

# Central Virginia Transportation Technical Committee

828 Main Street, 12th Floor, November 10, 2016 at 10:30 a.m.

## MINUTES

### URBAN MEMBERS

#### **PRESENT**

Lee Beaumont..... Liberty University  
Nick Britton (by phone) ..... Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation  
Jeremy Bryant.....Amherst County  
Paul Harvey.....Campbell County  
Richard Metz.....Campbell County Citizen Representative  
Rick Youngblood .....VDOT-Lynchburg District  
Gregg Zody.....Bedford County

#### **ABSENT**

Doyle Allen.....Bedford County Citizen Representative  
Josh Baker ..... Greater Lynchburg Transit Company  
Mark Courtney.....Lynchburg Regional Airport  
Jack Hobbs .....Town of Amherst  
Tom Martin.....City of Lynchburg  
Cheng Yan.....Federal Highway Administration

### RURAL MEMBERS

#### **PRESENT**

Nick Britton (by phone) ..... Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation  
Jeremy Bryant.....Amherst County  
Paul Harvey.....Campbell County  
Richard Metz.....Campbell County Citizen Representative  
Johnnie Roark.....Appomattox County  
Rick Youngblood .....VDOT-Lynchburg District  
Gregg Zody.....Bedford County

#### **ABSENT**

Doyle Allen.....Bedford County Citizen Representative  
Roxanne Casto.....Town of Appomattox  
Russell Thurston.....Town of Brookneal  
Bart Warner.....Town of Bedford  
Dan Witt.....Town of Altavista  
Cheng Yan.....Federal Highway Administration

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Susan Cook.....Region 2000  
Maggie Cossman.....City of Lynchburg  
Mariel Fowler..... Bedford County  
Philipp Gabathuler.....Region 2000  
Austin Mitchell..... Amherst County  
Scott Smith.....Region 2000

**1. Call to Order**

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

**2. Approval of Minutes: October 13, 2016**

Upon a motion by Richard Metz to approve the minutes of October 13, 2016 as presented, duly seconded by Rick Youngblood, this motion passed unanimously.

**3. Update: Lynchburg Regional Connectivity Study**

Rick Youngblood explained that the Lynchburg Regional Connectivity Study has been a yearlong process tying in local businesses and multi-modal partners, to determine the economic impact of multi-modal infrastructure decisions in the Lynchburg area. He stated that the champion for this project has been CTB member Shannon Valentine, and that the final document will be completed on November 15.

**4. Staff Report**

Scott Smith welcomed Philipp Gabathuler back, and reported that he had returned on November 1<sup>st</sup>.

**5. Transportation Planning in Amherst County**

Jeremy Bryant began his presentation on transportation planning in Amherst County by sharing some unknown facts about Amherst County:

- Amherst has 663 miles of roads maintained by VDOT.
- VDOT maintains rural walking bridges across mountain streams.
- The comprehensive plan contains many transportation initiatives with a long list of priorities.

Mr. Bryant also reported on the impact of the 29 bypass.

He also reported that Amherst applied for three HB2 grants last year:

- 1) Sidewalks in Madison Heights
- 2) Woodys Lake Road Improvements
- 3) Sidewalk in Amherst from Rt. 60 at the traffic circle to the Food Lion Shopping Center (HSIP)

This year, the county applied for two projects funded by SmartScale (formerly HB2):

- 1) Intersection improvements at U.S. 29 and Virginia Route 130
- 2) Median replacement along U.S. 29 Business (Lynchburg Expressway)

**6. 2017 Regional Congestion Survey**

Philipp Gabathuler reviewed the timeline for the 2017 Regional Congestion Survey:

- 1) December 1, 2016 – Draft Survey Review
- 2) February 16, 2017 - Survey Window Opens
- 3) March/April 2017 – Tabulate Responses
- 4) May 2017 – Briefing Report

**7. Rural Long Range Plan**

Philipp Gabathuler reported that over the next three months meetings will be conducted with the individual counties to get input on suggested projects.

**8. Matters from the Committee**

Upon a motion by Richard Metts to adjourn, duly seconded by Gregg Zody, Paul Harvey adjourned the meeting. The next meeting of the Transportation Technical Committee will be on November 10, 2016.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Paul E. Harvey, *Chair*

Date: \_\_\_\_\_