



COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

Commonwealth Transportation Board

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Agenda Item #2

RESOLUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD

October 17, 2019

MOTION

Made By: Mr. Malbon, Seconded By: Mr. Miller
Action: Motion Carried, Unanimously

Title: Highway Naming: “Earl M. “Buddy” Heisler Memorial Highway”

WHEREAS, James City County wishes to honor and memorialize Sergeant Earl M. “Buddy” Heisler for his exceptional service and ultimate sacrifice as a Sergeant and Deputy Sheriff for the County. Sgt. Heisler served the residents of James City County for over 6 years and was a devoted husband and father to his family and a devoted public servant to his community; and

WHEREAS, Sgt. Heisler was killed in the line of duty on September 19, 1978. He was the first and has been the only law enforcement officer killed in the line of duty in James City County. He left behind his wife Carol, his daughter Cindy, and his two sons, Earl and Billy. He and his family resided in the 4000 block of Centerville Road; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with § 33.2-213 of the *Code of Virginia*, James City County has requested, by resolution dated August 13, 2019, that the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB), to honor and memorialize the life, service and contributions of Sergeant Earl M. “Buddy” Heisler, name Route 614, Centerville Road, from its intersection with Route 5000, Monticello Avenue to the intersection of Route 613, News Road (approximately 1.3 miles) in James City County as the “Earl M. “Buddy” Heisler Memorial Highway”; and

WHEREAS, § 33.2-213 provides that the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) shall place and maintain appropriate signs indicating the names of highways, bridges, interchanges, and other transportation facilities named by the CTB and requires that the costs of producing, placing, and maintaining such signs shall be paid by the localities in which they are located or by the private entity whose name is attached to the transportation facility so named; and

WHEREAS, James City County has agreed to pay VDOT for the costs of producing, placing, and maintaining the signs calling attention to this naming.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to § 33.2-213 of the *Code of Virginia*, the CTB hereby names Route 614, Centerville Road, from its intersection with Route 5000, Monticello Avenue to the intersection of Route 613, News Road (approximately 1.3 miles) in James City County as the "Earl M. "Buddy" Heisler Memorial Highway"; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that VDOT is directed to produce, place, and maintain the signs calling attention to this naming, and secure payment from James City County for these costs as required by law.

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CTB Decision Brief

Highway Naming: “Earl M. “Buddy” Heisler Memorial Highway”

Issue: Approval of the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) is sought for the commemorative naming of Route 614, Centerville Road, from its intersection with Route 5000, Monticello Avenue to the intersection of Route 613, News Road (approximately 1.3 miles) in James City County as the “Earl M. “Buddy” Heisler Memorial Highway”, as requested by James City County.

Facts: The James City County Board of Supervisors enacted a resolution on August 13, 2019 memorializing the life, service and ultimate sacrifice of Sergeant Earl M. “Buddy” Heisler. Based on that resolution, Sergeant Heisler served the residents of James City County as a Sergeant and Deputy Sheriff for over six years. He and his family resided in the 4000 block of Centerville Road.

On September 19, 1978, Sgt. Heisler was killed in the line of duty. He was the first and has been the only law enforcement officer killed in the line of duty in James City County. He left behind his wife Carol, his daughter Cindy, and his two sons, Earl and Billy.

Recommendations: The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) recommends this request be approved.

Action Required by CTB: The *Code of Virginia*, § 33.2-213, requires a majority of the CTB members to approve a resolution naming a highway or bridge, as appropriate. A resolution will be provided for the CTB’s consideration.

Result if Approved: Route 614, Centerville Road, from its intersection with Route 5000, Monticello Avenue to the intersection of Route 613, News Road (approximately 1.3 miles) in James City County will be named the “Earl M. “Buddy” Heisler Memorial Highway”, as requested by James City County. In accordance with § 33.2-213 of the *Code of Virginia*, James City County agrees to pay the costs of producing, placing, and maintaining the signs calling attention to this naming.

Options: Approve, Deny, or Defer.

Public Comments/Reactions: VDOT is not aware of any opposition to this proposal.

RESOLUTION

HIGHWAY NAMING OF ROUTE 614, CENTERVILLE ROAD, IN JAMES CITY COUNTY,

FROM ROUTE 5000 TO ROUTE 613 NEWS ROAD

AS THE EARL M. "BUDDY" HEISLER MEMORIAL HIGHWAY

WHEREAS, Earl M. "Buddy" Heisler, served the residents of James City County exceptionally in his role as a Sergeant and Deputy Sheriff; and

WHEREAS, Sgt. Heisler was the first and only law enforcement officer killed in the line of duty in James City County on September 19, 1978; and

WHEREAS, Sgt. Heisler was married to his wife Carol, and was the father of three children, a daughter, Cindy and two sons, Earl and Billy; and

WHEREAS, Sgt. Heisler served the residents of James City County in an exceptional manner for over six years and was devoted to both his family and this community; and

WHEREAS, Sgt. Heisler and his family resided in the 4000 block of Centerville Road; and

WHEREAS, Section 33.2-213 of the *Code of Virginia* authorizes the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) to give suitable names to state highways, bridges, interchanges, and other transportation facilities and change the names of any highways, bridges, interchanges, or other transportation facilities forming a part of the systems of state highways; and

WHEREAS, Section 33.2-213 provides that the Virginia Department of Transportation shall place and maintain appropriate signs indicating the names of highways, bridges, interchanges, and other transportation facilities named by the CTB and requires that the costs of producing, placing, and maintaining such signs shall be paid by the localities in which they are located.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of James City County, Virginia, in accordance with Section 33.2-213 of the Code of Virginia, does hereby request that the CTB name the highway on Route 614, Centerville Road, in James City County, from Route 5000 to the intersection of Route 614 and Route 613 News Road, as the Earl M. "Buddy" Heisler MEMORIAL HIGHWAY.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that James City County agrees to pay the costs of producing, placing, and maintaining the signs calling attention to this naming.

