

**MINUTES
OF
MEETING OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD**

Central Office Auditorium
1221 East Broad Street
Richmond, Virginia

November 19, 2009
9:00 a.m.

The meeting of the Commonwealth Transportation Board was held in the Central Office Auditorium of the Virginia Department of Transportation in Richmond, Virginia, on November 19, 2009. The Chairman, Pierce R. Homer, presided and called the meeting to order at 10:43 a.m.

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Present: Messrs. Bowie, Davies, Davis, Dickens, Keen, Koelemay, Layne, Martin, McCarthy, Schwartz, Ms. Pandak, Mrs. Carter and; Vice Chairman Ekern and Mr. Badger, ex officio, Director of the Department of Rail and Public Transportation.

Absent: Messrs. Sterling and White

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Public Comment Period:

Mr. Jim Klein, of Fairfax County addressed the Board regarding the Route 29 Corridor Study, sharing his concerns and offering suggestions for changes to the study. Mr. Klein provide the Chairman with a written transcript of his comments, which is attached hereto.

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Ms. Rae Ely addressed the Board regarding the Route 29 Corridor Study and how it relates to the Greensprings Historic District. Ms. Ely shared the history of the Greensprings Historic District with the Board. Ms. Ely also shared her concerns regarding the Route 15 Bypass.

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Mr. Benny Summerlin, County Administrator of Henry County, addressed the Board regarding I-73, asking that the Board reopen the NEPA process, in order to investigate a better alignment of I-73.

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Mr. Champe Burnley addressed the Board regarding the TE allocation process as well as support of the Virginia Capital Trail.

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Ms. Barbara Dirk addressed the Board to approve the complete signing of the Virginia Cross State Bike Ride.

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Mr. Bud Vye spoke to the Board regarding the Transportation Enhancements Funds Policy, specifically stating his support of the process.

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Ms. Leila Dempsey, addressed the Board regarding the Transportation Enhancement Funds Policy, she shared the importance of this program to her county (Isle of Wight).

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Mr. Alan Manchinik offered his support for the Transportation Enhancement Funds Policy and the proposed changes.

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Mr. Dan Holmes, of the Piedmont Environment Council, addressed the Board regarding the Route 29 Corridor Study.

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Mr. Trip Pollard, of the Southern Environmental Law Center, addressed the Board regarding the Route 29 Corridor Study and VTRANS.

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Approval of Minutes of Prior Meeting:

Action on Approval of the Minutes of the October 15, 2009 meeting. Copy of approved minutes on file with the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) Commissioner's Office and posted on the VDOT Internet website: www.virginiadot.org and the Virginia Regulatory Town Hall.

Made by Mr. Keen, Seconded by Mr. Bowie.
Motion carried, minutes approved.

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MAINTENANCE DIVISION:

Agenda Item 1. Action on Statewide Changes in the Primary and the Secondary System of State Highways:

Abandonments:

Bristol District

Lee County

Project: 6058-052-E27, C-501

- Route 58 (Section 1) 0.22 Mi.
From: 0.26 M. E. Rte. 629
To: 0.01 Mi. W. Rte. 630
- Route 58 (Section 2) 0.24 Mi.
From: 0.01 Mi. W. Rte. 630
To: 0.23 Mi. E. Rte. 630

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- Route 58 (Section 7) 0.04 Mi.
From: 0.54 Mi. E. Rte. 630
To: Rte. 58 Alt. E. Connection
- Route 58 (Section 8) 0.06 Mi.
From: Rte. 58 Alt. E. Connection
To: 0.06 Mi. E. Rte. 58 Alt. Connection
- Route 58 (Section 9) 0.01 Mi.
From: 0.06 Mi. E. Rte. 58 Alt. Connection
To: 0.07 Mi. E. Rte. 58 Alt. Connection
- Route 58 (Section 10) 0.08 Mi.
From: 0.07 Mi. E. Rte. 58 Alt. Connection
To: 0.15 Mi. E. Rte. 58 Alt. Connection
- Route 58 (Section 13) 0.11 Mi.
From: 0.53 Mi. E. Rte. 619
To: 0.64 Mi. E. Rte. 619
- Route 58 (Section 14) 0.10 Mi.
From: 0.64 Mi. E. Rte. 619
To: 0.74 Mi. E. Rte. 619
- Route 58 (Section 15) 0.03 Mi.
From: 0.74 Mi. E. Rte. 619
To: 0.77 Mi. E. Rte. 619
- Route 58 (Section 16) 0.14 Mi.
From: 0.77 Mi. E. Rte. 619
To: Rte. 752
- Route 58 (Section 17) 0.05 Mi.
From: Rte. 752
To: 0.05 Mi. E. Rte. 752
- Route 58 (Section 18) 0.16 Mi.
From: 0.05 Mi. E. Rte. 752
To: 0.21 Mi. E. Rte. 752

