

MINUTES
OF
MEETING OF STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Richmond, Virginia

January 20, 1977

The monthly meeting of the State Highway and Transportation Commission was held at the Central Highway Office in Richmond, Virginia, on January 20, 1977, at 10 a.m. The Chairman, Mr. John E. Harwood, presided.

Present: Messrs. Harwood, Beeton, Crowe, Fralin, Glass, Hall, Hassell, Hooper, Janney, Landes and Roos.

On motion of Mr. Hooper, seconded by Mr. Crowe, the minutes of the meeting of December 16, 1976, were approved.

On motion of Mr. Hooper, seconded by Mr. Crowe, permits issued from December 16, 1976, to January 19, 1977, inclusive, as shown by records of the Department, were approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Hooper, seconded by Mr. Crowe, that cancellation of permits from December 16, 1976, to January 19, 1977, inclusive, as shown by records of the Department, be approved. Motion carried.

Since there has been some indication that the Department's procedural steps in regard to plans for the proposed Powhite Parkway Extension in Chesterfield County may not have been adequate, motion was made by Mr. Crowe, seconded by Mr. Roos, that the Commission defer action on this until the March meeting. Motion carried.

The Chairman informed the Commission of the report of the Norfolk-Virginia Beach Expressway Study Commission to the 1977 General Assembly. He requested the Commission's Toll Road Committee to review the recommendations outlined in the report and to let the Commission know of its findings at its next meeting. Motion was made by Mr. Roos, seconded by Mr. Beeton, that the Commissioner be authorized to enter into an agreement with the consulting engineers to investigate the feasibility of a commuter rate on this facility if such a study has not been made. If such a study has been made, the Commissioner is authorized to have this study updated. Motion carried.

On motion of Mr. Roos, seconded by Mr. Hassell, the Commission approved the 1977 Final Maintenance and Operating Budget for the Elizabeth River Tunnels, as attached.

VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION
ELIZABETH RIVER TUNNELS

FINAL BUDGET

FEBRUARY 1, 1977 - JANUARY 31, 1978

BUDGET RECAPITULATION

REVENUE FUND	1977 Budget	
	<u>MONTHLY</u>	<u>ANNUAL</u>
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION	\$ 46,156	\$ 553,872
ROAD WAY AND STRUCTURES	59,318	711,816
TUNNELS AND VENTILATION BUILDINGS	60,771	729,252
BRIDGES	9,187	110,244
TOLL COLLECTION AND EQUIPMENT	42,542	510,504
BUS OPERATION	<u>13,934</u>	<u>160,008</u>
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>\$231,308</u>	<u>\$2,775,696</u>
RESERVE MAINTENANCE DEPOSITS	<u>\$ 62,500</u>	<u>\$ 750,000</u>

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Moved by Mr. Hooper, seconded by Mr. Crowe,
that the Commission confirm letter ballot action on bids received
December 15, 1976, on the following projects:

Front and Spencer Streets, Project U000-102-102, C-502, B-601

0.059 Mi. N. Int. Cumberland Street - Int. Moore Street (Route 11), City
of Bristol. Award of contract to low bidder, Richard E. Phillippi, Inc.,
Wytheville, Virginia.

Bid	\$1,239,762.55
10% for engineering and additional work	123,976.25
Work by State Forces	4,950.00
Railroad	29,920.00
Flagging	2,750.00
Amount chargeable to project	1,401,358.00

Route 15, Project 0015-014-104, C-504

5.566 Mi. S. Buckingham-Fluvanna CL - 2.852 Mi. S. Buckingham-Fluvanna
CL, Buckingham County. Award of contract to low bidder, Marvin V.
Templeton and Sons, Inc., Lynchburg, Virginia.

Bid	\$688,702.80
10% for engineering and additional work	68,870.28
Work by State Forces	11,537.00
Amount chargeable to project	769,110.00

\$769,110.00 to be provided for in future Primary Construction Allocations.

Route 23, Project 6023-097-114, G-302

3.943 Mi. W. Int. Kentucky Avenue (Norton) - 0.381 Mi. W. Int. Kentucky
Avenue (Norton), Wise County. Award of contract to low bidder, A. B.
Burton Company, Inc., Lynchburg, Virginia.

	<u>Construction</u>	<u>Right of Way</u>
Bid	\$3,878,876.22	\$21,095.00
10% for engineering and additional work	387,887.62	2,109.50
Amount chargeable to project	4,289,968.00	

\$30,512.00 to be provided for in future Primary Construction Allocations.

Route 29, Project 0029-005-116, C-501

4.98 Mi. S. Int. 60 - 4.42 Mi. S. Int. 60, Amherst County. Award of
contract to low bidder, Wilkins Construction Company, Inc., Amherst,
Virginia.

Bid	\$223,545.09
10% for engineering and additional work	22,354.50
Work by State Forces	12,226.00
Amount chargeable to project	258,125.00

\$191,125.00 to be provided for in future Primary Construction Allocations.

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Route 30, Project 0030-050-109, N-501

NCL West Point - 2.043 Mi. N. NCL West Point, King William County. Award of contract to low bidder, Mega Contractors, Inc., Richmond, Virginia.

Bid	\$142,206.50
10% for engineering and additional work	14,220.65
Amount chargeable to project	156,427.00

\$12,136.00 to be provided for in future Primary Construction Allocations.

Route 37, Project 6037-034-101, P-401

0.344 Mi. N. Int. 81 - 0.133 Mi. N. Int. 50, Frederick County. Award of contract to low bidder, Lee Hy Paving Corporation, Richmond, Virginia.

Bid	\$1,661,563.70
10% for engineering and additional work	166,156.37
Work by State Forces	6,600.00
Amount chargeable to project	1,834,320.00

\$1,834,320.00 to be provided for in future Primary Construction Allocations.

Route 58, Project 0058-017-103, C-501, B-604

0.356 Mi. E. Int. NBL 77 - 0.377 Mi. W. WCL Hillsville, Carroll County. Award of contract to low bidder, Thompson-Arthur Paving Company, Danville, Virginia.

