

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

Central Office Auditorium  
1221 East Broad Street  
Richmond, Virginia

November 17, 2005  
9:00 a.m.

The meeting of the Commonwealth Transportation Board was held in the Central Auditorium of the Department of Transportation in Richmond, Virginia on November 17, 2005. The Chairman, Pierce R. Homer presided, and called the meeting to order at 9:09 a.m.

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Present: Messrs. Bowie, Davies, Davis, Keen, Martin, McCarthy, Sevila, Watson, Witt and Ms. Connally, Ms. Dragas, Ms. Hanley; Vice Chairman Whirley, Ms. Rae, ex officio, Director of the Department of Rail and Public Transportation.

Absent: Messrs. Bailey and White

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**Public Comment Period:**

Mr. Trip Pollard with the Southern Environmental Law Center spoke regarding agenda items 8, 9 and 10 specifically The Tri-County Parkway, Southeastern Expressway and Route 460. Mr. Pollard urged the Board to reject or defer the locations of these projects as currently proposed.

Mr. Morgan Butler with the Southern Environmental Law Center spoke regarding agenda item 10, specifically the Route 460 location approval proposal. Mr. Butler urged the Board to reject or defer the location of this project as currently proposed.

Pastor Frederick R. Carter spoke on behalf of Sheppardsville Baptist Church and the difficulty his church was experiencing regarding the location of the driveway for the Church. Pastor Carter read from a prepared statement, a copy of which is attached hereto. Mal Kerley, Chief Engineer, spoke with Pastor Carter after he finished addressing the Board.

Mr. Robert O. Chase of the Northern Virginia Transportation Alliance spoke regarding the location of the Tri-County Parkway. Mr. Chase read from a prepared statement, a copy of which is attached hereto.

Mr. Stewart Schwartz of Coalition for Smarter Growth. Mr. Schwartz spoke regarding agenda item number 10, specifically the Route 460 location approval proposal. Mr. Schwartz urged the Board to reject or defer the location of this project as currently proposed.

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**Approval of Minutes of Prior Meeting:**

Action on Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting of October 20, 2005. 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](http://www.virginiadot.org) and the Virginia Regulatory Town Hall.

Moved by Mr. Keen, seconded by Dr. Davis.  
Motion Carried, minutes approved.

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**MOBILITY MANAGEMENT:**

**Agenda Items 1A – 1K:** Action on Addition, Abandonments and Transferences, due to construction and relocation, specifically (A) Old Route 28 – Fauquier County, Project: 0028-030-101, C-501,(B) Old Route 652 – Fauquier County, Project: 0215-030-102, C501,(C) Old Route 643 – Fauquier County, Project: 0643-030-302, C501, (D)Old Route 657 – Dickenson County, Project: 063-025-V05, C-501,(E) Old Route 802 – Tazewell County, Project: 0102-092-V05, C501,(F)Old Route 669 – Amherst County, Project: 0130-005-F05, C502, (G) Old Route 620 – Henry County, Project: 0620-044-269, C501,(H)Old Route 621 – Wise County, Project: 0621-097-389, C501,(I)Old Route 638 – Wise County, Project: 0638-097-450, C501,(J)Old Route 656 – Spotsylvania County, Project: 0656-088-210, M503,(K)Old Route 703 – Accomack County, Project: 0703-001-206, M501.Referenced by attachment of Resolutions and Decision Briefs.

Moved by Mr. Davies seconded by Mr. Bowie.  
Motion carried, resolutions approved.

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**Agenda Item 1L:** Action on Through Truck Restriction specifically, Route 273 – New Kent County, Route 273 (Farmers Drive) between Route 30 (New Kent Highway) and Route 30/33 (Eltham Road). Referenced by attachment of Resolution and Decision Brief.

Moved by Mr. McCarthy, seconded by Dr. Davis.  
Motion carried, resolution approved.

