

Central Virginia Transportation Technical Committee

Thursday, February 12, 2026, 10:30 a.m.
Hybrid Meeting

Draft Meeting Minutes

PRESENT

Paul Harvey, Chair (U/R) Campbell County
Tyler Creasy (U/R) Amherst County
Jamie Gillespie (R) (virtual) Town of Altavista
Josh Moore (U) Greater Lynchburg Transit Company
Ryan Roberts (U) City of Lynchburg
Erik Smedley (U/R) Bedford County
Carol Moneymaker (U/R) virtual VDOT-Salem District
Katherine Reusch (U/R) (virtual) Campbell County
Carson Eckhardt (virtual) VDOT – Lynchburg District
Mariel Fowler (U/R) (virtual) Bedford County

ABSENT

Jay Brown (U/R) VDOT – Lynchburg District
Rob Fowler (R) Town of Appomattox
Rachel Frischeisen (U) City of Lynchburg
Catherine Gamble (U/R) Amherst County
Craig Hughes (R) Town of Brookneal
Johnnie Roark (R) Appomattox County
Evan Tuten (U/R) Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation
Mary Zirkle (R) Town of Bedford

U- Members representing the urbanized area of the region

R- Members representing the rural area of the region

GUEST and STAFF PRESENT

Tyler Amburgey (virtual) Amherst County
Alec Brebner CVPDC
Kelly Hitchcock CVPDC/CVTPO
Zachary Holder (virtual) Timmons Group
Hannah Mitchell CVPDC
Rachel Moon Timmons Group
Emily Routman (virtual) Timmons Group
Thomas Ruff Timmons Group
Rebecca Sulla (virtual) Kimley-Horn
Rafael Torre City of Lynchburg Public Works

1. Welcome & Call to Order

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

2. Approval of Minutes: January 8, 2026

Paul Harvey entertained a motion to approve the January 8, 2026, minutes.

MOTION: Josh Moore moved to approve the January 8, 2026, minutes as presented. Erik Smedley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Connect Central Virginia 2050 – LRTP Update

Kelly Hitchcock introduced Thomas Ruff and Rachel Moon of Timmons Group. Timmons will lead the update of the CVTPO Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). Ruff presented an overview of the LRTP scope, purpose, and process. The plan will lay the framework for the future of transportation within the MPO urban footprint, promoting coordination and supporting funding applications. MPOs are federally required to update the plan every 5 years. This month, Timmons will conduct initial research, reviewing and analyzing previous plans and available data. Next month, they plan to speak with each locality about plans, data, goals, and insights they may have to contribute. He also highlighted the essential public engagement process, including an online project hub. They plan to complete the plan within the calendar year.

Hitchcock and Ruff discussed how the rural sections of the region could be included as a separate appendix or document for adoption by the CVPDC.

Hitchcock noted that the TTC's regular meetings will be extended half an hour, thus beginning at 10:00 a.m. to allow extra time for the LRTP. She also noted informing the CVTPO that additional meetings may be needed.

4. Draft FFY2027 – 2030 CVTIP

Hitchcock reported that Ada Hunsberger is taking over the TIP 2027-2030 update. She noted that they are following the VDOT schedule and will seek TTC approval and CVTPO adoption in May.

5. FY27 Rural and Urban Work Program – Project Development

Hitchcock reminded the board that she will be coordinating with the localities regarding the FY27 UPWP and Rural Work Programs. Hitchcock noted that the LRTP process will be the primary element in the work programs and that the process may identify future project initiatives that can be brought into the work program during the year.

6. Matters from the Committee

a. State and Federal Partner Program Updates

VDOT: Carson Eckhardt, VDOT-Lynchburg District, provided an overview of several projects in progress. The Campbell Avenue STARS study public survey is currently live. The Amherst Walkability Study is proceeding with support from the town council, with the public survey being drafted. Finally, he reported that the upcoming Smart Scale round will likely have a high application count, double or triple the typical number.

b. Locality Information/Updates

- Josh Moore, GLTC, reported that the DRPT grant applications submitted by the February 1st deadline are now under review. He also mentioned that DRPT has a new administrator.

c. Other

- Hitchcock informed the board of two upcoming grant opportunities.
The Virginia Outdoors Foundation - is making \$2.1 million available through its Preservation Trust Fund for projects that protect open space. Applications are due March 18th.
DCR Recreational Trail Program - grant round, with applications due May 5th. They have \$1.45 million available this year, with a minimum application of \$50,000.

7. Adjourn

Paul Harvey entertained a motion to adjourn.

MOTION: Tyler Creasy moved to adjourn the meeting. Josh Moore seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.