



**Central Virginia Transportation Planning Organization**

**~ MINUTES ~**

**September 16, 2021, 4:00 pm**

**MEMBERS PRESENT (In-Person)**

Dwayne Tuggle..... Town of Amherst  
Sarah Carter ..... Town of Amherst  
Dean Rodgers..... Amherst County  
John Sharp..... Bedford County  
Robert Hiss..... Bedford County  
Frank Rogers..... Campbell County  
Wynter Benda ..... City of Lynchburg

**MEMBERS PRESENT (Virtually)**

Chris Winstead [Personal Exemption]..... VDOT Lynchburg District  
Daniel Sonenklar..... Dept. of Rail and Public Transportation  
Kenny Craig ..... Liberty University

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Beau Wright..... City of Lynchburg  
Jennifer Moore ..... Amherst County  
Charlie Watts ..... Campbell County

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Rick Youngblood..... VDOT Lynchburg District  
Gary Christie..... CVPDC  
Kelly Hitchcock ..... CVPDC  
Philipp Gabathuler ..... CVPDC  
Ada Hunsberger ..... CVPDC/CVTPO

**1. Call to Order & Establishment of Quorum**

Mayor Tuggle, chair, called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. There was an established quorum physically present, and therefore voting was able to proceed.

**2. Electronic Meeting Policy**

Ada Hunsberger presented the proposed electronic meeting policy which allows for board members to participate electronically under certain circumstances. There was a motion made by Sara Carter to adopt the electronic meeting policy, seconded by Robert Hiss. The motion was unanimously approved.

### **3. Approval of the April 15, 2021 Minutes**

Upon a motion made by Sara Carter, seconded by Dean Rodgers, the minutes of the April 15, 2021 meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

### **4. Board 2021-2022 Elections**

Mayor Dwayne Tuggle, Chair and Beau Wright, Vice Chair were nominated to remain in the currently held position. A motion was made by Frank Rogers and seconded by Dean Rodgers. The motion was unanimously approved.

### **5. Proposed TIP Amendment**

Ada Hunsberger reviewed the proposed TIP Amendment which reallocated funds from FFY22 to FFY21 in the preventative maintenance category. There was no public comment. Rick Youngblood from VDOT confirmed that these maintenance activities. A motion was made by Sara Carter and seconded by Frank Rogers.

### **6. Transportation Alternatives Program**

Ada Hunsberger provided an overview of the various Transportation Alternatives projects which were submitted to VDOT for approval. There were projects discussed from the City of Lynchburg, Amherst County and Amherst Town.

A motion to approve the resolution of support for the City of Lynchburg application was made by Wynter Benda and seconded by Dean Rodgers.

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### **7. DRPT TRIP Application**

Philipp Gabathuler presented information about the Greater Lynchburg Transit Company's Transit Ridership Incentive Program (TRIP) application. The board was asked to confirm support of the application by a vote. A motion was made by John Sharp and seconded by Mr. Hiss.

### **8. Matters from the Members**

Dean Rogers raised the topic of pedestrian access from Amherst to Lynchburg by way of either the John Lynch bridge or underneath the Carter Glass bridge. He suggested using transportation alternatives funding to complete such a project. Kelly Hitchcock mentioned it would connect to Madison Heights. Mr. Winstead commented that we will need to make sure that the project is safe, resilient, and cost effective. Mr. Winstead will be setting up a meeting with the City of Lynchburg and Amherst County to further this effort.

Mr. Hiss discussed the expansion of Century equipment on Route 460 (at Rt 811), which has brought up concerns about access there and other industries have similar issues. CVTPO staff will coordinate between the Salem and Lynchburg VDOT districts, as well as Campbell and Bedford County.

9. **Adjournment:** There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.