

Central Virginia Transportation Technical Committee

Thursday, July 9, 2026, 10:00 a.m.

Hybrid Meeting

Draft Meeting Minutes

PRESENT

Tyler Creasy (U/R) (virtual) Amherst County
Rob Fowler (R) Town of Appomattox
Rachel Frischeisen (U) (virtual) City of Lynchburg
Jamie Gillespie (R) (virtual) Town of Altavista
Paul Harvey, Chair (U/R) Campbell County
Josh Moore (U) Greater Lynchburg Transit Company
J.P. Morris (U/R) VDOT – Salem District
Katherine Reusch Campbell County
Johnnie Roark (R) (virtual) Appomattox County
Ryan Roberts (U) (virtual) City of Lynchburg
Kelli Rowan VDOT – Lynchburg District
Erik Smedley (U/R) Bedford County
Evan Tuten (U/R) (virtual) Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation

ABSENT

Craig Hughes (R) Town of Brookneal
Sara McGuffin (U) Town of Amherst
Mary Zirkle (R) (virtual) 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

Alec Brebner CVPDC
Carson Eckhardt (virtual) VDOT – Lynchburg District
Kelly Hitchcock CVPDC/CVTPO
Hannah Mitchell CVPDC
Carol Moneymaker (virtual) VDOT – Salem District
Rachel Moon (virtual) Timmons Group
Emily Routman (virtual) Timmons Group
Thomas Ruff (virtual) Timmons Group
Natalie Wilkins (virtual) Greater Lynchburg Transit Company

1. Welcome & Call to Order

Paul Harvey, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. All members and guests introduced themselves.

2. Connect Central Virginia 2050 – LRTP Update

Thomas Ruff updated the committee that VDOT – Central Office approved the Transportation Analysis Zone (TAZ) updates and documentation. The TPO will consider adoption at their upcoming July 16th meeting.

Based on the draft TAZs, Timmons Group conducted initial output modeling to compare the volume and capacity of the area's major routes. Ruff and Rachel Moon presented the Travel Demand Model, with potential capacity issues at Graves Mill Road, Enterprise Drive, Perrowville Road, Forest Road, Lakeside Drive, College Drive, Candler's Mountain Road, Fort Avenue, and Fifth Street. When asked, Moon confirmed that funded projects were included in the projections.

Ruff then presented the initial funding analysis, using financial projections from VDOT – Central Office. Total funding from FY2026 to FY2055 totals about \$1.4 billion. After subtracting current projects, including VDOT projects and the remaining constrained projects list, about \$873 million remains available. The current vision list totals about \$1.9 billion. The constrained list will need to meet the \$873 million cap. When asked, Ruff confirmed that Round 7 Smart Scale projects will be included in the analysis once scored.

Timmons Group plans to present a draft scoring methodology for discussion at the upcoming August meeting.

Emily Routman presented the project website and draft public survey, which Timmons Group plans to publish on July 17th. The committee offered a few clarifying points and suggested making some required answers optional.

3. Approval of Minutes: June 11, 2026

MOTION: Josh Moore moved to approve the June 11, 2026, minutes as presented. Erik Smedley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Matters from the Committee

a. State and Federal Partner Program Updates

Kelli Rowan reported that SMART SCALE gated documents are due July 15th, with final applications due in August. VDOT – Lynchburg District plans to start STARS studies in the next few months, and Pipeline studies at the end of the year.

b. Other

Josh Moore, GLTC, reported that the Timberlake survey will close on July 17th. He also noted initial conversations with Flix about adding a FlixBus stop. That would be the second Greyhound/FlixBus stop in the area.

5. Adjourn

Paul Harvey entertained a motion to adjourn.

MOTION: Josh Moore moved to adjourn the meeting. Erik Smedley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.