

**Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting**  
**Wednesday, April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2014**  
**10:30 a.m.**  
**PTRC Kernersville Office**

**MINUTES**

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**Attendance**

Ernest Lankford, Stokes County	Jim Palermo, NCDOT BOT
Paul Johnson, Surry County	Mike Pettyjohn, Division 11
Steve Yokeley, Mount Airy	Vernia Wilson, NCDOT TPB
Kevin Austin, Yadkin County	Christina Walsh, NWPRPO
Wayne Moore, Jonesville	Jesse Day, PTRC

**Welcome**

Ernest Lankford

**Action Items**

- II. TAC Minutes – February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014 Ernest Lankford  
Motion: Steve Yokeley Seconded: Paul Johnson All in Favor, None Opposed
- III. NWPRPO Prioritization Policy Ernest Lankford  
Motion: Steve Yokeley Seconded: Kevin Austin All in Favor, None Opposed
- IV. Planning Work Program FY 2014 Amendment Ernest Lankford  
Motion: Paul Johnson Seconded: Steve Yokeley All in Favor, None Opposed
- V. Planning Work Program FY 2015 Ernest Lankford  
Motion: Paul Johnson Seconded: Kevin Austin All in Favor, None Opposed
- VI. 5-Year Planning Calendar Ernest Lankford  
Motion: Paul Johnson Seconded: Kevin Austin All in Favor, None Opposed

**Discussion Items**

- VII. Prioritization Process Christina Walsh  
TAC members were given an update on the prioritization schedule from May-July 2014. Members were informed about how RPO staff will use the policy to score projects and the role of the CAC in ranking and distributing local input points. Members were asked also to nominate representatives to CACs. A map and spreadsheet of existing highway projects scores was shown by Jesse Day.
- VIII. Alternative Transportation Funding Scenarios Jesse Day  
Jesse Day, PTRC Senior Regional Planner and PTRPO Coordinator, led a discussion

about alternative transportation funding options and sought feedback for NCARPO and the NCDOT Board of Transportation subcommittee on alternative funding. Options discussed included: Continue motor fuel tax indexing; Increase registration/license fees; Eliminate Highway Fund transfers; Redirect vehicle lease fee to NCDOT; Increase Highway Use Tax; Local vehicle property tax; Auto insurance surcharge; Wholesale motor fuels tax; Interstate tolling; and VMT Fee.

Members discussed that before the State took over collection of vehicle registration fees, the registration collection rate in one county was over 90%, now it is under 60%. They also mentioned that the fee the State charges on collecting vehicle registration hurts local revenues and the County portion takes a long time to process and be returned to the County. Finally, members discussed how Counties should have the option of administering the vehicle registration fee to a) improve service; b) decrease funding lag; and c) reduce the State service fee.

### **Informational Items**

IX. Division 9 Updates

Christina Walsh

Division 9 provided a handout on current and upcoming projects in Davie and Stokes Counties.

X. Division 11 Updates

Mike Pettyjohn

Division 11 provided an update on current and upcoming projects in Surry and Yadkin Counties.

XI. Transportation Planning Branch (TPB) Update

Vernia Wilson

Due to time limitations, a brief update on the Yadkin County CTP was provided.

XII. RPO Update

Christina Walsh

Due to time limitations, a brief update on upcoming events was provided.

### **New Business**

TAC Members

No new business was presented.

### **Adjournment**

Ernest Lankford