



COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

Commonwealth Transportation Board

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MINUTES MEETING OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD WORKSHOP MEETING

October 20, 2020

9:00 am

Governor Ralph Northam declared a state of emergency in Virginia on Thursday, March 12 in response to COVID-19. In light of this action, the Workshop Meeting of the October 20, 2020 Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) was conducted using electronic communications in accord with Item 4-0.01.g. of Chapter 1289 (2020 Acts of Assembly), as the COVID-19 emergency makes it impracticable or unsafe to assemble in a single location. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss or transact the business statutorily required or necessary to continue operation of the CTB and the discharge of its lawful purposes, duties, and responsibilities.

All board members participated remotely using a Webex platform. Members of the public were able to witness the meeting online via live-streaming at the following internet link: http://www.ctb.virginia.gov/public_meetings/live_stream/default.asp and were provided the opportunity to provide public comment telephonically at the outset of the meeting using a dial in number provided in the online meeting public notice.

The online internet public notice for the meeting noted that this meeting would be conducted using an electronic process due to the COVID-19 state of emergency and as a precaution to reduce the risk and spread of the novel coronavirus. The online meeting public notice also furnished the Agenda and Board materials as well as information regarding the availability of online live-streaming of the meeting at the noted link.

Online viewers were furnished a telephone number to call to notify staff of any interruption of the live streaming of the meeting in accordance with Item 4-0.01.g. of Chapter 1289 and Section 2.2-3708.2 of the Code of Virginia; and no interruption of the live streaming was noted during the meeting.

The Chair, Shannon Valentine, presided and called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. on October 20, 2020.

Present: Messrs. Brown, Dodson, Johnsen, Kasprowicz, Malbon, Miller, Rucker, Smoot, Whitworth, Williams, Yates and, Ms. DeTuncq, Ms. Hynes; Mr. Brich, ex officio, Commissioner of Highways and Ms. Mitchell, ex officio, Director of the Department of Rail and Public Transportation.

Absent: Mr. Stinson

Prior to taking up any agenda items Mr. Whitworth made the following motion:
In light of the continuing state of emergency declared by Governor Northam, where it is impracticable or unsafe to assemble a quorum in a single location, I move that we adopt this agenda to take action to discuss or transact the business statutorily required or necessary to continue operation of the Commonwealth Transportation Board. This motion was seconded by Mr. Rucker, a roll call vote was taken with all present voting aye, the motion passed unanimously.

1. Freight Advisory Committee
*Cathy McGhee, Virginia Research Council
Barbara Nelson, Virginia Port Authority
Referenced by attachment of presentation.*
2. I-495 Transit and TDM Study Update
*Jennifer DeBruhl, Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation
Referenced by attachment of presentation.*
3. Cost Estimation and Bidding Study
*Bart Thrasher, Virginia Department of Transportation
Robert Fleiger, Ernst and Young
Referenced by attachment of presentation.*
4. Periodic Regulatory Review
*Joanne Maxwell, Virginia Department of Transportation
Referenced by attachment of presentation.*
5. I-66 Commuter Choice
*Jennifer DeBruhl, Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation
Ben Owen, Northern Virginia Transportation Commission
Referenced by attachment of presentation.*

Mr. Whitworth will make the following motion:
"I move that the Board convene in a Closed Session pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 (A)(6) of the Code of Virginia, for the purpose of discussing a project involving the investment of public funds where bargaining is involved and where the financial interest of the Commonwealth would be adversely affected if the discussion were made public at this time, additionally, I move that staff and attorneys attend the Closed Session because their presence is deemed necessary, and will aid the Board in its consideration of this matter." This motion was seconded by Mr. Rucker, followed by a roll call vote with all presenting voting aye, the motion passed. The Workshop Session suspended at 12:20 p.m. on October 20, 2020 and went into Closed Session with a note that the suspended October 20, 2020 Workshop session would reconvene at approximately 1:15 p.m. on October 20, 2020.

The Chair reconvened the Workshop meeting at 1:30 p.m. on October 20, 2020. Upon reconvening the meeting the Vice Chair read the following statement *"We are now going to take a roll call vote, and I ask that each member indicate their agreement with the following: To the best of my knowledge, during the Closed Meeting, the only matters heard, discussed or*

considered were those matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act, and only those public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the Closed Meeting was convened"

The roll was called with each member agreeing with the statement.

6. Rail Industrial Access Applicant Eastern Engineered Wood Products
Jeremy Latimer, Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation
Referenced by attachment of presentation.
7. Hampton Roads Express Lanes Network
Chris Hall, Virginia Department of Transportation
Referenced by attachment of presentation.
8. COVID Update - Financial Plan and Six-Year Improvement Program
Laura Farmer, Virginia Department of Transportation
Kimberly Pryor, Virginia Department of Transportation
Referenced by attachment of presentation.
9. Financial Plan and Six-Year Improvement Program
Steve Pittard, Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation
Referenced by attachment of presentation.
10. 64/664 Study
Ben Mannell, Virginia Department of Transportation
Referenced by attachment of presentation.
This presentation was moved up on the agenda and occurred after the first presentation.
11. Director's Items
Jennifer Mitchell, Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation
12. Commissioner's Items
Stephen Brich, Virginia Department of Transportation
13. Secretary's Items
Shannon Valentine, Secretary of Transportation

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 2:43 p.m. on October 20, 2020

Respectfully Submitted:

Carol Mathis,
Assistant Secretary to the Board

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