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**LOCAL ASSISTANCE DIVISION:**

**Agenda Items 2A- 2D:** Action on Industrial Access specifically: (A) Henry County, Project 1181-044-323, N504, Patriot Centre at Beaver Creek, Phase IV (B) Henry County, Project 1186-044-434, N501, Patriot Centre at Beaver Creek, Phase V (C) Albemarle County, Deallocation-Rescinding July 20, 1995 CTB Action, Project 0763-002-251, M501, GE-Fanuc Automation, (D) Prince George County, Project 0732-074-195, N502, Southpoint Business Park, Phase IV Referenced by attachment of Resolutions and Decision Briefs.

Item 2-A; Moved by Mr. Martin, seconded by Ms. Connally.  
Motion carried, resolution approved.

Item 2-B; Moved by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Bowie.  
Motion carried, resolution approved.

Item 2-C; Moved by Mr. Davies, seconded by Mr. Keen.  
Motion carried, resolution approved.

Item 2-D; Moved by Mr. McCarthy, seconded by Mr. Bowie.  
Motion carried, resolution approved.

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**Agenda Item 3A:** Action on Recreational Access specifically Loudoun County, Project 0883-053-308, N501, Philip A. Bolen Memorial Park  
Referenced by attachment of Resolution and Decision Brief.

Moved by Mr. Sevila, seconded by Ms. Hanley.  
Motion carried, resolution approved.

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**RIGHT OF WAY AND UTILITIES DIVISION:**

**Agenda Item 4A:** Action on Land Conveyances specifically, Old Route 782 and Route 95, Hanover County, Project No.: 0782-042-147, C-501.  
Referenced by attachment of Resolution and Decision Brief.

Moved by Mr. Watson, seconded by Mr. Bowie.  
Motion carried, resolution approved.

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**Agenda Item 5A:** Action on Abandonments specifically, Routes 295 and Old Route 698  
Chesterfield County , Project Nos.: 0095-020-101, RW-203.  
Referenced by attachment of Resolution and Decision Brief.

This item was removed from the agenda with no action taken by the  
Commonwealth Transportation Board.

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**Agenda Item 6A:** Action on Action on Limited Access specifically, Revision to Policy on  
Limited Access.

Referenced by attachment of Resolution and Decision Brief.

Following the November 16<sup>th</sup> workshop discussion whereby several Board Members requested additional information, a copy of DPM 2-11 and a copy of the current VDOT guidelines were provided. A copy of the proposed guidelines with requested changes as discussed at the November 16<sup>th</sup> workshop was provided, as well.

Mr. Mal Kerley, Chief Engineer, addressed the Board to clarify what the guidelines currently are compared to the proposed changes to the CTB Policy.

Mr. Stuart Waymack, Division Administrator of Right of Way and Utilities, answered questions regarding the proposed policy.

A general discussion by the Commonwealth Transportation Board regarding the proposed policy ensued. Several motions for amendments to the proposed policy were made and approved. A copy of the amended policy as approved by the resolution is attached hereto.

After all the amendments were approved, it was moved by Dr. Davis and seconded by Mr. Bowie.

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A five minute break was called by the Chairman at 11:21 a.m. Upon the recommencement of the Board at 11:26 a.m., Agenda Item 11 was taken up and voted on out of order.

**LOCATION AND DESIGN DIVISION:**

**Agenda Item 7A:** Action on Location Approval specifically, Route 8 Connector, Town of Stuart, Project No. R000-070-101, PE101, RW201, C501, Federal Project HPD-070-2 (003) Referenced by attachment of Resolution and Decision Brief.

Moved by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Bowie. Motion carried, resolution approved.

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**ENVIRONMENTAL DIVISION:**

**Agenda Item 8.** Action on Location Approval for the Tri-County Parkway. Referenced by attachment of Resolution and Decision Brief.

Moved by Ms. Hanley, seconded by Mr. Watson.  
The Chairman called for a vote on the resolution;  
There was one vote against the resolution by Dr. Davis.  
Motion carried, resolution approved.

A general discussion ensued regarding Western Section C and its connection to the Manassas Battlefield Bypass Study by several members.

Mr. Sevila stated for the record that he feels uncomfortable backing away from a project that has been on local comprehensive plans for a period of time, that in his opinion is a less efficient corridor.

Dr. Davis indicated he did not want this decision to be viewed as a substitution for the area comprehensive plan and asked that this request be addressed before this resolution was voted on.

