

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

Central Office Auditorium  
1221 East Broad Street  
Richmond, Virginia

January 16, 2008  
12:00 PM

The meeting of the Commonwealth Transportation Board was held in the Central Office Auditorium of the Virginia Department of Transportation in Richmond, Virginia on January 16, 2008. The Chairman, Pierce R. Homer, presided and called the meeting to order at 3:09 p.m.

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Present: Messrs. Bowie, Davies, Davis, Dickens, Keen, Koelemay, Martin, McCarthy, Schwartz, Sterling, White, Witt, Ms. Carter, Ms. Connally; Vice Chairman Ekern, and Mr. Tucker, ex officio, Director of the Department of Rail and Public Transportation.

Absent: None

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**Public Comment Period:**

None

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**Approval of Minutes of Prior Meeting:**

Action on Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting December 13, 2007. 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 Mr. Bowie.  
Motion carried, minutes approved.

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**ASSET MANAGEMENT DIVISION:**

**Agenda Item 1.** Action on Abandonments, Discontinuances and Transfers in the Primary and the Secondary System of State Highways:

Abandonments -- State Highway System, §33.1-145

Lynchburg District, Project: 0041-071-101, C-502

- o Pittsylvania County – Route 41 – Section 1  
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0.50

TOTAL MILEAGE ABANDONED FROM THE PRIMARY SYSTEM: 0.50  
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Referenced by attachment of resolution and decision brief.  
Moved by Mr. White, seconded by Dr. Davis.  
Motion carried, resolution approved

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**Agenda Item 2.** Action on Bridge Designation specifically naming Route 724 over Wolf Creek in Giles County the “Jarrett Lee Lane Memorial Bridge”.

Referenced by attachment of resolution and decision brief.  
Moved by Mr. Schwartz, seconded by Mr. Witt.  
Motion carried, resolution approved

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**LOCAL ASSISTANCE DIVISION:**

**Agenda Item 3.** Action on Recreational Access Program specifically:

- (A) Gloucester County  
Woodville Plantation Park  
Project No.: 0765-036-563, N501

Referenced by attachment of resolution and decision brief.  
Moved by Mrs. Carter, seconded by Mr. McCarthy.  
Motion carried, resolution approved

- (B) Henry County  
Smith River Sports Complex  
Project No.: 0765-044-843, N501

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

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**Agenda Item 4.** Action on Economic Development Access Program specifically:

Frederick County

Alban Tractor Company Inc.

Project No.: 0825-034-719, N501

Referenced by attachment of resolution and decision brief.

Moved by Dr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Davies.

Motion carried, resolution approved

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**RIGHT OF WAY AND UTILITIES DIVISION:**

**Agenda Item 5.** Action on Land and Easement Conveyances specifically:

(A)

Route 19

Russell County

Project No.: 6019-083-107, RW-201

Referenced by attachment of resolution and decision brief.

Moved by Mr. Bowie, seconded by Mr. Keen.

Motion carried, resolution approved

(B)

Interstate 295, Routes 1400 and 1401

Hanover County

Project No.: 0095-042-106, RW-202

Referenced by attachment of resolution and decision brief.

Moved by Mr. McCarthy, seconded by Mr. Bowie.

Motion carried, resolution approved

(C)

Route 649

Albemarle County

Project No.: 0649-002-158, C501

Referenced by attachment of resolution and decision brief.

Moved by Mr. Davies, seconded by Mrs. Carter.

Motion carried, resolution approved

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- (D) Interstate 95, Route 301 and Route 631  
subsequently renumbered to Route 736  
Sussex County  
Project Nos.: 1891-02 and 0095-091-101, RW-201

Referenced by attachment of resolution and decision brief.  
Moved by Mr. Witt, seconded by Mrs. Carter.  
Motion carried, resolution approved

**Agenda Item 6.** Action on Limited Access specifically:

- (A) Route 37 and Future Extension of Jubal Early Drive Interchange and  
Route 621 (Merrimans Lane)  
Frederick County  
Project No.: 6037-034-101, RW-201

Referenced by attachment of resolution and decision brief.  
Moved by Dr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Koelemay.  
Motion carried, resolution approved

- (B) Route 15 and Route 58 (Clarksville Bypass)  
Mecklenburg County  
Project No.: 0015-058-E07, RW-201

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

- (C) Route 291 (Northwest Expressway) renumbered to Route 501,  
and Town Center Parkway and Lakeside Center Parkway  
City of Lynchburg  
Project No.: 0291-015-102, RW-201

Referenced by attachment of resolution and decision brief.  
Moved by Mr. White, seconded by Mr. Davies .  
Motion carried, resolution approved

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**PROGRAMMING DIVISION:**

**Agenda Item 7.** Action on FY08-13 Six-Year Improvement Program Transfers for  
December 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007.

