



Central Virginia Transportation Planning Organization
August 20, 2026, 4:30 p.m. Meeting
CVPDC Office, 828 Main St., 12th Floor, Lynchburg, VA

FINAL MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT

Wynter Benda, Vice-Chair	City of Lynchburg
Jeremy Bryant	Amherst County
Paul Harvey (proxy for Frank Rogers)	Campbell County
Robert Hiss	Bedford County
Tom Lawton	Campbell County
Sara McGuffin (virtual)	Town of Amherst
John Sharp	Bedford County
Evan Tuten (virtual)	Virginia Department of Rail & Public Transit
Natalie Wilkins (proxy for Josh Moore)	Greater Lynchburg Transit Company
Chris Winstead	VDOT – Lynchburg District

MEMBERS ABSENT

Chris Adams	Amherst County
Kenny Craig	Liberty University
Martin Misjuns	Lynchburg City Council
Dwayne Tuggle, Chair	Town of Amherst

OTHERS PRESENT

Alec Brebner	CVPDC/CVTPO
Brian Casto	VDOT – Lynchburg District
Carson Eckhardt (virtual)	VDOT – Lynchburg District
Nathan Gregory	CVPDC
Kelly Hitchcock	CVPDC/CVTPO
Lindsay Marfurt (virtual)	Timmons Group
Hannah Mitchell	CVPDC
Rachel Moon	Timmons Group
Emily Routman (virtual)	Timmons Group
Kelli Rowan	VDOT – Lynchburg District
Thomas Ruff	Timmons Group

1. Call to Order & Establishment of Quorum

Vice-Chair Wynter Benda called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. and confirmed a quorum.

MOTION: Chris Winstead moved to approve electronic participation. Jeremy Bryant seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Approval of Minutes: July 16, 2026

MOTION: Robert Hiss moved to approve the July 16, 2026, minutes as presented. Jeremy Bryant seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Connect Central Virginia 2050, Long Range Transportation Plan

Emily Routman presented an overview of public survey results. Common public priorities across 163 online survey responses and 6 in-person events include safety, maintenance, and connectivity and accessibility across modes. In an average week, 89% of online survey respondents drive at least once, 53% walk, 10% bike, and 6% take transit.

Thomas Ruff presented project lists for review. The list includes projects proposed in other plans and new ones recommended by the TTC and locality staff. Kelly Hitchcock noted that the TTC reviewed and approved the list. Ruff asked each member to review and reply with any list updates soon, as the projects will be scored soon. Robert Hiss recommended adding a specific Bedford County project.

Ruff presented a draft scoring methodology based on the Connect Central Virginia 2045 LRTP. Goals include mobility and accessibility, safety, economy, community and nature, and operational efficiency. Timmons Group added the VDOT Pedestrian & Bike Safety Action Plan (PBSAP), Virginia's Transportation Plan, and the Central Virginia Safety Action Plan as scoring considerations. Based on survey responses, the Timmons team recommended reducing the weight of mobility and accessibility by 5% to increase safety from 25% to 30%. The board reached consensus to follow this recommendation. Several members expressed concern about the weight given to the PBSAP, since fewer residents walk and bike than drive. The board reached consensus to weigh the PBSAP at 8 points and the other two safety factors – Fatal & Injury Traffic Crash Rate and PSI Locations – at 11 points each.

Ruff reminded all to submit their project list updates soon. The Timmons team plans to share the project scores in about two weeks and present the full plan for approval consideration at the September meeting.

4. Opportunity for Public Comment

Benda opened the public comment period. Hearing none, he closed the public comment period.

5. Matters from the Board and/or Staff

No additional matters were discussed.

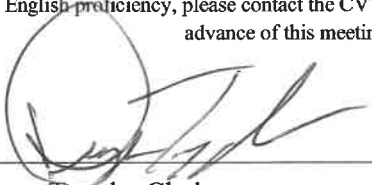
6. Adjourn

MOTION: Jeremy Bryant moved to adjourn the meeting. Chris Winstead seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting concluded at 5:48 p.m.

Informational Item: The CVTPO's next meeting is September 17, 2026. A quorum is required.

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By:


Dwayne Tuggle, Chair
Central Virginia Transportation Planning Organization

Date:

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