

UPPER COASTAL PLAIN RURAL PLANNING ORGANIZATION

January 13, 2010

RPO Transportation Advisory Committee Minutes

Attendance

TAC

A.P. Coleman, City of Wilson
Al Wester, Red Oak
Tommy Rodger, Town of Nashville
Thomas Cherry, Edgecombe Co.
Jim Alford, Town of Tarboro
Vines Cobb, Jr., Town of Pinetops
Priscilla Everette-Oates, Town of Princeville
David Grady, Town of Kenly

Doug Oglesby, Town of Benson
Russell Beyer, Town of Sims

NCDOT

Julie Bolinger

Other

Bryant Bunn, City of Wilson

UCPRPO

Daniel N. Van Liere

1. Welcome and Introductions

A.P. Coleman, called the meeting to order at 3:05 PM

2. Nominations for New Vice Chair

Mayor Cobb (Pinetops) nominated Commissioner T.C. Cherry (Edgecombe County), nomination was seconded by Councilman Rodgers (Nashville). Motion to close nominations and approve Commissioner T.C. Cherry (Edgecombe County) as Vice Chair was made by Councilman Alford (Tarboro), seconded by Councilman Rodgers (Nashville) and unanimously approved.

3. Approval of Minutes

UPON A MOTION by Councilman Rodgers (Nashville), second by Commissioner T.C. Cherry (Edgecombe County), the minutes from the UCP RPO TAC meeting held on July 8, 2009 were unanimously approved.

4. Edgecombe County CTP

Julie Bolinger presented the Edgecombe County and the Town of Whitakers Comprehensive Transportation Plans. She explained that plan had been presented to the public, to Edgecombe County as well as the Town of Whitakers and adopted. She asked that both the Edgecombe County and the Town of Whitakers plans be endorsed by the Upper Coastal Plain RPO.

UPON A MOTION by Commissioner T.C. Cherry (Edgecombe County), second by Councilman Alford (Tarboro), the Edgecombe County and Town of Whitakers Comprehensive Transportation Plan, was unanimously approved.

5. UCPRPO Human Service Transit Plan

Mr. Van Liere stated that he had sent the UCPRPO Locally Coordinated Human Service Public Transportation Plan out via email in the previous week, asking that the TAC members take a moment to review the document for adoption at this meeting.

UPON A MOTION by Mayor Cobb (Pinetops), second by Councilman Alford (Tarboro), the UCPRPO Locally Coordinated Transit Plan was unanimously approved.

6. Project Request Form

Mr. Van Liere presented a project request form that had been developed by NCODT Division 4 and the UCPRPO to be dispersed and made available to all the RPO's municipalities to request smaller projects outside of the TIP.

UPON A MOTION by Councilman Rodgers (Nashville), second by Councilman Alford (Tarboro), the Project Request Form and Letter was unanimously approved to be sent out to the UCPRPO municipalities.

7. Special Study

Mr. Van Liere gave a brief background on the special study, reminding the TAC that the RPO has hired a part time position to work on the special study. Mr. Van Liere then explained the project how this project began as a way to look at interchanges and find out what was needed to improve those interchanges for economic development. Mr. Van Liere stated that the project was continuing to evolve as the RPO dove further into the project. The RPO met with all four counties and with their economic development groups trying to better understand what data and information will be beneficial for these groups. Mr. Van Liere then gave a presentation displaying the website that the RPO had developed and how the site could be used. He informed the TAC that the site would be up and running within the next few weeks.

8. Certificate of Appreciation to Commissioner Braswell

Councilman Colman (City of Wilson) explained that with commissioner Braswell departure from the TAC he would like to present a certificate of appreciation for all of the work and dedication that he had put towards the RPO and transportation planning around the region. Mr. Van Liere passed around a certificate that the UCPRPO had developed and informed the TAC that he would try and set up a date that the presentation could be made.

9. UCPRPO Website

The Upper Coastal Plain RPO now has a website that is live and available for all to access. The websites address is www.ucprpo.org It was requested that the TAC members to take time and visit the website and provide comments for improving the website.

10. New TAC Chari/Vice Chair for Next Fiscal Year

Councilman Coleman asked for members to starting thinking about new officers and for a election subcommittee to be created at the next TAC meeting in March

11. Other Business

Mr. Van Liere explained that this point in the agenda is where members can bring up any issues that have not been addressed in the agenda.

Reports

12. Johnston County CTP

The Johnston Co. CTP has been moving along with resolutions of participation being adopted by all municipalities minus Pine Level and Princeton. The survey was completed and results were going to made at the next meeting.

13. Wilson County CTP

The Wilson County CTP is moving nearly parallel to the Johnston Co. CTP. The Wilson County survey has gathered more than 500 responses to their CTP survey, more than any other in the State. The results will be available at future meetings.

14. Nash County CTP

A Kick-Off meeting will be held on Monday Nov. 9th.

15. Division 4/ Transportation Planning Branch

No member Present

16. Upcoming Meetings

Next meeting will be held on March 10, 2010.

Respectfully submitted,

Troy Lewis, TCC Chair

Daniel Van Liere, UCPRPO Transportation Planner