Referenced by attachment of resolution and decision brief.  
Moved by Mr. White, seconded by Mr. Bowie.  
Motion carried, resolution approved

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**SCHEDULING & CONTRACT DIVISION:**

**Agenda Item 8:** Action on Bids Received: the months of September, November and December 2006:

Page 1 of the attached report, recommending award of order number 06.  
Moved by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Bowie.  
Motion carried, bid awarded.

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Page 1 of the attached report, recommending award of order number N9H.  
Moved by Mr. McCarthy, seconded by Mr. Davies.  
Motion carried, bid awarded.

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Page 2 of the attached report, recommending award of order number J46.  
Moved by Mr. Witt, seconded by Mrs. Carter.  
Mr. Dickens abstained from the vote disclosing that a member of his board was affiliated with the contractor.  
Motion carried, bid awarded.

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Page 2 of the attached report, recommending award of order number J50.  
Moved by Mr. Witt, seconded by Mr. Keen.  
Motion carried, bid awarded.

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Page 3 of the attached report, recommending award of order number K86.  
Moved by Mr. Davies, seconded by Dr. Davis.  
Motion carried, bid awarded.

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Page 4 of the attached report, recommending award of order number A07.  
Moved by Mr. Koelemay, seconded by Mrs. Connally.  
Motion carried, bid awarded.

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Page 4 of the attached report, recommending award of order number A19.  
Moved by Mr. McCarthy, seconded by Mr. Bowie.  
Motion carried, bid awarded.

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Page 5 of the attached report, recommending award of order number 901.  
Moved by Mr. Koelemay, seconded by Mrs. Connally.  
Motion carried, bid awarded.

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Page 6 of the attached report, recommending award of order number 12/07.

Moved by Mr. Witt, seconded by Mr. Keen.

Mr. Dickens abstained from the vote disclosing that a member of his board was affiliated with the contractor.

Motion carried, bid awarded.

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Page 7 of the attached report, recommending award of order number 12/07.

Moved by Mrs. Connally, seconded by Mr. Koelemay.

Motion carried, bid awarded.

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Page 8 of the attached report, recommending award of order number 157-RT.

Moved by Dr. Davis, seconded by Mr. White.

Motion carried, bid awarded.

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Page 9 of the attached report, recommending award of order number 200-JB.

Moved by Mr. Dickens, seconded by Mr. Witt.

Motion carried, bid awarded.

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Page 10 of the attached report, recommending award of order number 12/07.

Moved by Mr. McCarthy, seconded by Mr. Martin.

Motion carried, bid awarded.

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Page 11 of the attached report, recommending award of order number K95.

Moved by Mr. Koelemay, seconded by Mrs. Connally.

Motion carried, bid awarded.

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Page 12 of the attached report, recommending award of order number K66.

Moved by Mr. Koelemay, seconded by Mrs. Connally.

Motion carried, bid awarded.

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**NEW BUSINESS:**

Commissioner Ekern briefed the Board on the status of closed and structurally deficient bridges in Virginia, providing a handout listing those bridges. Included in his handout was information from the National Transportation Safety Board regarding the failure of the Interstate 35W highway bridge over the Mississippi River as well as a Technical Advisory from the U.S Department of Transportation regarding Gusset Plates in Steel Truss Bridges. A copy of this material is attached hereto.

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Commissioner Ekern briefed the Board on the status of the I-81 PPTA Corridor and provided the Board with copy of correspondence which he signed directing VDOT to terminate all activities related to the PPTA procurement of improvement to the Interstate 81 Corridor. The

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Commissioner has directed staff to advance the truck climbing lanes utilizing a design build delivery method in accordance with the Code. A copy of this correspondence is attached hereto.

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Mrs. Connally, citing the number of deaths in 2007, asked that the Board take whatever steps necessary to cut these numbers.

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Mr. Mike Estes briefly reviewed the Enhancement Program with the Board members, an individualized package was placed at each members seat, asking for their input on the projects.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 4:03 p.m. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 20, 2008, beginning at 12 p.m. in Richmond, Virginia.

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Chairman

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Secretary