Bid	\$868,543.37
10% for engineering and additional work	86,854.33
Work by State Forces	8,690.00
Amount chargeable to project	964,087.00

\$75,380.00 to be provided for in future Primary Construction Allocations.

Route 64, Project 0064-003-104, B-645, B-646, B-647, B-648, B-649, B-650

Bridges over Routes 639, 42 and 635, Alleghany County. Award of contract to low bidder, Robertson Construction Company, Inc., Salem, Virginia.

Bid	\$ 981,153.50
10% for engineering and additional work	98,115.35
Work by State Forces	26,180.00
Amount chargeable to project	1,105,448.00

\$1,105,448.00 to be provided for in future Interstate Construction Allocations

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Route 66, Project 0066-030-101, C-501, B-607, B-608, B-610

3.074 Mi. W. Int. 17 (near Marshall) - 0.404 Mi. W. Int. 17 (near Marshall), Fauquier County. Award of contract to low bidder, Moore Brothers Company, Inc., Verona, Virginia.

Bid	\$4,223,709.84
10% for engineering and additional work	422,370.98
Work by State Forces	8,598.00
Amount chargeable to project	4,654,678.00

Route 77, Project 0077-010-701, M-400

Correction of Slide - 0.13 Mi. W. Int. 61, Bland County. Award of contract to low bidder, Branch and Associates, Inc., Roanoke, Virginia.

Bid	\$ 87,400.00
10% for engineering and additional work	8,740.00
Work by State Forces	7,150.00
Amount chargeable to project	103,290.00

\$103,290.00 to be provided for in future Interstate Construction Allocations.

Route 77, Project 0077-017-102, L-801

Drilled Well - N. of North Carolina Line, Carroll County. Award of contract to low bidder, Newman Brothers, Inc., Elkin, North Carolina.

Bid	\$5,700.00
10% for engineering and additional work	570.00
Amount chargeable to project	6,270.00

\$6,270.00 to be provided for in future Interstate Construction Allocations.

Route 85, Project 0085-058-2002

Bridge Repairs - SBL Route 85 over Roanoke River, Mecklenburg County. Award of contract to low bidder, Wilson Construction Company, Inc., Salisbury, North Carolina.

Bid	\$248,070.00
10% for engineering and additional work	24,807.00
Amount chargeable to project	272,877.00

To be financed from Richmond District Interstate Maintenance Replacement Funds.

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Route 301, Projects 6301-016-110, C-501, B-612; 6301-048-107, C-501
CONTRACT 2

Bridge Superstructure and Approaches at Rappahannock River, Caroline and King George Counties. Award of contract to low bidder, G and C Construction Corporation, Merrifield, Virginia, and Angel S. Roubin, Fairfax, Virginia.

Bid	\$2,974,462.40
10% for engineering and additional work	297,446.24
Amount chargeable to project	3,271,908.00

\$365,537.00 to be provided for in future Primary Construction Allocations.

Route 604, Project 0604-099-113, C-501

0.222 Mi. S. Int. 602 - 0.096 Mi. W. Int. 646, York County. Award of contract to low bidder, Jack L. Massie Contractor, Inc., Williamsburg, Virginia.

Bid	\$209,997.70
10% for engineering and additional work	20,999.77
Utilities	21,901.00
Amount chargeable to project	252,898.00

\$49,000.00 to be provided for in future Secondary Construction Allocations.

Route 606, Projects 0606-003-120, C-501; 0606-105-120, C-502, B-619

0.225 Mi. E. WCL Clifton Forge - 0.229 Mi. W. Int. 699, Alleghany County and City of Clifton Forge. Award of contract to low bidder, F. Clayton Plecker and Sons, Millboro, Virginia.

Bid	\$442,131.16
10% for engineering and additional work	44,213.11
Work by State Forces	11,714.00
Utilities	16,659.99
Amount chargeable to project	514,718.00

\$146,000.00 to be provided for in future Secondary Construction Allocations.

Route 613, Project 0613-086-147, C-501

Washington-Smyth CL - 1.358 Mi. E. of Washington-Smyth CL, Smyth County. Award of contract to low bidder, State Contracting and Stone Company, Division of Medusa Aggregates Company, Salem, Virginia.

Bid	\$272,317.80
10% for engineering and additional work	27,231.78
Utilities	27,046.39
Amount chargeable to project	326,595.00

\$109,000.00 to be provided for in future Secondary Construction Allocations.

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Route 626, Projects 0626-020-151, C-501, B-644; C-502

0.151 Mi. W. Int. 634 - 0.851 Mi. W. Int. 634, Chesterfield County. Award of contract to low bidder, D. W. Lyle Corporation, McKenney, Virginia.

Bid	\$199,872.55
10% for engineering and additional work	19,987.25
Work by State Forces	440.00
Utilities	11,321.90
Amount chargeable to project	231,621.00

Route 629, Projects 0629-074-135, C-501; 0629-123-135, C-502

1.816 Mi. W. Int. Route 460 - Int. Route 460, City of Petersburg and Prince George County. Award of contract to low bidder, Burton P. Short and Son, Inc., Petersburg, Virginia.

Bid	\$371,907.45
10% for engineering and additional work	37,190.74
Work by State Forces	6,600.00
Utilities	38,666.00
Railroad	84,425.00
Flagging	550.00
Amount chargeable to project	539,339.00
Accts. Rec. City of Petersburg - \$35,507.76	
\$131,000.00 to be provided for in future Secondary Construction Allocations.	

Project GR-3-77

Guardrail Replacement - Various Locations (Routes 58, 501, 6 and 29), Halifax, Nelson and Amherst Counties. Award of contract to low bidder, Makco, Inc., Charlottesville, Virginia.

Bid	\$41,417.91
10% for engineering and additional work	4,141.79
Amount chargeable to project	45,559.00
To be financed from Lynchburg District Primary Construction Fund.	

Project P-1-77

Cleaning and Painting Bridge Structural Steel - Various Locations, Louisa, Albemarle, Orange, Culpeper and Fairfax Counties. Award of contract to low bidder, Bonded Painting Contractors, Inc., Cleveland, Ohio.