Northern Virginia District

Arlington County

Project: Pentagon Renovation

- Route 110 (Segment A to B) 0.63 Mi.
From: 0.19 Mi. N. I-395
To: 0.63 Mi. NW

Lynchburg District

Amherst County

Project: 0210-005-F02, C-502

- Old Route F-894 (Section 9) 0.09 Mi.
From: Intersection of old Rte. 210
To: 0.09 Mi. N. of Intersection Old F-894 & Old Rte. 1027
- Old Route F-894 (Section 10) 0.09 Mi.
From: Intersection Old F-894 & Old Rte. 1027
To: 0.09 Mi. N. Rte. 29 Business
- Route 210 (Section 3) 0.02 Mi.
From: Intersection of Old 29 N & Old F-894
To: 0.02 Mi. W

Staunton District

Augusta County

Project: 0340-007-116, M-501

- Route 340 (Section 1) 0.14 Mi.
From: Rte. 11
To: 0.14 Mi. NE Rte. 11
- Route 340 (Section 2) 0.13 Mi.
From: Rte. 11
To: 0.13 Mi. E Rte. 11

Highland County

Project: 0084-045-X02, N-501

- Route 84 (Section 2) 0.05 Mi.
From: 0.05 Mi. N. Rte 220
To: Rte. 220
- Route 84 (Section 3) 0.07 Mi.
From: 0.07 Mi. N. Rte 220
To: Rte. 220

Total Mileage Abandoned from the Primary System: 2.46 Mi.

Discontinuances:

Fredericksburg District

Caroline County

Project: 0722-016-S89, C-501

- Route 722 (Section 10) 0.02 Mi.
From: Rte. 628

To: 0.02 Mi. W. Rte. 628

Lynchburg District

Amherst County

Project: 0210-005-F02, C-502

- Route 1027 (Section 21) 0.03 Mi.
From: Intersection of Rte. 622
To: 0.03 Mi. E. old Rte. 1027

Richmond District

Lunenburg County

Project: 0662-055-218, M-501

- Route 662 (Section 2) 0.11 Mi.

Total Mileage Discontinued from the Secondary System: 0.16 Mi.

Transfers:

Bristol District

Lee County

Project: 6058-052-E27, C-501

- Route 58 (Section 3) 0.05 Mi.
From: 0.23 Mi. E. Rte. 630
To: 0.28 Mi. E. Rte. 630
(Designated as Route 1045)

- Route 58 (Section 4) 0.06 Mi.
From: 0.28 Mi. E. Rte. 630
To: 0.34 Mi. E. Rte. 630
(Designated as Route 1045)

- Route 58 (Section 5) 0.16 Mi.
From: 0.34 Mi. E. Rte. 630
To: 0.50 Mi. E. Rte. 630
(Designated as Route 1045)

- Route 58 (Section 6) 0.04 Mi.
From: 0.50 Mi. E. Rte. 630
To: 0.54 Mi. E. Rte. 630
(Designated as Route 1045)

Total Mileage Transferred to Secondary System: 0.31 Mi.

Referenced by attachment of resolution and decision brief.
Made by Mr. Dickens, Seconded by Mr. Bowie.
Motion carried, resolution approved.

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Agenda Item 2. Action on Commemorative Bridge Naming Specifically Segment of Route 199 From Interstate 64 and Route 641 in York County, a Distance of 0.83 Miles in Length, the “Marquis Center Parkway.”

Referenced by attachment of resolution and decision brief.
Made by Mr. Dickens, Seconded by Mr. Layne.
Motion carried, resolution approved.

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Agenda Item 3. Action on Repeal of the *Frontage Roads* (24 VAC 30-510) Regulation.

Referenced by attachment of resolution and decision brief.
Made by Mr. Koelemay, Seconded by Ms. Carter.
Motion carried, resolution approved.

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VIRGINIA RESEARCH COUNCIL:

Agenda Item 4. Action on Approval of Cooperative Agreement Between the Virginia Department of Transportation and the National Transportation Library, Research and Innovative Technology Administration

Referenced by attachment of resolution and decision brief.
Made by Dr. Davis, Seconded by Ms. Pandak.
Motion carried, resolution approved.

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LOCAL ASSISTANCE DIVISION:

Agenda Item 5. Action on Transportation Enhancement Program Policy.

Referenced by attachment of resolution and decision brief.
Prior to the vote Mr. McCarthy voted to amend the resolution as follows:
Add the following category to the resolution on page two in the *NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED* paragraph:

- *Acquisition of Scenic or Historic Easements and Sites*

Mr. McCarthy’s motion to amend was seconded by Mr. Martin. A vote was taken on the amendment resulting in Mr. Koelemay voting no to the amendment with all other presents members voting yes.

The vote was then taken on the amended resolution.
Made by Mr. Keen, Seconded by Mr. McCarthy.
Motion carried, resolution approved as amended.

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Agenda Item 6. Action on Virginia Byway Designation:

Dickenson County
Routes 611 and 631

Referenced by attachment of resolution and decision brief.
Made by Mr. Bowie, Seconded by Mr. Keen.
Motion carried, resolution approved.

