RESOLUTION
OF THE
COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD
January 15, 2020

MOTION
Made By: Mr. Stinson, Seconded By: Ms. DeTuncq
Action: Motion Carried, Unanimously

Title: Discontinuance – Secondary System of State Highways
Route 681 in Russell County

WHEREAS, Route 681, located in Russell County, measuring approximately 0.10 of a mile, no longer provides a public convenience that warrants maintenance at public expense; and

WHEREAS, the Russell County Board of Supervisors has approved a resolution, attached hereto as Exhibit A, requesting the discontinuance of a portion of the original roadway, described as Route 681 and measuring approximately 0.10 mi., as seen in the map attached hereto as Exhibit B; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to § 33.2-908 of the Code of Virginia, notice of the proposed discontinuance was published in the Lebanon News on October 9, 2019; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to § 33.2-908 of the Code of Virginia, a section of the highway may be discontinued from the secondary state highway system by the Commonwealth Transportation Board if the highway is deemed to be not required for public convenience; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Commonwealth Transportation Board approves the discontinuance of the roadway segment identified below as part of the secondary system of state highways, pursuant to §33.2-908, Code of Virginia, 1950, as the roadway is no longer necessary for the uses of the secondary state highway system and is no longer providing sufficient public convenience to warrant maintenance at public expense.
Discontinuance

Bristol District
Russell County
• Route 681 0.10 Mi.

Total Mileage Discontinued from the Secondary System: 0.10 Mi.

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CTB Decision Brief

Discontinuance of Existing Route 681 Located in Russell County

**Issue:** Russell County Board of Supervisors has requested the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) discontinue Route 681 in Russell County, which is 0.10 of a mile in length. Pursuant to §33.2-908 of the *Code of Virginia*, said discontinuance must be approved by the Commonwealth Transportation Board (Board).

**Facts:** The Russell County Board of Supervisors has requested the discontinuance of Route 681, from Route 608 (Straight Hollow Road) to Dead End.

The Russell County Board of Supervisors requested, by resolution on December 2, 2019 (Exhibit A, attached), the discontinuance of Route 681 (road noted in “Yellow” on Exhibit B, attached).

Upon review of the area, VDOT staff determined Route 681 should be discontinued as a part of the Secondary System of State Highways, pursuant to § 33.2-908 of the *Code of Virginia*, as it no longer provides a public convenience that warrants maintenance at public expense.

In accordance with §33.2-908, notice of the discontinuance was published in The Lebanon News newspaper on October 9, 2019. Three property owners with land abutting the section of roadway considered for discontinuance received notice via certified mail.

**Recommendation:** VDOT recommends the Board approve the discontinuance of Route 681 referenced above.

**Action Required by CTB:** The *Code of Virginia* requires a majority of the Board’s members to approve the change proposed in this brief. A resolution describing the proposed road to be discontinued is provided for the Board’s consideration.

**Result if Approved:** If approved, VDOT will suspend all its maintenance activity on the roadway segment.

**Options:** Approve, Deny or Defer

**Public Comments/Reaction:** There were no public comments made at the Russell County Board of Supervisors meeting regarding this proposed discontinuance.
Exhibit A

Board of Supervisors' Resolution

Russell County Virginia
“The Heart of Southwest Virginia”

Harry Ferguson
At-Large

Richard Leak
District 1

Tim Lovelace
District 2

Rebecca Dye, Chairperson
District 3

District 4

District 5

Lou Ann Wallace
Steve Breeding, Vice-Chairman
District 2

Lonzo Lester
County Administrator

The Board of Supervisors of Russell County, in regular meeting on the 2nd day of December 2019, adopted the following:

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING DISCONTINUANCE OF STATE ROUTE 681

WHEREAS, Secondary Route 681 extends from Route 608 to 0.10 mile NW of Route 608, appears to no longer serve public convenience warranting its maintenance at public expense and should be discontinued as a part of the Secondary System of State Highways, and;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The Russell County Board of Supervisors concurs with and supports the action of the Virginia Department of Transportation to discontinue aforesaid portion(s) of Route 681 as a part of the Secondary System of State Highways, pursuant to §33.2-508 B, Code of Virginia, as amended.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Resident Engineer for the Virginia Department of Transportation.

Recorded Vote

Moved By:  Lou Ann Wallace
Seconded By:  Steve Breeding

Yes:  7

Nays:  0

Lonzo Lester, County Administrator

County of Russell Virginia

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Exhibit B
Sketch of Proposed Road to be Discontinued

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Exhibit C
Public Notice of Discontinuance