Bid	\$100,500.00
10% for engineering and additional work	10,050.00
Amount chargeable to project	110,550.00
To be financed from 1977-78 Culpeper Primary and Interstate Maintenance Replacement Fund.	

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Project US-2-76

Undersealing Portland Cement Concrete Pavement - Richmond-Petersburg Turnpike - Int. 54 (Route 95), Hanover and Henrico Counties. Award of contract to low bidder, Whitehurst Paving Company, Inc., Richmond, Virginia.

Bid	\$14,900.00
10% for engineering and additional work	1,490.00
Amount chargeable to project	16,390.00

To be financed from Richmond District Interstate Maintenance Replacement Fund.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Mr. Hooper, seconded by Mr. Crowe, that the Commission confirm letter ballot action rejecting bids received December 15, 1976, and authorize readvertisement of the following projects:

Route 11, Project 0011-115-101, C-501, B-601

0.020 Mi. S. SCL Harrisonburg - 0.037 Mi. S. Int. Monument Avenue, City of Harrisonburg. Low bid - 15.6% over estimate.

Route 11, Project 0011-132-102, C-501, B-601, B-602

0.07 Mi. S. Int. 11 and 250 - SCL Staunton, City of Staunton. Low bid - 44.5% over estimate.

Routes 54, 226 and 249, Projects 0054-042-703, M-600; 704, M-600; 0226-026-701, M-600; 0249-063-701, M-600

Bridge Widening and Approaches at Four Locations, Hanover, Dinwiddie and New Kent Counties. Low bid - 22.6% over estimate.

Route 77, Project 0077-010-102, L-801

Drilled Well - NBL - 7 Mi. N. of Bland (Routes 21 and 52) and SBL - 10 Mi. N. of Bland (Routes 21 and 52), Bland County. Low bid - 44.3% over estimate.

Route 528, Project 0628-061-179, M-501

Int. 125 - 0.116 Mi. W. Int. 17, City of Suffolk. Low bid - 65.2% over estimate.

Route 1202, Project 1202-036-110, C-501

0.002 Mi. E. Int. 1208 - 0.020 Mi. E. Int. 1210, Gloucester County. Low bid - 19.8% over estimate.

MOTION CARRIED

1/20/77

Moved by Mr. Roos, seconded by Mr. Janney,
that

WHEREAS, in accordance with the statutes of the Commonwealth of Virginia and policies of the Highway and Transportation Commission, a location and design public hearing was held in the Forest Glen High School, Suffolk, Virginia, on October 20, 1976, at 7:30 p.m., for the purpose of considering the proposed improvement of Route 738 (Kenyon Road) from the intersection of Route 58 to the intersection of Route 644, in the City of Suffolk, Virginia, State Project 0738-061-19B, C-501; and

WHEREAS, proper notice was given in advance and all those present were given a full opportunity to express their opinions and recommendations for or against the proposed project as presented, and their statements being duly recorded; and

WHEREAS, the economic, social and environmental effects of the proposed project have been examined and given proper consideration, and this evidence, along with all other, has been carefully reviewed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the location and major design features of this project be approved in accordance with the plan as proposed and presented at the said location and design public hearing by the Department's engineers, amended to reduce the length of the right turn lane on Route 58 by 100 feet and to reduce the turning radius at Route 711 to 15 feet.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Mr. Hooper, seconded by Mr. Crowe,
that

WHEREAS, under authority of Section 33.1-43 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, request is made by the City of Staunton for maintenance payments on additional streets meeting required standards;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that quarterly payments be made to the City of Staunton on additional streets, totaling 4.19 miles, and meeting required standards under the aforementioned section of the Code, effective January 1, 1977, for the quarterly payments due after March 31, 1977. The additional streets and mileage eligible for payments are described on attached tabulation sheets numbered 1 and 2, dated January 1, 1977.

These "Other Streets" additions, totaling 4.19 miles, increase the total "Other Streets" mileage in the City of Staunton from 72.31 miles to 76.50 miles of approved streets subject to payment.

MOTION CARRIED

ADDITIONS TO OTHER STREET MILEAGES
CITIES AND TOWNS WITH POPULATIONS IN EXCESS OF 3,500
SECTION 33.1-43 OF THE CODE OF VIRGINIA, 1972 AMENDMENT

January 1, 1977

MUNICIPALITY Staunton

TOTAL ADDITIONAL MILEAGE REQUESTED 10.04 Lane Miles

SUBMITTED BY THE CITY OR TOWN (Date 11/24/76) CHECKED BY DEPT. OF HIGHWAYS ENGINEER (Date 11-26-76)

NAME OF STREET	FROM (if widths vary list each change)	TO	R/W WIDTH	HARD SURFACE WIDTH	LENGTH MILES	PARKING PROHIBITED RT. (Yes or No)	TYPE OF BASE	TYPE OF SURFACE	Number of Lanes available for peak hour Traffic
Ann St.	140' N. Hudson	Hudson	50	30	0.20	No	Aggr. Base	Plant Mix	2 (0.40 LM)
Blue Ridge	590' E. Beverley	Commerce	50	30	0.32	No	"	"	2 (0.64 LM)
S. Braeburn PL	Blue Ridge	Cul de Sac.	50	30	0.17	No	"	"	2 (0.34 LM)
N. Braeburn PL	Blue Ridge	Cul de Sac.	50	30	0.15	No	"	"	2 (0.30 LM)
David St.	Fisher	180' S. Geoffrey	50	30	0.21	No	"	"	2 (0.42 LM)
Fisher Cir.	162' W. Phillip	165' Hilltop West	60	40	0.34	No	"	"	2 (0.68 LM)
Hilltop Dr	Geoffrey	S.W. Paul	50	30	0.20	No	"	"	2 (0.40 LM)
Hilltop Dr	S.W. Paul	N.E. Paul	50	30	0.45	No	"	"	2 (0.90 LM)
Inner Loop	Greenville	Richmond	110	52	0.88	Yes	Bitum Conc.	Plant Mix	4 (3.32 LM)
Lammermoor Dr.	N. Blue Ridge	S. Blue Ridge	50	30	0.36	No	Aggr. Base	Plant Mix	2 (0.72 LM)
Oxford Cir	Fox Hill	Cul de Sac	50	30	0.10	No	"	"	2 (0.20 LM)
Paul St.	Hilltop	737' N.E. Hilltop	50	30	0.14	No	"	"	2 (0.28 LM)
Pine Glen	Pinehurst	Cul de Sac.	50	30	0.15	No	"	"	2 (0.30 LM)

