

UPPER COASTAL PLAIN RURAL PLANNING ORGANIZATION

June 23, 2016

RPO Transportation Advisory Committee Minutes

Attendance

TAC

C.B. Brown, Tarboro
Brenda Lucas, Spring Hope
Wayne Outlaw, Nash
Derrick Creech, City of Wilson
Logan Liles, City of Wilson
Lu Harvey Lewis, Middlesex
Perry Harris, Smithfield
Ted Godwin, Johnston
Cheryl Oliver, Selma

NCDOT

Jimmy Eatmon, NCDOT Division 4
Tobline Thigpen, TPB
Tim Little, NCDOT Division 4

UCPRPO

James Salmons

UCPRPO TCC

Jae Kim, Spring Hope

Other

Ron Townley, UCPCOG
Stuart Bass, UCPCOG

Introduction

1. *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 Ms. Brenda Lucas (Spring Hope) and Mr. C.B. Brown (Tarboro) as new members.

2. 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 Perry Harris (Smithfield) 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.

3. *Minutes – April 21, 2016*

After reviewing the Minutes for the April 21, 2016 meeting and **UPON A MOTION** by Logan Liles (City of Wilson), second by Perry Harris (Smithfield) they were unanimously approved.

Public Comment

4. Public Comment

Mr. Ron Townley (UCPCOG) provided members a presentation on Clean Fuel Advanced Technology Projects (CFAT). It was recommended that the presentation to the TCC.

Action Items

5. *Review and discussion of UCPRPO STI P4.0 Regional Project Points Allocation*

Members were presented with the final results of the Regional Project Scoring Sheets. Mr. Salmons explained that there was a slight change in the project sheet from the original results that were sent with the agenda packet via email. The change was made because of project H141828 NC 42 was only 8% within the UCPRPO boundary. Therefore only 8 points was proposed to be allocated to H141828 and the remaining 92 points was applied to projects H090417 US 391 and H150259 I-95/Truck Stop Rd Interchange. A brief discussion continued in reference to other top priority projects.

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6. *Adoption/Approval of UCPRPO STI P4.0 Regional Project Points Allocation*

After brief discuss and **UPON A MOTION** by Ted Godwin (Johnston), second by Logan Liles (City of Wilson) the updated UCPRPO STI P4.0 Regional Project Points Allocation was unanimously approved.

Old Business

7. *STI Project Prioritization – Review Schedule for Division Projects*

TAC members were provided with the approximate STI P4.0 schedule. The next phase of the process will be the programming of the highest scoring Regional projects. Once the regional projects that are programmed the TAC will be requested to prioritize the remaining Statewide and Regional projects that cascade down along with the Division projects. It is anticipated this process will occur in August and September, 2016.

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) continued to work on the Hot Spots and the next meeting was scheduled for July 14, 2016.

10. *US 70 Commission*

Mr. Salmons reported that the Goldsboro bypass was open and the Board of Directors met on May 26, 2016. At the meeting US 70 corridor project updates was provided. He reported that AASHTO had met and had designated the corridor the Interstate number I-42.

11. *Hwy 17/64 Association*

Mr. Salmons reported the Hwy 17/64 Board of Transportation held a meeting June 15, 2016 where the port of Virginia provided a presentation highlighting the importance of upgrading the US 64 from Raleigh to Virginia Beach to Interstate Standards. He reported that AASHTO had met and had designated the corridor the Interstate number I-87. Mr. Tim Little explained that the section already designated, as I-495 would eventually need to be re-designated as I-87.

12. *Legislative/STIP Update*

Mr. Salmons reported that NCDOT was in the process of a large restructuring and that it was anticipated 250 +- positions would be eliminated. The report was provided to TCC members in their Agenda Packet email. He stated the goal of the restructuring was to deliver projects quicker.

13. *NCDOT Division 4*

Mr. Jimmy Eatmon reported that they were holding a public comment meeting on June 29th from 5:00pm – 7:00pm at the NCDOT Division 4 office. There would also be a Metro-quest survey online to provide input.

14. *NCDOT Planning Branch*

Ms. Tobline Thigpen reported that the Nash County CTP was in progress and that we were waiting on adoptions from local municipalities.

Public Comments

There was no public comment.

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Upcoming meeting:

The next meeting will be based on the release of STI Regional Programmed Projects but is tentatively scheduled for August 24, 2016.

UPON A MOTION from Mr. Logan Liles (City of Wilson) was made to adjourn with a second motion was made by Mr. Wayne Outlaw (Nash) and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Oliver, TAC Chair

James M. Salmons, UCPRPO Transportation Planner