

Central Virginia Transportation Technical Committee

828 Main Street, 12th Floor

November 14, 2013 at 10:30 a.m.

MINUTES

URBAN MEMBERS

PRESENT

Christopher Arabia.....Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation
Lee Beaumont.....Liberty University
Jeremy Bryant.....Amherst County
Dennis Dorsey for Karen Walton.....Greater Lynchburg Transit Company
Paul Harvey.....Campbell County
Kevin Leamy.....Bedford County
Rick Youngblood.....VDOT-Lynchburg District

ABSENT

Doyle Allen.....Bedford County Citizen Representative
Mark Courtney.....Lynchburg Regional Airport
Don DeBerry.....City of Lynchburg
Michael Gray.....VDOT-Salem District
Jack HobbsTown of Amherst
Tom Martin.....City of Lynchburg
Richard Metz.....Campbell County Citizen's Representative

RURAL MEMBERS

PRESENT

Christopher Arabia.....Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation
Jeremy Bryant.....Amherst County
Paul Harvey.....Campbell County
Kevin Leamy.....Bedford County
Johnnie Roark.....Appomattox County
Rick Youngblood.....VDOT-Lynchburg District

ABSENT

Richard Metz.....Campbell County Citizens Representative
Doyle Allen.....Bedford County Citizen Representative
Michael Gray.....VDOT-Salem District
Roaxanne Paulette.....Town of Appomattox
Russell Thurston.....Town of Brookneal
Bart Warner.....Bedford City
Dan Witt.....Town of Altavista

OTHERS PRESENT

David Cook.....VDOT-Lynchburg District
Philipp Gabathuler.....Local Government Council
Matt Perkins.....Local Government Council
Bob White.....Local Government Council

Minutes

1. Call to Order

Chairman Paul Harvey called the meeting to order at 10:30 am

2. Approval of the September 12, 2013 Meeting Minutes

Upon the motion of Johnnie Roark, seconded by Jeremy Bryant, the meeting minutes from September 12, 2013 were approved and carried without objection.

3. Central Virginia Long Range Transportation Plan Year 2040 Update

- a. Bob White informed the Committee that preparations were being made to begin work in February for the CVLRTP. Those preparations include securing the consultant, finalize the scope of work, and updating the Traffic Analysis Zone report. Bob further updated the Committee that the scope of work that was provided in the agenda packet has been approved by VDOT. Bob elaborated on the emphasis of the update, beyond the mandates from the FHWA, including the incorporation of the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS), continuing to move forward the relationship between land use planning and transportation investment decisions, and insuring that the multimodal perspective was added into the update effort. Bob also mentioned that with the new transportation bill at the federal level that the heightened importance on performance measures and development of those measures will be an important part of the update. Additionally, there will be an emphasis on the prioritization of projects in the region and how they are moved forward. And finally, the update will include recognition of the role that Liberty University is playing as a growth generator within the region.

- b. Philipp Gabathuler and David Cook updated the Committee on the TAZ update process. Philipp mentioned that all the localities, and Liberty University, within the MPO had been consulted and have had an opportunity to review the data that was used in populating the TAZ and offer comments and recommendations. Philipp presented the sources and references that were used in identifying areas of growth and the projections of population in those areas to extend to 2040. Also, they used future land use maps from the localities to identify proposed development areas and what noted the type. Philipp also presented information

on the other factors used in the TAZ update such as employment and automobile data. In conclusion, Philipp identified the time table for completion and notified the Committee that the localities would be receiving a draft for review and comment by November 27 and then presented for approval at the December 12, 2013 meeting.

4. Rural Corridor and Intersection Studies

Deferred to meeting scheduled December 12, 2013.

5. Alternative Transportation Planning Activities Update

Deferred to meeting scheduled December 12, 2013.

6. Presentation: Amherst County Planning and Development Update

Jeremy Bryant presented to the Committee the planning and development activities of Amherst County. Jeremy elaborated on the comprehensive plan yet focused the presentation on some of the key components and driving forces to planning and development. He presented the County's zoning map and future land use map and further explained existing growth boundaries and trends in growth patterns in relationship to planning and development policies. Further, Jeremy mentioned that a focus of the County's planning activities and discussions are in the preservation of the agricultural areas and communities. In conclusion, Jeremy mentioned Virginia's Midland Trail and the push to extend Rt. 60 as a designated scenic and historical corridor, which would impact Amherst County and also presented some information regarding the impact of the Rt. 29 bypass.

7. Matters from the Committee

Rick Youngblood made mention of the fall transportation meeting at the Kirkley on November 21 and also of the STARS 2 application to look at safety improvements and noted VDOT has received a grant to study the Lynchburg Expressway from Main Street to the Wards Ferry Road connectors.

8. Adjournment

A motion was made by Johnnie Roark to adjourn, seconded by Rick Youngblood, and without objection Chairman Harvey adjourned the meeting at 11:29 a.m.

Signed: _____

Paul E. Harvey, Chair

