. Welsh, seconded by Mr. Mitchel. Motion carried.

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CONSTRUCTION DIVISION:

Agenda Item 10: Action on Bids for Interstate, Primary, Secondary, Urban and Miscellaneous Projects Received July 25, November 6, 27 and December 18, 2001, for award and authorized execution of contracts by the Interim Commissioner, Deputy Commissioner for Project Management or Acting Chief Engineer, and for deferral, rejection, rescindment and authorized readvertisement, as indicated. Referenced by attachment of Bid Results Report.

Mr. Klinge moved for approval, contingent upon the contracts being held for financial evaluation by the Interim Commissioner before authorization to proceed. Seconded by Mr. Kornblau. Motion carried, with Mr. Martin recusing himself from Page 5, items 1 and 2 and Page 6, item 6, due to a relationship with the bank.

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Agenda Item 11: Action on Consultant Agreement, specifically construction inspection services for bridge repair and paint inspection in the Staunton/Salem Districts with Michael Baker Jr., Inc. Referenced by Resolution, fact sheet and map.

NO ACTION TAKEN – ITEM DEFERRED.

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LOCATION & DESIGN DIVISION:

Agenda Item 12: Action (by single motion) on Consultant Agreements, specifically (A) Richmond District, surveying services – Woolpert, LLP, (B) Lynchburg District, surveying services – Hurt & Proffitt, Inc., (C) Route 7900 (Franconia-Springfield Parkway) – Fairfax County – survey and other services for SOV lanes. Referenced by Resolutions, fact sheets and map (12 C only).

NO ACTION TAKEN – ALL ITEMS DEFERRED

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Agenda Item 13: Action (by separate motions) on Location Projects, specifically (A) Route 656 Sliding Hill Road – Hanover County and (B) Town of Blacksburg – Hubbard Country Club-Southgate Connector. Referenced by attachment of Resolutions, fact sheets and maps.

(A) Moved by Mr. Kornblau, seconded by Mr. Mitchel. Motion carried.

(B) Moved by Ms. Lionberger, seconded by Mr. Mitchel. Motion carried.

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Agenda Item 14: Action (by separate motions) on Design Projects, specifically (A) Route 33 – Town of West Point, Counties of King and Queen, King William and New Kent regarding West Point Bridges replacement, and (B) Route 250 – Albemarle County regarding bridge replacements. Referenced by attachment of Resolutions, fact sheets and maps.

(A) Moved by Mr. Humphreys, seconded by Mr. Kornblau. Motion carried.

(B) Moved by Mr. Myers, seconded by Mr. Byrd. Motion carried.

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FINANCIAL PLANNING AND DEBT MANAGEMENT DIVISION:

Agenda Item 15: Action on Jamestown Corridor Improvement PPTA Proposal, Phase 2. Referenced by attachment of Resolution.

Moved by Mr. Garcia, seconded by Mr. Walker. Motion carried.

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OTHER BUSINESS:

Agenda Item 16: Committee Reports specifically, Report of the Internal Audit Committee meeting of December 17, 2001, presented by Mr. Martin. Referenced by attachment of report.

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ADJOURNMENT: The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 12:10 p.m.

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The next workshop will be held on Wednesday, February 20, 2002 at 2:00 p.m. and the next meeting will be held on Thursday, February 21, 2002 at 10:00 a.m., both in Richmond, Virginia.

Approved:

Chairman

Attested:

Secretary