



COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

Commonwealth Transportation Board

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Agenda item # 4

RESOLUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD

June 21, 2022

MOTION

Made By: Mr. Merrill **Seconded By:** Mr. Johnsen
Action: Motion carried, unanimously

Title: Bridge Naming: “General Daniel Morgan Veterans’ Memorial Bridge”

WHEREAS, in accordance with § 33.2-213 of the *Code of Virginia*, the Warren County Board of Supervisors has requested, by resolution dated May 3, 2022, that the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB), to honor the life and service to his country of General Daniel Morgan, name the bridge on overlapping U.S. Routes 340 and 522, Winchester Road, over the north fork of the Shenandoah River, Warren County, as the “General Daniel Morgan Veterans’ Memorial Bridge”; and

WHEREAS, Warren County, by resolution dated May 3, 2022 has agreed to pay the cost of producing, placing and maintaining the signs calling attention to this naming; 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.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to § 33.2-213 of the *Code of Virginia*, the CTB hereby names the bridge on overlapping U.S. Routes 340 and 522, Winchester Road, over the north fork of the Shenandoah River, Warren County, as the “General Daniel Morgan Veterans’ Memorial Bridge”.

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

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CTB Decision Brief

Bridge Naming: “General Daniel Morgan Veterans’ Memorial Bridge”

Issue: Commemorative naming of the bridge on overlapping U.S. Routes 340 and 522, Winchester Road, over the north fork of the Shenandoah River, Warren County as the “General Daniel Morgan Veterans’ Memorial Bridge”.

Facts: Warren County enacted a resolution on May 3, 2022 to honor the life and service to his country of General Daniel Morgan.

According to that resolution, many people in Warren County joined in the fight for American independence as evidenced by the number of soldiers’ graves marked in Warren County by the Col. James Wood II Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution.

Among those joining in the fight was General Daniel Morgan of Frederick County, whose grave is in Mt. Hebron Cemetery in Winchester. During the American fight for independence, General George Washington commissioned General Daniel Morgan, hero at Cowpen, to fortify Massanutten Mountain, an area of present Warren County, where American forces and its citizens would take a stand if English forces ultimately prevailed in the northern colonies and at the Village of York Towne.

General Morgan’s war tactics that insured a major victory and turning point at the Battle of Cowpens are still taught today in our war colleges and to our fighting troops. His bravery in the face of enemy forces and his leadership brought great loyalty among his troops, insuring ultimate victory.

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

Action Required by CTB: The *Code of Virginia* 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 Board’s consideration.

Result if Approved: The bridge on overlapping U.S. Routes 340 and 522, Winchester Road, over the north fork of the Shenandoah River, Warren County will be known as the “General Daniel Morgan Veterans’ Memorial Bridge”. In accordance with law and by resolution, Warren 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



***of the Board of Supervisors of Warren County Naming the Route 340/522
Bridge over the North Fork of the Shenandoah Bridge in Warren County as the
“General Daniel Morgan Veterans’ Memorial Bridge”***

WHEREAS, the people of this county joined in the fight for American Independence, as evidenced by the numbers of soldiers’ graves marked in our soil by the Col. James Wood II Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution; and

WHEREAS, among those joining in the fight for American Independence was one General Daniel Morgan of Frederick County, whose grave is in Mt. Hebron Cemetery in Winchester; and

WHEREAS, because the American fight for Independence went on for eight years with many disappointing outcomes that looked bleak for American Forces, General George Washington did Commission General Daniel Morgan, hero at Cowpens, to fortify Massanutten Mountain, an area of present Warren County, where American Forces and its citizens would take a stand if English Forces ultimately prevailed in the northern Colonies and at the Village of York Towne; and

WHEREAS, General Daniel Morgan, a renowned soldier and General whose war tactics that insured a major victory and a turning point at the Battle of Cowpens are taught still today in our war colleges and to our fighting troops, and whose bravery in the face of enemy forces and leadership brought great loyalty among his troops, insuring ultimate victory; and

WHEREAS, Warren County strongly supports the efforts and sacrifices made by all men and women who have served in the United States Armed Forces and recognizes the unselfish dedication and determination demonstrated by these brave patriots; 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 Warren County, Virginia, in accordance with Section 33.2-213 of the Code of Virginia, does hereby request that the Commonwealth Transportation Board name the bridge on Route 340/522 over the North Fork of the Shenandoah River in Warren County as the "General Daniel Morgan Veterans' Memorial Bridge"; and