SIGNED R. M. Moore, Jr. 11-26-76
Dept. of Highways' Engineer

1/20/77

Moved by Mr. Hooper, seconded by Mr. Crowe,
that

WHEREAS, under authority of Section 33.1-43 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, request is made by the City of Winchester for maintenance payments on additional streets meeting required standards;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that quarterly payments be made to the City of Winchester on additional streets, totaling 1.25 miles, and meeting required standards under the aforementioned section of the Code, effective January 1, 1977, for the quarterly payments due after March 31, 1977. The additional streets and mileage eligible for payment are described as follows:

Old Fort Road	- From 100' North of Caroline Street North to End	0.24 Mile
Marion Street	- From 100' North of Caroline Street to Old Fort Road	0.19 Mile
Caroline Street	- From End of existing street North to End	0.06 Mile
Massanutten Terrace	- From Valley Avenue to Middle Road	0.27 Mile
Packer Street	- From North of York Avenue to South of York Avenue	0.18 Mile
Tower Avenue	- From Cedar Creek Grade South to End	0.15 Mile
Crisman Avenue	- From Hillman Avenue to Tower Avenue	0.06 Mile
Opequon Avenue	- From End of existing street North to End	0.06 Mile
Opequon Place	- From Opequon Avenue West to End	0.04 Mile

These "Other Streets" additions, totaling 1.25 miles, increase the total "Other Streets" mileage in the City of Winchester from 60.88 miles to 62.13 miles of approved streets subject to payment.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Roos,
that

WHEREAS, Route 460 in Buchanan County has been altered and reconstructed as shown on plans for Project 0460-013-101, C-508; and

WHEREAS, one section of the old road is no longer necessary as a public road, the new road serving the same citizens as the old;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 33.1-148 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, 0.21 mile of old Route 460, shown in blue and designated as Section 1 on the plat dated January 12, 1971, Project 0460-013-101, C-508, be abandoned as a part of the State Highway System.

MOTION CARRIED

1/20/77

Moved by Mr. Beeton, seconded by Mr. Hall,
that

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of Section 128 of Title 23 - Highways, United States Code, and FHPM 7-7-5, a location and design public hearing was held in the Osbourn Park School Auditorium, 8909 Euclid Avenue, Manassas, Virginia, on November 10, 1976, at 7:30 p.m., for the purpose of considering the proposed dual laning of Route 28 from 0.648 mile north of the North Corporate Limits of Manassas to 0.234 mile north of the Prince William-Fairfax County Line in Prince William and Fairfax Counties, State Projects 0028-076-105, C-502, C-503; 0028-029-106, C-501; Federal Project BR-RS-853(16); RS-853(18); and

WHEREAS, proper notice was given in advance and all those present were given a full opportunity to express their opinions and recommendations for or against the proposed projects as presented, and their statements being duly recorded; and

WHEREAS, the economic, social and environmental effects of the proposed projects have been examined and given proper consideration, and this evidence, along with all other, has been carefully reviewed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the location and major design features of these projects be approved in accordance with the plan as proposed and presented at the said location and design public hearing by the Department's engineers.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Mr. Hooper, seconded by Mr. Crowe,
that

WHEREAS, under authority of Section 33.1-43 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, request is made by the City of Manassas Park for maintenance payments on an additional street meeting required standards;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that quarterly payments be made to the City of Manassas Park on an additional street, length 0.95 mile, and meeting required standards under the aforementioned section of the Code, effective January 1, 1977, for the quarterly payments due after March 31, 1977. The additional street mileage eligible for payment is described as follows:

Blooms Road - From Euclid Avenue to Southeast City Limit 0.95 Mile

This "Other Streets" addition of 0.95 mile increases the total "Other Streets" mileage in the City of Manassas Park from 9.76 miles to 10.71 miles of approved streets subject to payment.

MOTION CARRIED

1/20/77

Moved by Mr. Beeton, seconded by Mr. Jannay,
that

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of Section 128 of Title 23 - Highways, United States Code, and FHPM 7-7-5, a location and design public hearing was held in the Woodbridge Middle School located on York Drive (Route 1299) in Prince William County on September 1, 1976, at 7:30 p.m., for the purpose of considering the proposed Bus Ramps at Horner Road (Route 639) and the Fringe Parking Area, in Prince William County, State Project 0095-076-107, C-501; Federal Project I-95-2(122)163; and

WHEREAS, proper notice was given in advance and all those present were given a full opportunity to express their opinions and recommendations for or against the proposed project as presented, and their statements being duly recorded; and

WHEREAS, the economic, social and environmental effects of the proposed project have been examined and given proper consideration, and this evidence, along with all other, has been carefully reviewed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the location and major design features of this project be approved in accordance with the plan as proposed and presented at the said location and design public hearing by the Department's engineers.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Mr. Hooper, seconded by Mr. Crowe,
that

WHEREAS, under authority of Section 33.1-43 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, request is made by the Town of Abingdon for maintenance payments on an additional street meeting required standards;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that quarterly payments be made to the Town of Abingdon on an additional street, length 0.44 mile, and meeting required standards under the aforementioned section of the Code, effective January 1, 1977, for the quarterly payments due after March 31, 1977. The additional street mileage eligible for payment is described as follows:

Brookhill Drive - From Whites Mill Road with loop to Brookhill Drive 0.44 Mile

This addition of 0.44 mile increases the total mileage in the Town of Abingdon from 19.80 miles to 20.24 miles of approved streets subject to payment.

