

# Central Virginia Transportation Technical Committee

828 Main Street, 12th Floor, September 10, 2020 at 10:30 a.m.

Electronic Meeting: GoToMeeting

## MINUTES

### PRESENT

Brian Booth (U)..... Greater Lynchburg Transit Company  
Todd Carroll (U)..... Liberty University  
Catherine Gamble (U/R) ..... Amherst County Citizen Representative  
Paul Harvey (U/R)..... Campbell County  
Andrew LaGala (U)..... Lynchburg Regional Airport  
Lee Newland (U)..... City of Lynchburg  
Anne Nygaard (U) ..... City of Lynchburg  
Sharon Williams (R)..... Town of Altavista  
Rick Youngblood (U/R)..... Virginia Department of Transportation  
Mary Zirkle (R) ..... Town of Bedford

### ABSENT

Jeremy Bryant (U/R) ..... Amherst County  
Sara Carter (U)..... Town of Amherst  
Mariel Fowler (U/R) ..... Bedford County  
Kevin Jones (U/R)..... Federal Highway Administration  
J. Lee Newland (U) ..... City of Lynchburg  
Johnnie Roark (R) ..... Appomattox County  
Gary Shanaberger (R)..... Town of Appomattox  
Daniel Sonenklar (U/R)..... Virginia Dept. of Rail and Public Transportation  
Russell Thurston (R) ..... Town of Brookneal

U- Members representing the urbanized area of the region

R- Members representing the rural area of the region

### OTHERS PRESENT

Gary Christie ..... CVPDC  
Will Cockrell ..... EPR  
David Cook ..... Virginia Department of Transportation  
Mallory Cook ..... CVPDC  
Philipp Gabathuler ..... CVPDC  
Kelly Hitchcock..... CVPDC  
Ada Hunsberger..... CVPDC  
Carol Moneymaker..... Virginia Department of Transportation  
Scott Smith ..... CVPDC  
Bill Wuensch ..... EPR  
Phil White ..... EPR

**1. Call to Order**

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

**2. Roll Call**

Mallory Cook performed a roll call of the members and other participants present for the meeting.

**3. Welcome New Staff Member: CVPDC Regional Planner Ada Hunsberger**

Ada Hunsberger was introduced to the members of the Transportation Technical Committee.

**4. Approval of the August 13, 2020 Meeting Minutes**

A motion was made by Sharon Williams, seconded by Mary Zirkle, to approve the August 13, 2020 minutes, and it was unanimously approved.

**5. Draft Department of Conservation & Recreation Middle James River Plan**

Kelly Hitchcock, with CVPDC, introduced the Middle James River Segment Plan that includes approximately 125 miles of the James River. The plan looks at enhancing the recreational and access experience along the segment. The draft plan is available to view and receive comments on through November 24, 2020.

Kelly Hitchcock also reported that Amherst County applied for and was awarded a grant from the National Park Service that may support the Middle James River Segment Plan as well.

**6. Update on VTrans Needs Prioritization**

Chris Wichman, with OIPI, provided a presentation on the development of VTrans midterm needs. The purpose of the midterm needs is to screen Smart Scale applications, prioritize VDOT revenue sharing applications, and form the basis of the VTrans Multimodal Project Study Pipeline.

Currently with prioritization, the CTB's direction is to develop a concept for a project development pipeline to ensure that local and regional planning agencies can benefit from it. The pipeline would be used for recommendations of studies to help develop projects and solutions to inform the funding programs.

**7. Presentation/Discussion on Draft Connect Central Virginia 2045 Plan**

Will Cockrell with EPR provided the most recent update on the Long Range Transportation Plan draft as it is currently published on the Connect Central Virginia 2045 website. The TPO Policy Board identified a few additional revisions that were added in the most recent

version. Additional comments were received prior to this meeting, and those revisions are currently being addressed so that they will be ready for the TPO meeting next week.

Anne Nygaard mentioned that she had submitted additional comments for edits to the current plan, and Scott Smith explained that staff are currently working through those comments to see what can be addressed. Both Anne Nygaard and Lee Newland expressed they would like to see the changes to the Plan based on these comments before voting to recommend the Plan to the Policy Board.

A motion was made by Mary Zirkle, seconded by Jeremy Bryant, to adopt the plan and recommend to the Policy Board.

The vote was:

Brian Booth – Yes  
Todd Carroll – Yes  
Catherine Gamble – Yes  
Paul Harvey – Yes  
Andrew LaGala – Yes  
Lee Newland – No  
Anne Nygaard – No  
Sharon Williams – Yes  
Rick Youngblood – Yes  
Mary Zirkle – Yes

The motion carries.

#### **8. Presentation on Upcoming Web-Based Connect Central 2045 Dashboard**

Scott Smith introduced the MySidewalk dashboard that will be used in conjunction with the Long Range Transportation Plan. The dashboard will tentatively launch by the end of September.

#### **9. Matters from the Committee**

David Cook asked about TTC review before launch of the MySidewalk dashboard, and Scott Smith confirmed that the draft would be distributed out to TTC members for review.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:18 a.m.

The next meeting will be on October 8, 2020 at 10:30 a.m.