A general discussion ensued regarding the alternative as described in the regionally adopted constrained long range plans and that fact that this proposed location did not fit in with those plans.

Dr. Davis made a motion to add the statement "Be It Further Resolved, that the CTB affirms its support of the facilities and programs as included in the regionally adopted Constrained Long Range Plan" be added to the resolution.

Ms. Hanley indicated she would not accept this action as a friendly amendment and requested that Dr. Davis's request be moved and voted on.

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The Chairman called for a vote on the amendment; the vote was four (4) in favor of the amendment and eight (8) against, motion failed.

The Chairman called for a vote on the resolution, there was one vote of no by Dr. Davis, resolution passed.

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**Agenda Item 9.** Action on the Revised Location for the Southeastern Parkway and Greenbelt. Referenced by attachment of Resolution and Decision Brief.

Mr. McCarthy indicated he did not think this project was ready for a decision and he would like to see it deferred due to concerns regarding environmental impacts this project may cause.

Ms. Dragas disqualified herself from discussion. A copy of Ms. Dragas' letter explaining the reasons for her abstention is attached to the minutes.

Moved by Mr. Witt, seconded by Dr. Davis.  
The Chairman called for a vote on the resolution;  
Mr. McCarthy voted no; Ms. Dragas and Mr. Bowie abstained.  
Motion carried, resolution approved.

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**Action Item 10.** Action on Location Approval for Route 460. Referenced by attachment of Resolution and Decision Brief.

Moved by Mr. Watson, seconded by Mr. Keen.  
Motion carried, resolution approved.

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**DEPARTMENT OF RAIL AND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION:**

**Agenda Item 11.** Action on State Aid to City of Petersburg. Referenced by attachment of Resolution and Decision Brief.

Moved by Mr. McCarthy, seconded by Ms. Connally.  
Motion carried, resolution approved.

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**INNOVATIVE PROJECT DELIVERY:**

**Agenda Item 12.** Action on Alternative Funding Sources for Route 460, Tri-County Parkway, and Southeastern Expressway and Greenbelt Referenced by attachment of Resolution and Decision Brief.

A general discussion regarding the process used to solicit PPTA's ensued.

Ms. Hanley moved to delete the phrase "for the facilities and programs in the regionally adopted Constrained Long Range Plans" from the resolution and offered the replacement phrase of "for the approved locations of Route 460, Tri-County Parkway, and Southeastern Parkway and Greenbelt."

Ms. Connally seconded the motion made by Ms. Hanley.

The Chairman called for a vote on the motion made by Ms. Hanley. The vote was a tie; the Chairman cast his vote for the amendment. The motion passed.

Mr. McCarthy requested that the Southeastern Parkway and Green Beltway location be separated from the others.

Dr. Davis made a motion to vote separately on the Southeastern Parkway and Green Beltway location, Mr. Watson seconded the motion.

The Chairman called for a vote on the resolution recognizing the amendment made by Dr. Davis referenced in the minutes, this vote was for the solicitation of proposals for the location decisions regarding Route 460 and the Tri-County Parkway. The resolution, as amended, was moved by Mr. Witt, seconded by Mr. Watson. Resolution passed unanimously.

The Chairman called for a vote on the resolution as amended recognizing the amendment made by Dr. Davis referenced in the minutes, this vote was for the solicitation of proposals for the location decision on the Southeastern Parkway and Greenbelt.

The resolution passed with Mr. McCarthy voting against it and Ms. Dragas abstaining.

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**SCHEDULING AND CONTRACT DIVISION:**

**Agenda Item 13:** Action on Bids for Interstate, Primary, Secondary, Urban and Miscellaneous Projects Received October 2005, for projects in excess of \$2 million for award and authorized execution of contracts by the Commissioner, or Chief Engineer. Referenced by attachment of Bid Results Report.

Moved by Dr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Keen.  
Motion carried, bids approved.

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**NEW BUSINESS**

None

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**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 1:13 p.m. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, December 15, 2005, beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the VDOT Central Auditorium, 1221 East Broad Street, Richmond, VA

Approved:

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Chairman

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Secretary