MOTION CARRIED

1/20/77

Moved by Mr. Roos, seconded by Mr. Hooper,
that

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of Section 128 of Title 23 - Highways, United States Code, and FHPM 7-7-5, a location and design public hearing was held in the C. Vernon Spratley Junior High School, Woodland Road, Hampton, Virginia, on October 14, 1976, at 7:30 p.m., for the purpose of considering the proposed extension of Andrews Boulevard from Mercury Boulevard to Woodland Road in the City of Hampton, State Project U000-114-103, C-501; Federal Project M-5122(7); and

WHEREAS, proper notice was given in advance and all those present were given a full opportunity to express their opinions and recommendations for or against the proposed project as presented, and their statements being duly recorded; and

WHEREAS, the economic, social and environmental effects of the proposed project have been examined and given proper consideration, and this evidence, along with all other, has been carefully reviewed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the location and major design features of this project be approved in accordance with the plan as proposed and presented at the said location and design public hearing by the Department's engineers.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Mr. Hooper, seconded by Mr. Crowe,
that

WHEREAS, under authority of Section 33.1-43 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, request is made by the Town of Blackstone for maintenance payments on an additional street meeting required standards;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that quarterly payments be made to the Town of Blackstone on an additional street, length 0.13 mile, and meeting required standards under the aforementioned section of the Code, effective January 1, 1977, for the quarterly payments due after March 31, 1977. The additional street mileage eligible for payment is described as follows:

Blackstone Access Road - From West Corporate Limits to North Main 0.13 Mile
(Route 606) Street

This addition of 0.13 mile increases the total mileage in the Town of Blackstone from 24.60 miles to 24.73 miles of approved streets subject to payment.

MOTION CARRIED

1/20/77

Moved by Mr. Hooper, seconded by Mr. Crowe,
that

WHEREAS, under authority of Section 33.1-43 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, request is made by the Town of Blacksburg for maintenance payments on additional streets meeting required standards;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that quarterly payments be made to the Town of Blacksburg on additional streets, totaling 0.61 mile, and meeting required standards under the aforementioned section of the Code, effective October 1, 1976, for the quarterly payments due after December 31, 1976. The additional streets and mileage eligible for payments are described as follows:

Cranwell Circle	- From Grissom Lane East to Dead End	0.14 Mile
Hillcrest Drive	- From Existing Dead End South to Dead End	0.09 Mile
School Street	- Loop - From West Intersection to East Intersection on North side of Eheart Street	0.10 Mile
Gardenspring Drive	- From Nellie's Cave Road South to Dead End	0.28 Mile

These additions, totaling 0.61 mile, increase the total mileage in the Town of Blacksburg from 73.01 miles to 73.62 miles of approved streets subject to payment.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Mr. Hooper, seconded by Mr. Crowe,
that

WHEREAS, under authority of Section 33.1-43 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, request is made by the City of Salem for maintenance payments on additional streets meeting required standards;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that quarterly payments be made to the City of Salem on additional streets, totaling 0.25 mile, and meeting required standards under the aforementioned section of the Code, effective January 1, 1977, for the quarterly payments due after March 31, 1977. The additional streets and mileage eligible for payments are described as follows:

Ross Street	- Extension of Ross Street South	0.06 Mile
Narcissus Street	- Extension of Narcissus Street West	0.10 Mile
Deep Dell Road	- From Burma Road South to Dead End	0.09 Mile

These "Other Streets" additions, totaling 0.25 mile, increase the total "Other Streets" mileage in the City of Salem from 104.69 miles to 104.94 miles of approved streets subject to payment.

MOTION CARRIED

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 33.1-148 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, 0.10 mile of old Route 25, shown in blue and designated as Section 1 on the plat dated October 27, 1976, Project 0025-052-002, C-501, be abandoned as a part of the State Highway System.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Mr. Landes, seconded by Mr. Glass,
that

WHEREAS, under the authority of Section 33.1-62 of the Code of Virginia of 1970, as amended, the State Highway and Transportation Commission is authorized to designate Virginia Byways as recommended by the Commission of Outdoor Recreation after providing the opportunity for a public hearing; and

WHEREAS, the staffs of the Commission of Outdoor Recreation and the Department of Highways and Transportation have reviewed and determined that Route 39 in Rockbridge County between the Route 11-39 intersection north of Lexington and the Route 39-42 intersection at Goshen substantially meets the adopted criteria for Virginia Byways; and

WHEREAS, the Commission of Outdoor Recreation, at its regular meeting on December 6, 1976, recommended to the Department of Highways and Transportation the segment of Route 39, heretofore described, be designated as a Virginia Byway; and

WHEREAS, the required procedures have been followed and a public hearing was not required;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the segment of Route 39, herein described, be designated as a Virginia Byway.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Mr. Roos, seconded by Mr. Beeton,
that

WHEREAS, it has been determined by the Department of Highways and Transportation and consulting engineers that \$350,000 now on deposit in the State of Virginia 1965 Toll Project's Construction Fund is not needed for payment of any remaining part of the cost of initial construction of the Norfolk-Virginia Beach Expressway; and

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WHEREAS, according to provisions of Section 410 of the Trust Indenture, the consulting engineers have approved the transfer of \$350,000 from the Construction Fund to the Reserve Account;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the State Highway and Transportation Commission, that the Trustees be directed to make this transfer from the Construction Fund to the Reserve Account.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Mr. Fralin, seconded by Mr. Janney,
that

WHEREAS, the Commission has the discretion under Section 46.1-343 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, to issue permits for the operation or movement of vehicles of a size or weight in excess of statutory limits; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has the authority under Section 33.1-12(3) to make rules and regulations for the protection of and covering traffic on and the use of systems of State highways and to amend the same; and

WHEREAS, on January 4, 1977, at 10 a.m., pursuant to newspaper advertisement, informational proceedings as to a proposed amendment to the Hauling Permit Manual related to possible penalties for repeated violations of hauling permits issued by the Commission through the Department were conducted by Mr. Leo E. Busser III, the Commission's specially designated subordinate; and

WHEREAS, the amendment is deemed necessary due to the increased number of repeated violations by persons, firms or other entities which obtain hauling permits, but who, having obtained said permits, fail to observe the weight, height, length or other provisions of the permit incorporated into the permit for safety and convenience of the motoring public and to protect State property; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the amendment is to inform permit holders that the privilege to have permits issued by the Commission may be forfeited for varying periods of time by repeated violations of said permits over a period of time; and