James O. Icenhour, Jr.

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Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Teresa J. Fellows
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Deputy Clerk to the Board

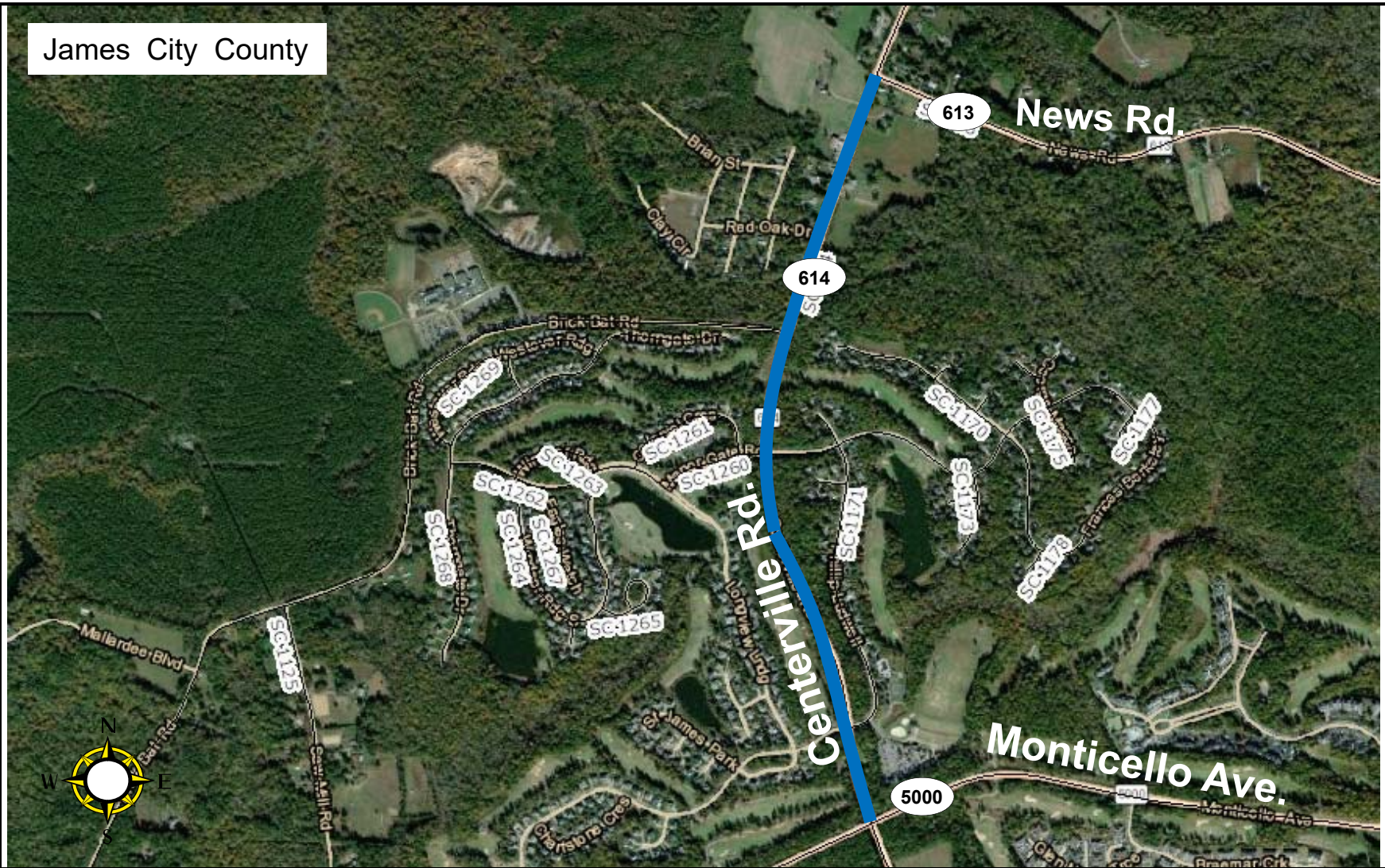
VOTES

	<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>
HIPPLE	✓	—	—
LARSON	—	Absent	—
SADLER	✓	—	—
MCGLENNON	✓	—	—
ICENHOUR	✓	—	—

Adopted by the Board of Supervisors of James City County, Virginia, this 13th day of August, 2019.

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James City County



Maintenance Division
CTB Meeting October 17, 2019

James City County

Proposed Highway Segment Naming:
“Earl M. “Buddy” Heisler Memorial Highway”

 Proposed Highway Naming