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Agenda Item 7. Action on Economic Development Access Programs:

- A. Albemarle County - (De-allocation)
Project No.: 1571-002-281, M501
North Fork Business Center
Referenced by attachment of resolution and decision brief.
Made by Mr. Davies, Seconded by Mr. Bowie.
Motion carried, resolution approved.

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- B. Halifax County
Project No.: 0961-041-xxx, N501
Day Park
Referenced by attachment of resolution and decision brief.
Made by Mr. McCarthy, Seconded by Mr. Martin.
Motion carried, resolution approved.

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- C. Southampton County
Project No.: 0778-087-xxx, N501
Turner Tract Industrial Park
Referenced by attachment of resolution and decision brief.
Made by Mr. Layne, Seconded by Mr. Dickens.
Motion carried, resolution approved.

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Agenda Item 8 Action on Recreational Access Program:

Scott County

Project No.: SLEN-052-101, C501
Daniel Boone Wilderness Trail Interpretive Center
Referenced by attachment of resolution and decision brief.
Made by Mr. Bowie, Seconded by Mr. Keen.
Motion carried, resolution approved.

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RIGHT OF WAY DIVISION:

Agenda Item 9. Action on Land/or Easement Conveyance:

- A. Town of Blacksburg
Route 460, Route 643
Project No.: 6460-060-F19, RW-201

Referenced by attachment of resolution and decision brief.
Made by Mr. Martin, Seconded by Dr. Davis.
Motion carried, resolution approved.

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- B. Nottoway County
Route 723
Project No.: 0723-067-109, C-501

Referenced by attachment of resolution and decision brief.
Made by Mr. McCarthy, Seconded by Mr. Keen.
Motion carried, resolution approved.

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DEPARTMENT OF RAIL AND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

Agenda Item 10. Action on Approval of ARRA Transit Capital Grant Recommendations.

Referenced by attachment of resolution and decision brief.
Made by Ms. Pandak, Seconded by Mr. Layne.
Motion carried, resolution approved.

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Agenda Item 11. Action on Rail Industrial Access.

- A. City of Roanoke
Chemsolv, Inc.

Referenced by attachment of resolution and decision brief.
Made by Mr. Martin, Seconded by Mr. Bowie.
Motion carried, resolution approved.

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- B. Southhampton County
Greenwood RRST, LLC
Referenced by attachment of resolution and decision brief.
Made by Mr. Dickens, Seconded by Mr. Layne.
Motion carried, resolution approved.

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- C. Frederick County
Whiting Road, LLC
Referenced by attachment of resolution and decision brief.
Made by Dr. Davis, Seconded by Mr. Koelemay.
Motion carried, resolution approved.

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Agenda Item 12. Action on Virginia Department of Transportation Agreement to Provide Technical Support to the North Carolina Department of Transportation, Southeast High Speed Rail Project.

Referenced by attachment of resolution and decision brief.
Made by Mr. Davies, Seconded by Mr. Bowie.
Motion carried, resolution approved.

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SCHEDULING AND CONTRACT:

Agenda Item 13. Action on Location Approval for Phase II Route 460 Connector (Bristol)

Referenced by attachment of resolution and decision brief.
Made by Mr. Keen, Seconded by Mr. Bowie.
Motion carried, resolution approved.

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Agenda Item 14. Action on Location/Design Public Hearing Approval for Virginia Capital Trail; Sherwood Forest Phase.

Referenced by attachment of resolution and decision brief.
Made by Mr. McCarthy, Seconded by Mr. Bowie.
Motion carried, resolution approved.

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SCHEDULING AND CONTRACT:

Agenda Item 15. Action on Bids

Page 1 of the attached report, recommending award of order number D06.
Moved by Dr. Davis, Seconded by Mr. Davies.
Motion carried, bid awarded.

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NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Martin indicated that he would bring forth a resolution in December regarding I-73. Mr. Martin asked for the assistance of VDOT staff in crafting this resolution which would ask that VDOT work with FHWA to consider the viability of Henry County's proposed alternative related to I-73.

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Ms. Pandak asked for direct communication to the governing body that the Route 29 Corridor Study is scheduled for action during the December 2009 CTB meeting. Dr. Davis asked for information regarding the process for how the right of way in regards to the Route 29 Study would be divested.

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Mr. Schwartz requested that CTB members receive full copies of all chapters of VTRANS as soon as possible in order to review prior to the next meeting.

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NB 1. Action on Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority and Tri-State Oversight Committee Memorandum of Understanding and Tri-State Oversight Committee Memorandum of Understanding Amendment One.

Referenced by attachment of resolution.
Made by Mr. Keen, Seconded by Ms. Pandak.
Motion carried, resolution approved.

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Mr. Dickens spoke regarding High Speed Rail sharing comments he had heard to the effect that the Congressional delegation does not think there is enough coordination from Virginia with

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neighboring states. Mr. Dickens asked that we make our delegation aware of this perception possibly with the assistance of the governor.

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ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 11:27 a.m. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, December 17, 2009, beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the VDOT Central Auditorium in Richmond, Virginia, 1221 East Broad Street, Richmond, VA

Approved.:

Chairman

Secretary

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