

Central Virginia Transportation Technical Committee

828 Main Street, 12th Floor, July 8, 2021 at 10:30 a.m.

In-Person and Electronic Meeting

MINUTES

PRESENT

Jeremy Bryant (U/R) Amherst County
Paul Harvey (U/R)..... Campbell County
Sharon Williams (R)..... Town of Altavista
Mariel Fowler (U/R) Bedford County
Brian Booth (U)..... Greater Lynchburg Transit Company
Daniel Sonenklar (U/R)..... Virginia Dept. of Rail and Public Transportation
Rick Youngblood (U/R)..... Virginia Department of Transportation

ABSENT

Sara Carter (U)..... Town of Amherst
Todd Carroll (U)..... Liberty University
Kevin Jones (U/R)..... Federal Highway Administration
Andrew LaGala (U)..... Lynchburg Regional Airport
Johnnie Roark (R) Appomattox County
Gary Shanaberger (R)..... Town of Appomattox
Russell Thurston (R) Town of Brookneal
Tom Martin (U) City of Lynchburg
Mary Zirkle (R) Town of Bedford

U- Members representing the urbanized area of the region

R- Members representing the rural area of the region

OTHERS PRESENT

J.P. Morris Virginia Department of Transportation
David Cook Virginia Department of Transportation
Ada Hunsberger CVPDC
Philipp Gabathuler CVPDC
Ryan Roberts..... City of Lynchburg

1. Call to Order

Paul Harvey, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

2. Roll Call

Attendance of the members present was recorded. Rick Youngblood of Virginia Department of Transportation and Daniel Sonenklar of Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transit participated virtually.

3. Approval of the April 2021 Meeting Minutes

The April 2021 Meeting Minutes were unanimously approved.

4. Electronic Meeting Policy

Upon discussion amongst committee members, this matter has been tabled until the next meeting to seek any additional opportunity for the committee to have more flexibility in allowing virtual participation.

5. Transportation Alternatives Program

There are three projects being submitted

A motion was made by Jeremy Bryant, seconded by Sharon Williams, to recommend that CVTPO approves the adoption of a resolution of support for the Town of Amherst Transportation Alternatives application.

A motion was made by Jeremy Bryant, seconded by Sharon Williams, to recommend that CVTPO approves the adoption of a resolution of support for the Amherst County Transportation Alternatives application.

A motion was made by Sharon Williams, seconded by Jeremy Bryant, to recommend that CVTPO approve the adoption of a resolution of support for the City of Lynchburg Transportation Alternatives application.

Rick Youngblood informed the Committee that the Transportation Alternative Program applications are more competitive this cycle due to a large number of high-cost projects, and a budget of \$2 million. In the future, it is likely that more low-cost improvements will be preferred (under \$1 million).

6. Matters from the Committee

J.P. Morris spoke on the Salem District's new policy on allowing technical assistance on only one SMART SCALE project per locality, and that local governments must inform the district with their intention to submit a project by July 16.

Rick Youngblood asserted that the Lynchburg district will not have a similar policy due to its longstanding SMART SCALE application prioritization process.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:04 a.m.
The next meeting will be on August 12, 2021 at 10:30 a.m.