



Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC) Meeting  
Tuesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2014  
12:00 p.m.  
Yadkinville County Commissioners Meeting Room

## MINUTES

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### Attendance

Vernia Wilson, NCDOT TPB  
Wayne Davis, NCDOT TPB  
David Sudderth, Stokes County  
Monty Stevens, Walnut Cove  
Andrew Meadwell, Davie County  
George Crater, Elkin  
Andy Goodall, Mount Airy  
Jeff Cockerham, YVEDDI

John Rhyne, NCDOT – Div 9  
Michael Poston, Yadkin County  
Kevin Edwards, YVEDDI  
Dean Ledbetter, NCDOT – Div 11  
Lisa Hughes, Yadkin County  
Kaori Fujisawa, WS MPO  
Elizabeth Jernigan, PTRC  
Jesse Day, PTRC

### Welcome and Ethics Statement

George Crater read the ethics statement. Nobody had a conflict of interest.

### Action Items

#### I. *TCC Minutes – August 12, 2014*

George Crater asked if committee members had a chance to review the minutes from the last meeting. Michael Poston made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. David Sudderth 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. The minutes were approved.

#### II. *Bylaws Update*

George Crater presented the newly revised TCC bylaws that included an update to the TCC membership and also some other minor changes. The North Carolina Department of Transportation sent a letter to the TCC chair and RPO staff indicating that voting rights for the Transportation Planning Branch Coordinator and the Piedmont Triad Regional Council Executive Director and RPO coordinator needed to be re-instated or funding would be withheld from the RPO. In addition, the good standing was revised to reflect two unexcused absences as indicating an absent seat not counted towards quorum. Some indicated that when the bylaws were revised earlier this year that something did not seem quite right to remove voting rights of existing TCC members in contrast with the Memorandum of Understanding. George Crater made a motion to adopt the revised bylaws, David Sudderth 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. The bylaws were passed unanimously.

### III. *Resolutions of Support*

#### a. Piedmont Together Resolution of Support

George Crater asked staff to highlight the Piedmont Together plan, and the vision and goals for transportation were read, a draft resolution of support was included in the agenda packet. Jeff Cockerham asked if by adopting the resolution that guidance for future 5311 or other rural transit funds would then be directed toward PART or other regional agencies. Staff indicated that neither the resolution nor the plan directed funding to specific agencies. Dean Ledbetter made a motion that at a future meeting a 15 minute presentation of the plan be presented to the TCC before considering the resolution. Jeff Cockerham 2nd that motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### b. Yadkinville Bicycle & Pedestrian Planning Grant

George Crater presented the resolution of support for the Yadkinville Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning grant application. He mentioned Christopher Ong was not at the meeting. Staff indicated that the Town had committed to providing match for the grant program if funds were authorized by the State. Andrew Meadwell made a motion to adopt the resolution as presented. Michael Poston 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. The resolution was adopted.

## **Discussion Items**

### IV. *Spot 3.0 Feedback*

Jesse Day asked for feedback to send to the SPOT 4.0 committee that is trying to improve upon the last round of prioritization. The following comments were made regarding how to do better:

- There was a way to keep poor projects from entering the system if they do not have justification (e.g. adopted plan, some base level of need)
  - Drop existing low scoring projects from the database
- Do a better job of identifying projects and what funds are available to match to projects (e.g. normalization was not effective in creating equity across different modes)
  - Access to certain federal funds in one mode should not penalize access to other pots of federal funds for another mode – if possible
- Look at changing the formula to allow rural projects to be based upon different metrics such as safety, lane widths, pave shoulder width.
  - Modernization of existing roadways is needed, especially in rural areas and there are few good ways to get these projects to score well using existing criteria.
- Look at eliminating parallel project recommendations from both scoring high and potentially getting funded. If the projects serve the same broad corridor – giving points to both projects does not serve the purpose of spending dollars in an efficient manner.
  - David Sudderth and Andrew Meadwell were identified as possible point persons on future feedback requested by the SPOT 4.0 committee as they consider the next round of prioritization.

### V. *Strategic Transportation Corridors*

Jesse Day provided an overview of the new Strategic Transportation Corridors. Although not directly link to STI, the routes may end up prioritizing funding to the newly designated routes in future prioritization. Staff plans to send comments regarding the concern about dropping US 158, US 64 West of Asheboro and NC 24-27

from the State's previous Strategic Highway Network. If there are additional comments, please send them to Kerry Morrow [kmorrow@ncdot.gov](mailto:kmorrow@ncdot.gov) by Tuesday December 2, 2014.

### **Informational Items**

VI. *Division 9 Updates*

John Rhyne passed out a handout of projects

VII. *Division 11 Updates*

Dean Ledbetter provided a verbal report. The NC 268 bridge over US 52 may be open soon, as that has caused some headaches in eastern Surry County.

VIII. *TPB Update*

Vernia Wilson mentioned that the Yadkin County municipalities have approved the Yadkin County CTP maps and recommendations chapter. The Yadkin County Board of Commissioners hearing will be on November 17, 2014 at 7pm and NWPRPO consideration on December 17, 2014.

IX. *RPO Update*


Jesse Day introduced Elizabeth Jernigan, who is helping to coordinate the NWPRPO since Christina Walsh moved on to the Town of Wilkesboro. He also mentioned the streetscape assessment program and will be working with municipal members to roll out that program over the next fiscal year. Elkin, Yadkinville and Mount Airy will be the first towns going through an assessment. Members were requested to fill out information sheets.

### **New Business**

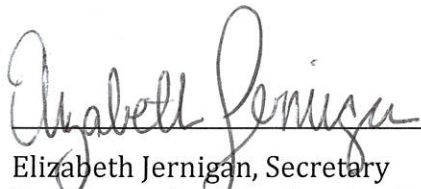
No new business

### **Adjournment**

George Crater asked for a motion to adjourn. Michael Poston made the motion and David Sudderth 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 1:20pm. Next meeting is Tuesday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 12pm in Elkin.



George Crater, Chair  
*Transportation Coordinating Committee*



Elizabeth Jernigan, Secretary  
*Transportation Coordinating Committee*