WHEREAS, the amendment sets out a standard for the number of violations that result in conviction during a six-month period contrasted with the number of permits issued which will trigger Commission action, sets out the maximum period of suspension of the privilege to obtain such permits, details the procedure to be followed by the Department allowing for the opportunity for written comment from the violator, and leaves the ultimate decision to the Commission, with the right to appear in person or by counsel before the Commission or its designated committee; and

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WHEREAS, the Commission has been advised that in addition to the presentation made by Mr. P. A. Sensabaugh, Jr., Permit Engineer, in support of the amendment, Mr. Edward Grandis, Spokesman for Virginia Citizens for Better Reclamation, testified in support of the proposed amendment. Mr. Grandis made several other suggestions not directly related to the proposed amendment, but related to the purpose for which the Hauling Permit has been adopted; to wit:

1) The Department should set up a system to entice coal hauling truckers to obtain permits.

2) The Department should support legislation to increase the hauling permit fee schedule to cover costs of administering a more stringent permit system.

3) The Department should be made aware that there are certain roads in the coal mining region of the Commonwealth that are now impassable due to their use by overweight trucks.

4) The Department should investigate the practice of the legislature exempting certain groups from the administration of standard permit policy for possible unequal treatment to other groups and the detriment to the highways.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the proposed amendment to the Hauling Permit Manual allowing for further penalties for repeated violations of hauling permits be adopted effective immediately as provided for by law, namely February 20, 1977.

MOTION CARRIED

Mr. John J. Beall, Jr., Assistant Attorney General, informed the Commission of the Permit Committee's recommendations in regard to the proposed movement of 14-foot wide mobile and modular housing in Virginia. The Honorable Alan A. Diamonstein, Chairman of the Virginia Housing Study Commission, Mr. Edward A. Ragland, Executive Director of the State Office of Housing, and Mr. James W. Severt, President and Chief Executive Officer of Nationwide Homes, appeared before the Commission to endorse the approval of this type of movement. After much discussion, the following resolution was adopted:

Moved by Mr. Frahn, seconded by Mr. Janney,
that

WHEREAS, the 1976 General Assembly by House Joint Resolution No. 41 requested the Department of Highways and Transportation, together with the Housing Study Commission, the Office of Housing, the Division of Highway Safety, the Department of State Police, representatives from the manufactured

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housing industry, and the Division of Motor Vehicles to evaluate the movement of 14-foot wide mobile and modular housing units over the highways of the Commonwealth of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, such study was made and the results were reported in "An Evaluation of the Movement of 14-Foot Wide Manufactured Housing Units in Virginia," dated November 16, 1976, prepared by the Virginia Highway and Transportation Research Council; and

WHEREAS, the study did not show that the movement of 14-foot wide mobile and modular housing units would result in significantly greater inconvenience or safety hazards to the traveling public than 12-foot wide housing units on four-lane divided highways; and

WHEREAS, mobile and modular housing is an important segment of the housing needs and economy of the Commonwealth;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the applicable statutes be followed to present the Permit Committee's proposed regulations, attached, to permit the movement of 14-foot wide mobile and modular housing units over selected highways; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Commissioner shall appoint an Advisory Committee, consisting of representatives of the State agencies and industries involved in the original study, under the chairmanship of the Department's Permit Engineer, to review the conditions and experiences resulting from the movement of both 12-foot and 14-foot wide mobile and modular housing units for a period of nine months, at which time a report will be made to the Commission covering recommendations for further changes in regulations if necessary.

Before this resolution could be voted on, Mr. Hassell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Roos, that the following amendment be added to the foregoing resolution:

WHEREAS, officials of the State Department of Housing support the need for providing this type of housing within the Commonwealth and are aware of and agree with the statement submitted by the representative of the mobile and modular housing industry; and

WHEREAS, the Permit Committee of the Commission has recommended that the aforementioned proposed amendments to the Hauling Permit Manual be adopted; and

WHEREAS, the Commission is impressed with the statements that an emergency exists in the mobile and modular housing industry that would be exacerbated by any delay in the implementation of the proposed amendments to the Hauling Permit Manual which would allow the movement of 14-foot wide mobile and modular housing over selected highways under specified conditions; and

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WHEREAS, the Administrative Process Act authorizes the dispensation of public procedures, in whole or in part, with respect to regulations which apply in any situation in which the Commission finds, and by preamble states with the reasons and precise factual basis therefor, that an emergency situation exists, as long as the approval of the Governor is first secured;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that since the Highway and Transportation Commission has received the attached resolution from the Office of Housing stating that an emergency exists and that delay in implementing the proposed amendments would exacerbate existing conditions to the detriment of the citizens of the Commonwealth, in general, and the mobile and modular housing industry and those persons working directly or indirectly in that industry, in particular, the Commissioner is to seek the approval of the Governor for the Commission to implement the proposed amendments to the Hauling Permit Manual as permitted under the Administrative Process Act, said amendments to be effective for a period not exceeding nine months to allow for permanent amendments to be effected in accordance with the applicable statutes, and if the Governor approves the issuance of the proposed amendments, the proposed regulations hereinabove described and made a part hereof are hereby adopted for a period of not more than nine months from the date of that approval; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Commission will receive, consider and respond to petitions by any interested person at any time for the reconsideration or revision thereof and this is to become part of the proposed amendment, and that, in any event, a public hearing shall be scheduled, conducted, and the results reported to the Commission within nine months from the date of the Governor's approval, if same is forthcoming, and further, in the event such approval is not forthcoming, then the normal procedures of the Administrative Process Act shall be followed with dispatch so that the Commission can consider the proposed amendments to the Hauling Permit Manual as soon as possible.

MOTION CARRIED, Messrs. Crowe, Fralin and Janney voting no.