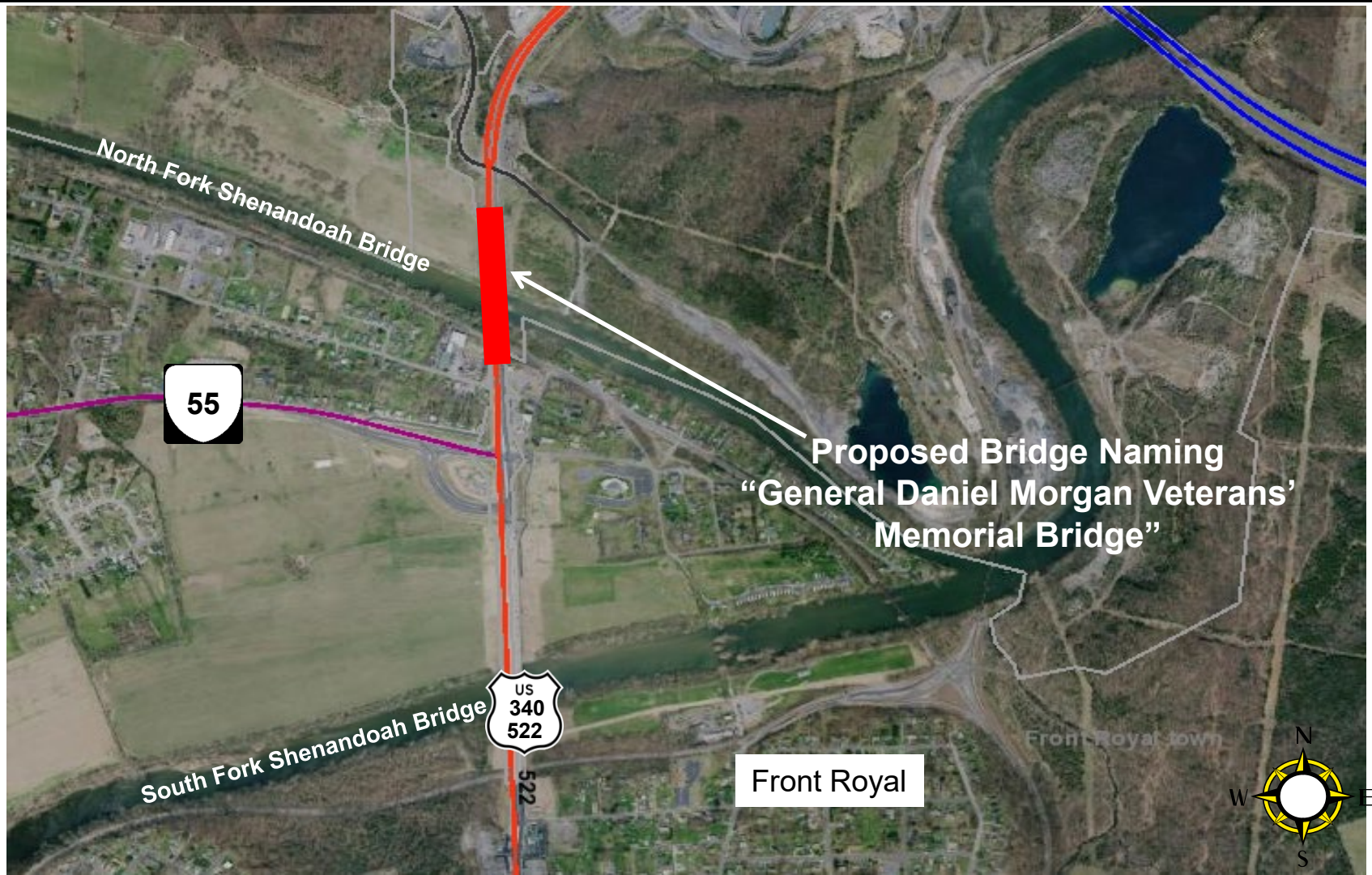
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Warren County agrees to pay the costs of producing, placing, and maintaining the signs calling attention to this naming.

Adopted: May 3, 2022

Cheryl L. Cullers
Cheryl L. Cullers, Chair
Warren County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Edwin C. Daley
Edwin C. Daley, Clerk
Warren County Board of Supervisors



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