



COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

Commonwealth Transportation Board

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Agenda item # 1

RESOLUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD

March 17, 2021

MOTION

Made By: Mr. Stinson, **Seconded By:** Ms. DeTuncq

Action: Motion Carried, Unanimously

Title: Discontinuance – Secondary System of State Highways Route 630 in Tazewell County

WHEREAS, a segment of Route 630, located in Tazewell County, measuring approximately 0.30 of a mile, is no longer necessary for the uses of the Secondary state highway system, and therefore no longer provides a public convenience that warrants maintenance at public expense, rendering it eligible for discontinuance; and

WHEREAS, the Tazewell Board of Supervisors has approved a resolution, attached hereto as Exhibit A, supporting the discontinuance described as Route 630, Segment A to B, and measuring approximately 0.30 mile, as seen in the map attached hereto as Exhibit B; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to § 33.2-908 of the *Code of Virginia*, a section of highway may be discontinued from the Secondary state highway system by the Commissioner of Highways, with the approval of the Commonwealth Transportation Board, if the highway is deemed to be no longer necessary for the uses of the Secondary state highway system when a part of the highway no longer provides a public convenience that warrants maintenance at public expense; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Commonwealth Transportation Board approves the discontinuance of the roadway segment identified below and as depicted on Exhibit B attached hereto, as part of the Secondary system of state highways, pursuant to §33.2-908, *Code of Virginia*, 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.

Secondary System of State Highways

Discontinuance

Bristol District

Tazewell County

- Route 630

0.30 Mi.

Total Mileage Discontinued from the Secondary System:

0.30 Mi.

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CTB Decision Brief

Discontinuance - Secondary System of State Highways: Route 630 in Tazewell County

Issue: The Tazewell County Board of Supervisors approved a resolution which supports the discontinuance of a portion of Route 630 in Tazewell County, that is 0.30 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: Upon review of the area, VDOT staff determined that the 0.30 mile portion of Route 630 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.

The Tazewell County Board of Supervisors supported, by resolution on February 2, 2021 (Exhibit A, attached), the discontinuance of the 0.30 mile portion of Route 630 (road noted in “Yellow” on Exhibit B, attached).

In accordance with §33.2-908, notice of the discontinuance was published in the Bluefield Daily Telegraph newspaper on November 3, 2020. Tazewell County Board of Supervisors and 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 the portion of Route 630 referenced above.

Action Required by CTB: The *Code of Virginia* requires a majority of the Board’s members to approve the proposed discontinuance. 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 Tazewell County Board of Supervisors meeting regarding this proposed discontinuance, and there were no requests for a public hearing.

Exhibit A

Board of Supervisors' Resolution

VIRGINIA: AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF TAZEWELL COUNTY, VIRGINIA HELD AT THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, LOCATED AT 197 MAIN STREET, IN THE TOWN OF TAZEWELL, VIRGINIA, ON THE 2ND DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2021, THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED, UPON A MOTION AND SECOND:

Resolution No.: 21-001

Date: February 2, 2021

RESOLUTION REQUESTING DISCONTINUANCE OF A PORTION OF VIRGINIA STATE SECONDARY ROUTE 630

WHEREAS, Virginia State Secondary Route 630, from 0.83 mile north of Route 626 to 0.79 mile south of Route 626, a distance of 0.30 miles, 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;

NOW THEREFORE be it RESOLVED that the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors concurs with and supports the action of the Virginia Department of Transportation to discontinue aforesaid portion(s) of Virginia State Secondary Route 630 as a part of the Secondary System of State Highways, pursuant to Section 33.2-908 of the Code of Virginia (1950), 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.

It is so RESOLVED this 2nd day of February, 2021.

ATTEST:


Thomas A. Lester, Jr.
Chairman – Board of Supervisors


C. Eric Young
Tazewell County Administrator

RECORDED VOTE:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ashley (Glynn) Dillman, Lester, Stacey
MEMBERS ABSENT: Hardwick
AYES: Ashley, Dillman, Lester, Stacey
NAYS: NONE
ABSTENTIONS: NONE