The resolution as amended was voted upon as follows:

WHEREAS, the 1976 General Assembly by House Joint Resolution No. 41 requested the Department of Highways and Transportation, together with the Housing Study Commission, the Office of Housing, the Division of Highway Safety, the Department of State Police, representatives from the manufactured housing industry and the Division of Motor Vehicles to evaluate the movement of 14-foot wide mobile and modular housing units over the highways of the Commonwealth of Virginia; and

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WHEREAS, such study was made and the results were reported in "An Evaluation of the Movement of 14-Foot Wide Manufactured Housing Units in Virginia," dated November 16, 1976, prepared by the Virginia Highway and Transportation Research Council; and

WHEREAS, the study did not show that the movement of 14-foot wide mobile and modular housing units would result in significantly greater inconvenience or safety hazards to the traveling public than 12-foot wide housing units on four-lane divided highways; and

WHEREAS, mobile and modular housing is an important segment of the housing needs and economy of the Commonwealth;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the applicable statutes be followed to present the Permit Committee's proposed regulations, attached, to permit the movement of 14-foot wide mobile and modular housing units over selected highways; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Commission shall appoint an Advisory Committee, consisting of representatives of the State agen and industries involved in the original study, under the chairmanship of the Department's Permit Engineer, to review the conditions and experiences resulting from the movement of both 12-foot and 14-foot wide mobile and modular housing units for a period of nine months, at which time a report will be made to the Commission covering recommendations for further changes in regulations if necessary; and

WHEREAS, officials of the State Department of Housing support the need for providing this type of housing within the Commonwealth and are aware of and agree with the statement submitted by the representative of the mobile and modular housing industry; and

WHEREAS, the Permit Committee of the Commission has recommended that the aforementioned proposed amendments to the Hauling Permit Manual be adopted; and

WHEREAS, the Commission is impressed with the statements that an emergency exists in the mobile and modular housing industry that would be exacerbated by any delay in the implementation of the proposed amendments to the Hauling Permit Manual which would allow the movement of 14-foot wide mobile and modular housing over selected highways under specified conditions; and

WHEREAS, the Administrative Process Act authorizes the dispensation of public procedures, in whole or in part, with respect to regulations which apply in any situation in which the Commission finds, and by preamble states with the reasons and precise factual basis therefor, that an emergency situation exists, as long as the approval of the Governor is first secured;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that since the Highway and Transportation Commission has received the attached resolution from the Office of Housing stating that delay in implementing the proposed amendments would exacerbate existing conditions to the detriment of the citizens of the Commonwealth, in general, and the mobile and modular housing industry and those persons working directly or indirectly in that industry, in particular, the Commissioner is to seek the approval of the Governor for the Commission to implement the proposed amendments to the Hauling Permit Manual as permitted under the Administrative Process Act, said amendments to be effective for a period not exceeding nine months to allow for permanent amendments to be effected in accordance with the applicable statutes, and if the Governor approves the issuance of the proposed amendments, the proposed regulations hereinabove described and made a part hereof are hereby adopted for a period of not more than nine months from the date of that approval; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Commission will receive, consider and respond to petitions by any interested person at any time for the reconsideration or revision thereof and this is to become part of the proposed amendments, and that, if any event, a public hearing shall be scheduled, conducted, and the results reported to the Commission within nine months from the date of the Governor's approval, if same is forthcoming, and further, in the event such approval is not forthcoming, then the normal procedures of the Administrative Process Act shall be followed with dispatch so that the Commission can consider the proposed amendments to the Hauling Permit Manual as soon as possible.

MOTION CARRIED, Mr. Crowe voting no.

**RESTRICTIONS FOR TRANSPORTING MOBILE AND MODULAR UNITS
HAVING A WIDTH IN EXCESS OF 12 FEET
BUT NOT GREATER THAN 14 FEET**

1. Movement will be by single trip permit with a permit fee of \$10.00. All applications for permits must be in writing and submitted to the Central office permit section.
2. Travel will be permitted upon the following highways:
 - a. All Interstate roadways
 - b. All 4-lane divided roadways
 - c. Limited movement on 2-lane primary routes having a minimum pavement width of 24 feet with 5-6 foot wide shoulders. Travel will be permitted primarily where it is necessary to connect highways in above categories a. & b.
 - d. Limited movement on 3-lane and 4-lane undivided roadways after a thorough investigation by the Department and approval granted. Generally, no travel will be allowed on 3-lane and 4-lane undivided highways.
 - e. Travel on other primary routes with less than 24 feet of pavement will be permitted after investigated and approved by the Department. Travel upon these roadways will be permitted only to provide delivery of the unit for sale at its final destination.
 - f. Travel on major secondary routes having 20-22 feet of pavement with good alignment and 3-5 foot shoulders will be permitted after investigated and approved by the Department. Travel upon these roadways will be permitted only to provide delivery of the unit for sale at its final destination.
 - g. Travel on other secondary roadways will be limited and be considered only for delivery of a sold unit to its final destination after investigated and approved by the Department.
3. No travel will be permitted upon any roadway having physical or geometrical restrictions that prohibit movement as determined by Department Engineers
4. Travel will generally be permitted between the hours of 9:00 AM until 4:00 PM on Interstate and 4-lane divided highways unless otherwise specified on the permit. Travel on all 2-lane roadways will be between 9:30 AM and 2:30 PM while schools are in session. During summer months when schools are closed, travel on 2-lane roadways will be permitted between 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM. Days of travel for interstate movement to be coordinated with adjacent states. Intrastate movement to be permitted Monday through Thursday.
5. No moves will be permitted the day before a holiday, the holiday, or the day following the holiday.
6. No travel allowed on any highway when visibility is limited by atmospheric or other conditions so as to make travel hazardous for any vehicle, or when any person or vehicle on the highway is not clearly discernible at a distance of 500 feet. No travel allowed when the surface of the highway is made hazardous by rain, sleet, snow or ice.

