

UPPER COASTAL PLAIN RURAL PLANNING ORGANIZATION

July 10, 2018

RPO Transportation Coordinating Committee Minutes

Attendance

TCC

Julie Maybee, Selma
Mark Helmer, Smithfield
Berry Gray, Johnston
Jae Kim, Spring Hope
Tim Robbins, Benson
James Diggs, Wilson
Bill Bass, City of Wilson
Catherine Grimm, Tarboro
Cynthia Jones, Edgecombe
Tracey Shearin, Red Oak

UCPRPO

James Salmons

NCDOT

Jimmy Eatmon, NCDOT-Division 4
Carlos Moya, NCDOT TPD
Bobby Liverman, NCDOT Division 4
Craig Midgett, NCDOT
Kristin Barnes, NCDOT Division 4

Other

Bob League, Rocky Mount MPO
Neal Davis, JCATS
Robert Hiatt, UCPCOG
Jordon Reedy, Rocky Mounty MPO
Stuart Bass, UCPCOG

Introduction

- Welcome & Introductions – Bill Bass – TCC Chair*
Mr. Bill Bass welcomed everyone and asked everyone to introduce themselves and then called the meeting to order.
- Approval of Agenda*
Mr. Bill Bass asked if everyone had an opportunity to review the agenda and asked if anyone had any additions to be made to the agenda. Being none and **UPON A MOTION** by James Diggs (Wilson), second by Julie Maybee (Selma) the agenda was unanimously approved as written.
- Minutes – March 6, 2018*
After reviewing the Minutes for the March 6, 2018 TCC meeting and **UPON A MOTION** by Tracey Shearin (Red Oak), second by Catherine Grimm (Tarboro) the minutes were unanimously approved.

Presentation

- Strategic Transportation Corridor Master Plan (STC) – Kerry Morrow, NCDOT*
The presentation was canceled.

Decision Items

- Resolution of support for Enhanced Lighting at US 64 and Old Carriage Rd*
Members were provided with the proposed Resolution of Support for Enhanced Lighting at US 64 and Old Carriage Rd. Following a brief discussion and **UPON A MOTION** by Tracey Shearin (Red Oak), second by James Diggs (Wilson), the Resolution of Support for Enhanced Lighting at US 64 and Old Carriage Rd was unanimously approved.
- Resolution of Support for Smithfield 2018 BUILD Grant*
Members were provided with the proposed Resolution of Support for the Smithfield 2018 BUILD Grant. Following a brief discussion and **UPON A MOTION** by Julie Maybee (Selma), second by Catherine Grimm (Tarboro), the Resolution of Support for the Smithfield 2018 BUILD Grant was unanimously approved.
- Resolution of support for East Coast Greenway 2018 BUILD Grant*
Members were provided with the proposed Resolution of Support for the East Coast Greenway 2018 BUILD Planning Grant. Following a brief discussion and **UPON A MOTION** by James Diggs

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(Wilson), second by Tracey Shearin (Red Oak), the Resolution of Support for the East Coast Greenway 2018 BUILD Planning Grant was unanimously approved.

8. Letter of support for JCATS 2018 BUILD Grant

Members were provided with the proposed Letter of Support for the JCATS 2018 BUILD Grant. Mr. Neal Davis expressed the need for a new JCATS facility which would include both administration and maintenance facilities. Following a brief discussion and **UPON A MOTION** by Julie Maybee (Selma), second by Catherine Grimm (Tarboro), the Letter of Support for the JCATS 2018 BUILD Grant was unanimously approved.

9. STI P5 Regional Final Point Allocation Adoption

Members were provided with the computed local data scores for P5 Regional projects and staff's recommendation for the UCRPO P5 Regional points allocation. It was explained that project H111279 Alt US 70 had been omitted from the TAC ranking in error. Due to its high data score, it was recommended to apply 100 points to project H111279 by taking 100 points from the lower data scoring project H090224-B. In addition, members were informed the Fayetteville MPO offered to provide 15 points to be applied to the rail project R171628 Passenger Rail Service from Wilmington to Raleigh via Selma. Following a brief discussion and **UPON A MOTION** by Catherine Grimm (Tarboro), second by Tracey Shearin (Red Oak), the STI P5 Regional Final Points Allocation recommended by staff was unanimously approved to be submitted to the TAC for their approval.

Reports

10. US 70 Commission

Mr. Salmons encouraged anyone interested in the US 70 corridor in Johnston County should review the feasibility study and provide any comments they may have by July 20, 2018.

([http://www.ucprpo.org/Documents/feasibility/FS-1604A US 70 Feasibility Study FINAL DRAFT May 2018.pdf](http://www.ucprpo.org/Documents/feasibility/FS-1604A_US_70_Feasibility_Study_FINAL_DRAFT_May_2018.pdf)). It was explained that the project(s) would still need to go through NEPA and public review.

11. Hwy 17/64 Association – Next meeting April 18, 2018

Mr. Salmons stated that at the last Hwy 17/64 Association meeting was held in Williamston. There was an excellent presentation on the impact agriculture has on eastern North Carolina as well as the importance of moving freight throughout eastern North Carolina. The next meeting is scheduled for August. In addition, members were encouraged to attend the Coastal NC Transportation Forum in Greenville, NC on July 24, 2018.

12. Legislative Update

Mr. Salmons reported BUILD NC has been signed into law.

13. NCDOT Division 4

Mr. Jimmy Eatmon (Division 4) reported that the deadline to input regional points for STI is July 27, 2018. The next step will be to review projects for divisional points allocation in September-October.

14. NCDOT Planning Division (TPD)

Mr. Carlos Moya stated that there was nothing to report.

Public Comment

15. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Other Business

16. TCC Member Comments

There was no public comment.

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Upcoming meeting:

The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for September 4, 2018.

UPON A MOTION from James Diggs (Wilson) was made to adjourn and a second motion was made by Tracey Shearin (Red Oak) and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Bass, TCC Chair

James M. Salmons, UCPRPO