

**MINUTES
OF
MEETING OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD
WORKSHOP**

Central Office Auditorium
1221 East Broad Street
Richmond, Virginia
February 5, 2009
3:00 PM

The meeting of the Commonwealth Transportation Board was held in the Central Office Auditorium of the Virginia Department of Transportation in Richmond, Virginia on February 5, 2009. The Chairman, Pierce R. Homer, presided and called the meeting to order at 3:10 p.m.

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Present: Messrs. Bowie, Davies, Davis, Dickens, Keen, Koelemay, Martin, McCarthy, Schwartz, Sterling, White, Witt; Ms. Carter and Ms. Connally; Vice Chairman Ekern and Mr. Tucker, ex officio, Director of the Department of Rail and Public Transportation.

Absent: None

1. Draft Six Year Plan Revision
Reta Busher, Virginia Department of Transportation
Steve Pittard, Virginia Department of Rail and Transportation
Referenced by attachment of presentation.
2. Stimulus Proposal Update
Dr. Mary Lynn Tischer, Virginia Department of Transportation
Referenced by attachment of presentation.
3. Legislative Update
Nick Donohue, Assistant Secretary of Transportation
Referenced by attachment of presentation.

The Chairman suspended the meeting at 5:01 p.m. without objection to take up the action agenda, indicating that agenda item 4 would be taken up at the end of the action meeting.

The meeting was reconvened at 5:18 on February 5, 2009 to take up agenda item 4.

4. Discussion on Future Direction for the Board
Pierce Homer, Secretary of Transportation
Some Board members shared their concerns regarding the funding situation for transportation. Many shared their concerns for the network if bridges are

forced to close. Other members opined that it may be prudent to reevaluate the projects that were previously approved when the funding situation as different.

Other members indicated that the Board needed to be more vocal and aggressive in discussion with the General Assembly members and others regarding the funding needs of transportation, indicating the support of the public was necessary to influence the Legislature.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 5:53 p.m. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, February 19, 2009, beginning at 12:00 p.m. in the VDOT Central Auditorium in Richmond, Virginia, 1221 East Broad Street, Richmond, VA.

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