7. Travel on multi-lane highways will be on the right hand lane with overhang on the shoulder.
8. No pilot vehicles required on 4-lane divided highways. Front and rear pilot vehicles required on all routes other than divided highways. All pilot vehicle drivers and the wide load driver must be in constant communication at all times by two-way radios.
9. 18-inches square red flags shall be displayed on all four corners of the load.
10. All vehicle lights shall be turned on, including those of the pilot vehicles.
11. Wide load signs shall be placed on the wide load and on each pilot vehicle. Signs are to comply with Department standards.
12. Wide load movements shall not travel in convoy or closer than 2000 feet. Each wide load requires its own escort vehicles.
13. Maximum speed on divided highways will be 45 mph and a maximum speed of 35 mph will be permitted on all other routes unless specified otherwise.
14. Towing vehicles shall have a minimum of two tons manufacturer's rating with dual tires and 4-speed transmission.
15. The maximum length of the housing unit, including the coupling and towing vehicle, shall not exceed 85 feet. The minimum length of the towing vehicle shall be 15 feet.
16. The driver of the towing vehicle will inconvenience other traffic as little as possible by using every opportunity to allow following traffic to pass.
17. All necessary safety precautions shall be employed. Extreme caution is to be exercised under conditions of crossing narrow structures, overtaking vehicles or encountering pedestrians along the roadway's edge. Special safety precautions should be utilized during vehicle breakdown to immediately remove the load from the traveled portion of the highway and to remove the unit from the roadway at the earliest possible time so as not to encumber other motorists.
18. Drivers towing 14-foot wide housing units must have a minimum of 1 year experience in movement of overdimensional loads.
19. Unless otherwise specified above, additional restrictions will be as currently enforced on 12-foot wide units or as specified within permit provisions.
20. Formal training of escort vehicle drivers must be conducted and completion of a Department approved course for certified drivers within 12 months of effective date of approval of 14-foot wide units.

21. Whenever warrants exist, the Permit Engineer may impose additional restrictions on the movement of the load.

The Highway and Transportation Commission will receive, consider and respond to petitions by any interested person at any time for the reconsideration or revision of the above.



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WHEREAS, the 1976 session of the General Assembly of Virginia in House Joint Resolution 41 directed the Department of Highways and Transportation together with the Housing Study Commission, the Office of Housing, the Division of Highway Safety, the Department of State Police, representatives from the manufactured housing industry and the Division of Motor Vehicles to evaluate the movement of fourteen-foot wide mobile and modular housing units over the highways of the Commonwealth of Virginia, and

WHEREAS, this study was conducted and conclusions published which clearly indicate that fourteen-foot wide movements can be made safely over certain highways of this Commonwealth, and

WHEREAS, forty-three (43) states of the nation, including all the states bordering Virginia except North Carolina, presently permit the transportation of fourteen-foot wide units, and

WHEREAS, the manufactured housing industry in the State of Virginia is being severely affected because they can not compete with neighboring states in the manufactured housing market, and

WHEREAS, this has resulted in a number of industries reducing their production, employment, and operating hours to the point of closing one (1) to three (3) days per week, and

WHEREAS, this is affecting not only the delivery of manufactured housing but also preventing the collection of state tax revenues to the amount of not less than sixty-two thousand dollars (\$62,000) per month at present with the potential of over one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) in the immediate future, and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that regulations be processed on an emergency basis to permit fourteen-foot wide movement of modular and mobile manufactured housing units over the highways of the Commonwealth, keeping in mind the facts and conclusions of the report conducted by the Virginia Highways and Transportation Research Council.

Edward A. Ragland
Executive Director

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Moved by Mr. Glass,

seconded by Mr. Hooper,

that

WHEREAS, in connection with Route 297 (now Route 460) State Highway Project 6297-015-104, RW-201, the Commonwealth acquired certain lands, including a drainage easement, from Falwell Well Corporation by deed dated November 21, 1969 as recorded in Deed Book 444, Page 572 in the Office of the Clerk of the Corporation Court of the City of Lynchburg; and

WHEREAS, during the course of construction, the easement was shifted in a southeast direction by mutual agreement; and

WHEREAS, the owners of the underlying fee have requested that the original easement be conveyed to them in exchange for the easement actually constructed; and

WHEREAS, the State Highway and Transportation Commissioner has certified in writing that the original proposed 10x100 foot drainage easement acquired by deed recorded in Deed Book 444, Page 572 in the Office of the Clerk of the Corporation Court of the City of Lynchburg lying northeast of and adjacent to the northeast proposed right of way line of Route 460 opposite approximate Station 14+20 (centerline Service Road No. 1) does not constitute a section of the public road and is deemed by him no longer necessary for the uses of the State Highway System.

NOW, THEREFORE, in accordance with the provisions of § 33.1-149 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, the conveyance of the said drainage easement, so certified, to the owner of the underlying fee is approved and the State Highway and Transportation Commissioner is hereby authorized to execute a deed, without warranty, in exchange for a deed to the easement which was constructed.

Motion carried.

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Mr. H. T. N. Graves, Chairman of the Governor's Advisory Committee on Outdoor Advertising in Sight of Public Highways, appeared before the Commission and presented three resolutions of his committee which he requested the Commission adopt. After some discussion, the Commission adopted, on motion of Mr. Beeton, seconded by Mr. Hooper, the following resolutions:

(II) The Virginia Department of Highways and Transportation should develop a UNIFORM DIRECTIONAL SIGNING CONCEPT for off-right-of-way signs, with a maximum size of 150 square feet, permitted under existing law. This concept should be developed with special regard to the appearance and directional nature of such signing. Existing lawful 150-square-foot signs should be permitted to remain until replaced. The industries involved and other interested parties should be consulted by the Department of Highways and Transportation in developing this signing concept.

(III) The Virginia Department of Highways and Transportation shall petition the Federal Government to amend the guidelines of Subpart C, 750, Title 23, Section 2, Federal Code, to give a higher level of service to the traveler by including in the existing category of directional and official signing immediately adjacent to highways CERTAIN ESSENTIAL SERVICES IN THE SPECIFIC INTEREST OF THE MOTORING PUBLIC, subject to standardization of design, size, spacing, lighting, and message content. The departments of highways of the several states will determine essential motorist services according to criteria developed by the departments after consultation with organizations representing the private industries involved and other interested parties.

Action on Resolution I concerning motorist services signing ("logos") is to be deferred with the Commissioner being authorized to provide the best information that he can in relation to it.

MOTION CARRIED

The next meeting of the Commission will be held in Richmond on February 17, 1977, at 10 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

Approved:


Chairman

Attest:


Secretary