Exhibit B Sketch of Proposed Road to be Discontinued

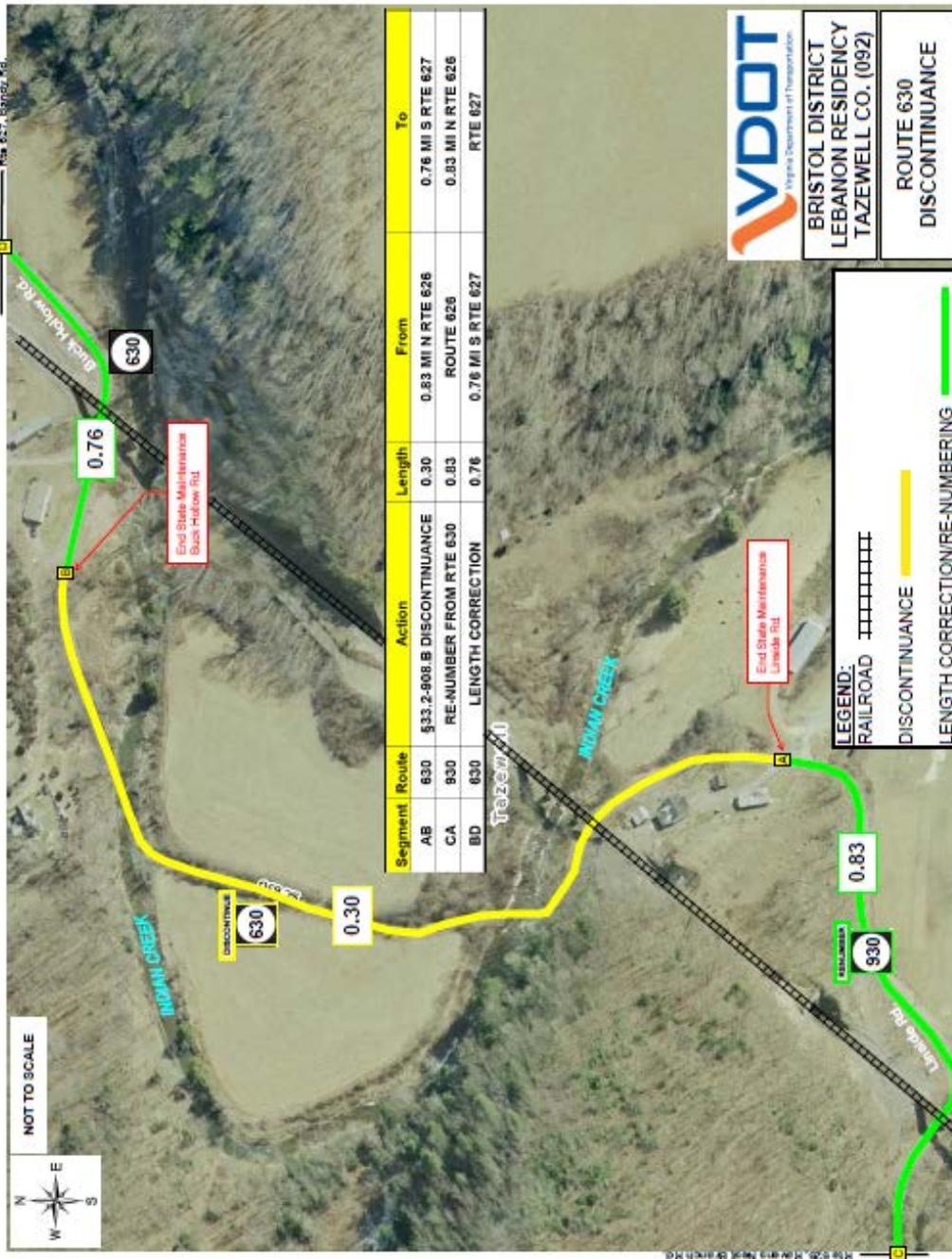


Exhibit C
Public Notice of Discontinuance
Published in the Bluefield Daily Telegraph on November 3, 2020

NOTICE OF PROPOSED ROAD
DISCONTINUANCE
FOR A PORTION OF ROUTE 630,
TAZEWELL CO.

Pursuant to §33.2-908.B of the Code of Virginia, the Virginia Department of Transportation will consider discontinuance of a section of Route 630 from 0.83 mile north of Route 626 (end of state maintenance on Linside Drive) to 0.76 mile south of Route 627 (end of state maintenance on Buck Hollow Rd.), a distance of 0.30 mile. This matter is being considered by the Virginia Department of Transportation because the road does not provide sufficient public service to warrant maintenance at public expense. Discontinuance is an act of the Commonwealth Transportation Board that relieves VDOT of the maintenance and regulatory authority over a roadway due to lack of sufficient public service to warrant continued maintenance at public expense. The administrative and regulatory authority over the right of way is returned to the county Board of Supervisors. Additional information related to the proposed discontinuance may be obtained by contacting the VDOT Lebanon Residency.

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