

UPPER COASTAL PLAIN RURAL PLANNING ORGANIZATION

April 21, 2016

RPO Transportation Advisory Committee Minutes

Attendance

TAC

Ron McCormick, Saratoga
Cheryl Oliver, Selma
Brent Wooten, Pinetops
Derrick Creech, City of Wilson
Logan Liles, City of Wilson
Lu Harvey Lewis, Middlesex
Perry Harris, Smithfield

NCDOT

Jimmy Eatmon, NCDOT
Tobline Thigpen, TPB
Brenda Jefferson, TPB

UCPRPO

James Salmons

Introduction

- Welcome & Introductions – Cheryl Oliver – TAC Chair*
TAC Chair Mrs. Cheryl Oliver (Selma) called the meeting to order. Mrs. Oliver welcomed and thanked everyone for attending the meeting. She then introduced and welcomed Mr. Perry Harris as a new member from Smithfield.
- Mrs. Oliver asked everyone to review the agenda and requested a motion for approval. **UPON A MOTION** by Logan Liles (City of Wilson), second by Brent Wooten (Pinetops) the agenda was approved. Mrs. Oliver then asked if any members have a conflict of interest on any of the items on the agenda. Mr. Perry Harris (Smithfield) stated that he might have a conflict with STI project H-090417 US 301/NC 96 in Smithfield. It was noted that there were no action items on the agenda in reference to this project.
- Minutes – January 27, 2016*
After reviewing the Minutes for the January 27, 2016 meeting and **UPON A MOTION** by Logan Liles (City of Wilson), second by Brent Wooten (Pinetops) they were unanimously approved.

Action Items

- Adoption\Approval of 2016-2017 Planning Work Program (PWP) and 5-Year Planning Calendar*
Mr. Salmons briefly described the tasks included in the FY1617 PWP that was provided to all members. He reported that the NCDOT Transportation Planning Branch and the TCC had approved both the FY1617 PWP and 5-Year Work Calendar. After a brief discussion and **UPON A MOTION** to adopt the proposed PWP and 5-Year Planning Calendar FY1617 by Logan Liles (City of Wilson), second by Perry Harris (Smithfield), it was unanimously approved. Mr. Salmons stated that if any members needed any additional services during the year to let him know and that the PWP may be amended to accommodate the additional need.

Old Business

- Reminder to TAC of State Ethics Filing Requirements – Due April 15, 2016*
Mr. Salmons reported that he had received an email from Peggy Malpass with the NC Ethics Commission that stated all UCPRPO members had completed their ethics filing requirements.
- STI Project Prioritization – Select priority projects – Review Schedule*
Members were provided with the STI P4.0 Statewide and Regional project prioritization work sheet. Mr. Salmons informed members that the deadline to prioritize projects was extended to end of July due to the late release of the data scores. Mr. Salmons explained that the projects highlighted in red on the project sheets were priority projects identified by TCC members. A brief overview of the UCPRPO's adopted methodology was provided. It was explained that after the scheduled TCC

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meeting for May 25, 2016, TAC members would receive the final prioritization work sheets to complete. After which the TAC would finalize the UCPRPO point allocation at the next scheduled TAC meeting at the end of June 2016.

New Business

7. New Chair/Vice Chair Nominations for FY1617

UPON A MOTION by Logan Liles (City of Wilson), second by Brent Wooten (Pinetops) there was a nomination for Cheryl Oliver (Selma) for Chair of the TAC. By a unanimous vote Cheryl Oliver (Selma) was elected to Chair of the TAC. **UPON A MOTION** by Logan Liles (City of Wilson), second by Brent Wooten (Pinetops) there was a nomination for Kenneth Jones (Wilson's Mills) for Vice Chair of the TAC. By a unanimous vote Nancy Nixon (Nash) was elected to Vice Chair.

Other Business

8. TAC Member Comments

There were no TAC member Comments.

Report Items

9. CAMPO Southeast Area Study

Mr. Salmons reported that the SEAS Core Team (CTT) had selected the three "Hot Spots" for additional detailed study. The locations selected were in Garner, Archer's Lodge, and Market St in Smithfield from I-95 to the double track main rail line. Initial scoping meetings have already been conducted. The next CTT meeting was scheduled for April 28, 2016.

10. US 70 Commission

Mr. Salmons reported there was a sign ceremony on the new Goldsboro bypass to celebrate the upcoming designation of US 70 to Interstate standards. The future number designation is to be determined at a later date in May at the ASHTO Conference.

11. Hwy 17/64 Association

Mr. Salmons reported the Hwy 17/64 Board of Transportation held a meeting Thursday April 7, 2016. He reported that at the meeting the consultant presented their findings do date on the US 64 to Interstate Standards Feasibility Study currently under way. The Study is expected to be completed by the end of the year. The next Board of Directors meeting in Jacksonville is scheduled for April 26, 2016.

12. Legislative/STIP Update

Mr. Salmons reported that due to HB97 additional projects within the UCPRPO were added to the STIP. The projects include US 301 in Wilson and additional safety projects. The projects were included with the agenda packet. He reported that there were three proposed changes. First being the removal of tolls on all ferries, second proposal to repeal the \$500,000 cap on light rail projects in STI, and thirdly to end the "unpaved roads fund (\$12 million)" and divide \$6 million between the 14 divisions and apply the remaining \$6 million to STI.

13. NCDOT Division 4

Mr. Jimmy Eatmon reported that projects on I-95 will be in progress most of the summer throughout the UCPRPO area.

14. NCDOT Planning Branch

Ms. Tobline Thigpen reported that the Johnston County CTP document was completed and on NCDOT's website and that the Nash County CTP was in progress of adopting the update.

Public Comments

There was no public comment.

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Upcoming meeting:

The next meeting will be held on June 23, 2016.

UPON A MOTION from Mr. Brent Wooten (Pinetops) was made to adjourn with a second motion was made by Mr. Perry Harris (Smithfield) and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Oliver, TAC Chair

James M. Salmons, UCPRPO Transportation Planner