

UPPER COASTAL PLAIN RURAL PLANNING ORGANIZATION

January 13, 2015

RPO Transportation Coordinating Committee Minutes

Attendance

TCC

Berry Gray, Johnston County
Mark Johnson, Wilson
Zach Ollis, Wilson's Mills
Nancy Nixon, Nash County
Matthew Wiggs, Wilson's Mills
Bill Bass, City of Wilson
Marvin Sharpe, City of Wilson
Josh Edmondson, Tarboro

NCDOT

Suzette Morales - TPB
Terry Ellis, NCDOT
Jimmy Eatmon, NCDOT
Ronnie Keeter, NCDOT

UCPRPO

James Salmons

CAMPO

Alex Rickard

Introduction

1. Welcome & Introductions – Berry Gray – TCC Chair

TCC Chair Mr. Berry Gray welcomed everyone and asked everyone to introduce themselves to the members and then called the meeting to order.

Action Items

2. Minutes – July 23, 2014

After reviewing the Minutes for the September 9, 2014 meeting and **UPON A MOTION** by Josh Edmondson (Town of Tarboro), second by Bill Bass (City of Wilson) they were unanimously approved.

3. Municipal Statement of Adoption (Consider accepting new Municipal Members to join UCPRPO immediately as they adopt MOU through March 1, 2015)

After a brief discussion and **UPON A MOTION** to allow new municipal members immediately until March 1, 2015 as their boards adopt the Municipal Statement of Adoption by Bill Bass (City of Wilson), second by Josh Edmondson (Town of Tarboro) it was unanimously approved.

Old Business

4. New Ethics Legislation Update

Berry Gray requested that members provide their TAC members with a copy of the Q&A regarding the new Ethics legislation. Mr. Salmons reported that failing to file and file accurately could now result in both fines and criminal penalties. Filing is annually and due on April 15th of each year. It is highly recommended to electronically file.

New Business

5. Draft Release of STIP / SPOT 4.0 Schedule

Members were provided with copies of the Draft STIP for Division 4. Mr. Alex Rickard explained that projects within that do not receive funding for right of way or construction in the first five years (2021) may have to be reprioritized in SPOT 4.0. The members were provided with the new P4 schedule and Mr. Salmons reported that the scoring would be done at the two separate levels at the Region and Division levels versus scoring projects all at once. It was noted that any new projects would need to be submitted to SPOT by September 2015. Mr. Salmons reported that the SPOT 4.0 Workgroup was continuing to meet to make any criteria changes based upon public feed back and recommendations from Cambridge Systems draft published report.

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Other Business

6. *TCC Member Comments*

Mr. Mark Johnson asked if the UCPRPO had been asked to respond to the new proposed gas line. Mr. Salmons reported that there had been no request.

Report Items

7. *Southeast Raleigh Area Study Presentation - a Partnership between Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) and UCPRPO*

Mr. Salmons introduced Alex Rickard from CAMPO and gave a brief presentation on the CAMPO/UCPRPO Southeast Area Study currently being contracted to provide transportation planning for the western areas of Johnston County.

8. *CTP Updates and/or Revisions (CTP Study Priority List Submitted to NCDOT 1/9/15)*

Mr. James Salmons reported that he had delivered the annual CTP Study/Needs requests to NCDOT on January 7th and that the NC 43 Project in Dortches was included. Nash County requested the update to their County CTP. Mr. Berry Gray stated that the we are still waiting on the final document for the Johnston County CTP.

9. *ENC Update*

Mr. Salmons reported that the ENC Coalition Staff recently met in mid December and that it was anticipated that transportation funding would be the topic coming up in the next legislation and that the Staff would continue to meet to monitor any developments..

10. *Tarboro Pedestrian Plan (Public meeting scheduled for January 27, 2015)*

Mr. James Salmons reported that the UCPRPO would be holding a public meeting for the Town of Tarboro's Pedestrian plan on Tuesday, January 27, 2015 and invited anyone interested to attend. He also asked if anyone has an interest in the pedestrian facilities in Tarboro to please complete the community survey provided.

11. *NCDOT Division 4*

Mr. Jimmy Eatmon reminded everyone that there may be icy roads the next day and to be careful. Mr. James Salmons announced that the TAC meeting would be postponed until January 28, 2015 at 3:00pm to 5:00pm and requested members to let their TAC members know if possible.

12. *NCDOT Planning Branch*

There was no TBP report.

13. *Public Comment*

There was no public comment.

Upcoming meeting:

The next meeting will be held on March 3, 2015.

UPON A MOTION from Mr. Matthew Wiggins (Wilson's Mills) was made to adjourn and a second motion was made by Mr. Mark Johnson (Wilson) and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Berry Gray, TCC Chair

James M. Salmons, UCPRPO Transportation Planner