

(Sixth)

Minutes of Special Meetings of the State Highway Commission  
Held at Norfolk and Richmond, Virginia, January 29 and 30,

1920

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The State Highway Commission, Wade H. Bassie,  
Chairman, Henry P. Beck, Secretary, and Horace Hartshorn,  
being present, met January 29th, 1920, in the private office  
of the postmaster at Norfolk, Virginia, and on motion duly  
seconded, passed the following resolution, authorizing Hugh  
W. Davis, Jr., to institute, conduct and conclude condemna-  
tion proceedings in the counties of Norfolk and Princess Anne:-

BE IT RESOLVED, That Hugh W. Davis, Jr., of Norfolk,  
Virginia, be, and he is hereby authorized and empowered to  
institute and conduct in the Circuit Court of Norfolk and  
Princess Anne Counties, Virginia, condemnation proceedings for  
the purpose of having condemned sufficient lands located on  
State Highway No. 10, running from Virginia Beach, Princess  
Anne County, Virginia, to Cumberland Gap, Virginia, for the  
construction of that portion of the said State Highway as  
passes through the lands, as shown by maps, diagrams and records,  
now on file in the office of the State Highway Commissioner in  
Richmond, Virginia, and the said Hugh W. Davis, Jr., is hereby  
appointed the agent of the said State Highway Commission for  
the purpose of instituting said proceedings and taking the  
necessary oaths required therein.

The Highway Commissioners, G. P. Coleman, and Henry P. Beck, member of the State Highway Commission, reported at this meeting that on the day previous (January 26th) they had met in a joint meeting with Mr. Frank Page, Highway Commissioner of North Carolina, and Mr. J. D. Gaskins, member of the State Highway Commission of North Carolina, at South Mills, N. C., after having made an inspection of the proposed State Highway parallel with the Dismal Swamp Canal, extending from the Village of Deep Creek, Virginia, to Pasquotank River in North Carolina. Beyond an interchange of views the meeting took no definite action with reference to the proposed highway.

On motion the Commission adjourned to conduct an inspection of State Highways in the vicinity of Norfolk.

The State Highway Commission, Wade H. Bassie, Chairman, Henry P. Beck, Secretary, E. Hardaway and V. V. Davis, being present, met in the Senate Chamber at Richmond, Virginia, January 30, 1920, for a conference with the Senate and House Committees on Roads.

After this conference the Commission assembled in the room of the Lieutenant-Governor, and the minutes of the meetings of January 14, 15, 16, and 17th were read, approved, and the Chairman authorized to sign the same.

The Commission, on motion, adjourned to meet February 10th.

(Seventh)

Minutes of Special Meetings of the State Highway  
Commission held at Richmond, February 17, 18, and 19, 1920.

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The State Highway Commission, with all members present, namely, Wade H. Bassie, Chairman, Henry P. Beck, Secretary, Horace Hardaway, F. W. Davis, and James A. Mundy, met in the office of the State Highway Commissioner, Lyric Building, at 10 A. M., February 17th, 1920, to consider numerous matters arising since the last meeting of the Commission.

At 4 P. M. all members of the Commission appeared before the Senate Committee on Roads in the Senate Chamber (the House Committee on Roads being present) in reference to the recommendations made by the State Highway Commission in their report to the Governor for certain changes in the present State Highway System. The hearing by the Senate Committee was adjourned until 4 P. M. on the 19th.

The State Highway Commission, with all members present, namely, Wade H. Bassie, Chairman, Henry P. Beck, Secretary, Horace Hardaway, F. W. Davis and James A. Mundy, met in the office of the State Highway Commissioner, Lyric Building, at 10 A. M. February 18th, and upon the request of the Commissioner adopted, unanimously, resolutions appointing the following engineers of the State Highway Department, W. Y. Cooke, Assistant Commissioner, S. L. von Genningen, Engineer of State Highways, F. H. Stanley, Engineer of State Aid, W. I. Lee, Engineer of Surveys, C. S. Pullen, District Engineer, and A. H. Pattigrow, District Engineer, to act as the Commission's agents in

selecting from the most convenient land such wood, stone, gravel, earth, or other material as may be necessary to be used in the construction, reconstruction and maintenance of any of the roads and bridges embraced in the State Highway System.

Upon the request of the Highway Commissioner, the Commission adopted unanimously the following resolution, authorizing Harry Roberts and R. J. Summers, or either of them, to institute, conduct and conclude condemnation proceedings to acquire necessary land for Route 10 of the State Highway System between Abingdon and Hog Thief Creek in Washington County;

**RESOLVED**, that in the judgment of this Commission it is necessary, requisite and suitable for the alteration, reconstruction and maintenance of a portion of State Highway No. 10 between Abingdon and Hog Thief Creek in Washington County, Virginia, to change the location of said State Highway through the lands of R. B. Kriger as shown by line "P" on the blue-print map attached hereto, and make a part hereof, the distance through said lands along said line "P" being approximately 1088.2 feet; and

**RESOLVED** further that this Commission deems it necessary, requisite, and suitable that the right of way for said highway for said distance of approximately 1088.2 feet through the lands of R. B. Kriger should be 50 feet wide, and that said line "P" should be in the center of said 50 foot right of way; and

**RESOLVED** further, that the profile showing the grade line, cuts and fills, as shown on said blue print map, be made a part hereof, and that the grade line shown thereon

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Route 10  
 Hog Thief Creek  
 R. B. Kriger  
 Right of Way  
 50 feet wide  
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be adopted and established;

RESOLVED further, that R. J. Summers, Commonwealth's Attorney for Washington County, Virginia, and Henry Roberts of Bristol, Virginia, or either of them, be appointed attorneys for this Commission, and directed to secure said right of way from R. R. Krager by gift, purchase or condemnation proceedings,

A delegation from Monroe and Cleveland Counties appeared before the Commission with reference to the allocation of funds on Route No. 19. The Commission deferred action upon this request until an inspection of this route could be made by them.

A delegation from Alexandria City, headed by Mr. Carroll Pierce, President of the Chamber of Commerce, along with a delegation from Fairfax County, composed of a portion of the Board of Supervisors, appeared before the Commission with reference to the building of that portion of State Highway No. 6 from Alexandria City to Fairfax Court House. The Commission took no action in this matter, pending further investigation and inspection of the proposed route.

The State Highway Commission with all members present, namely, Wade H. Mason, Chairman, Harry P. Beck, Secretary, Horace Hardaway, F. W. Davis, and James A. Murdy, met in the office of the State Highway Commissioner, Lyric Building, at 10 A. M., February 19th, for a further conference with reference to various pending matters.

Senator H. F. Byrd appeared before the Commission

advocating the granting of the right to use the Winchester-Martinsburg Turnpike by the Northern Virginia Power Company.

The Commission gave careful consideration to the bids which have just been received by the Commissioner on the work near Petersburg, Norfolk, Suffolk, Acawas and Isenburg, and realized that some are in excess of the estimates and allocations as originally made, but are of the opinion that the State should go ahead with the construction of these roads, as well as future contracts, provided, however, that the prices to be paid for the same are in line with the prices paid by the States in this section for the same classes of work. It is therefore recommended that the Commissioner should proceed with the letting of State highway work.

After hearing further from various individuals the Commission adjourned to meet with the Senate Committee on Roads, sitting in conjunction with the House Committee on Roads, in the Senate Chamber, with reference to various changes recommended by the State Highway Commission in their report to the Governor.

At the conclusion of the hearing in the Senate Chamber, the Commission adjourned subject to the call of the Chairman.

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