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On the morning of February 3, 1930, the State Highway Commission consisting of Messrs. H. G. Shirley, Commissioner, I. Walks Truxtun, H. G. Gilmer, and Wm. H. East, met at their office, State Office Building, Richmond, Virginia.

The meeting was called to order by the Commissioner.

The minutes of the meeting of the Commission held in Richmond, January 9, 1930, were read and it was moved by Mr. Gilmer, seconded by Mr. Truxtun, that they be approved. Motion carried.

Mr. T. G. Moore of Cambria and Senator Noell, appeared before the Commission in regard to the location of Route 23 through the town of Cambria. They requested the Commission to reconsider their decision and locate it as near the depot in Cambria as possible. Mr. Moore stated that he had petitions from 90% of the business men of Christiansburg, 90% of the business men of Blacksburg and 95% of the business men of Cambria asking for this change. He presented a resolution from the Town Council of Cambria agreeing to bear the excess cost of putting the overhead crossing within Cambria.

He was advised that the line requested would make a very dangerous situation, making a right angle turn on to the overhead bridge, and it was agreed that another survey be made through the Town to try and get a better line and yet bring the road within the town.

Major Collins of Newport News, appeared before the Commission in regard to the division of funds in the Suffolk District. He stated that geographically the Suffolk District was divided into three divisions, the Eastern Shore, North of the James River and South of the James River. Taking the population, wealth and area of each division, predicated on the total amount of money spent in the Suffolk District, that the division North of the James River was short \$287,000.00 and requested that this amount be given them.

Senator Buchanan, Messrs. Warren and Porterfield, came before the Commission in regard to what is known as old Route 125 in Washington County dropped out of the System by an Act of the Legislature when the road known as Route 112 was added. They stated that Route 125 had been built a number of years ago, mostly by private subscriptions, and turned over to the State Highway Commission in good condition. At the time the change was made, Mr. Warren, their representative was at home due to sickness in his family and knew nothing about it, nor did the people living along this highway until after the Legislature had adjourned, and requested that this highway be reinstated into the Highway System.

Senator Basley came before the Commission and requested them to take over for maintenance the 1.5 miles of concrete road entering South Boston from the North. He stated that the County had no other such road in that vicinity to maintain and therefore no equipment with which they could maintain this 1.5 miles, making it very expensive to keep up.

Mr. J. T. Winder, Mayor of Chincoteague, Mr. Steelman, of the Chamber of Commerce, Messrs. Baker and Thompson, came before the Commission in regard to the counter offer of the Chincoteague Toll Road and Bridge Company, that the bridge be taken over as of December 1st, 1930, instead of July 1st as offered by the Commission. These gentlemen requested that the Commission adhere to their offer of July 1st and not make them pay tolls all through the summer when the traffic was heaviest and if the company would not agree to this, to proceed with the construction of a new road and bridges.

Moved by Mr. Truxtun, seconded by Mr. Gilmer, that the counter offer of the Chincoteague Toll Road and Bridge Company, be not accepted; That it be notified through its Attorney, Mr. J. Brooks Mapp, that the Commission will delay ten days beyond the minimum number of days specified in its charter for calling a meeting of the stock holders to accept the offer made by the Commission at their meeting January 9th, 1930, and if refused the Commission will proceed with the construction of a new road and bridges. Motion carried.

Mr. Henry Roberts of Bristol, Virginia, appeared before the Commission and requested that the Commission adopt Euclid Avenue as Route 10 west of Bristol and if they did this he thought he would be able to secure the rights of way free of cost to the State.

Moved by Mr. Gilmer, seconded by Mr. East, that the State Highway Commission adopt Euclid Avenue as the location of State Highway No. 10, Bristol - West, provided rights of way are furnished free of cost to the State, and upon its completion the present route be abandoned. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Truxtun, seconded by Mr. Gilmer, that it is the sense of the Commission that they will agree to an Act of the Legislature changing Route 112 back to Route 125, with the understanding that Route 112 be abandoned by the State Highway Commission. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Shirley, seconded by Mr. Gilmer, that inasmuch as the location of Route 18 entering South Boston from the North was changed at the request of the people of the County, the Commission could not approve an act to reinstate this section of road into the State highway system. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Truxtun, seconded by Mr. Shirley, that the request of Messrs. R. R. Dye, B. M. Smith and Wm. C. Cloth, for a permit to construct a railroad siding across Route 31 about 300' south of Frasier Avenue, Arlington County, be rejected. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Gilmer, seconded by Mr. Truxtun, that the following Permits be granted under the Rules and Regulations of the Commission:

To W. L. Adams, Milton Village, Virginia, to lay 75' of 12" pipe in ditch along Route 39 and cover same for an entrance to store.

To Baywood Telephone Company, Baywood, Virginia, to construct a telephone line along Route 12 west of Galax, placing 37 poles 2" from edge of right of way.

To Braddock Light & Power Company, Washington, D.C. to string wires on existing poles on Hume Avenue, west of Military Road, Route 21 and install anchor.

To G. L. Campbell, Onancock, Virginia, to construct concrete curb and gutter in front of store, Route 522.

To A. J. Carpenter, Cochran, Virginia, to grade bank on east side of Route 31 to level of road bed and gravel and grade bank on west side to level of roadbed and sod, also to extend existing 18" concrete pipe.

To J. J. Chensult, Farmville, Virginia, to grade an entrance into filling station on Route 10, 6.2 miles from Farmville.

To Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Co, Norfolk, Virginia, to place 7 poles, 1 anchor guy on north side of Route 513.

To Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Co, Richmond, Virginia, to erect 259 poles, 21 guys and make 2 crossings of Route 17 between Craigville and North Mountain.

To Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Co. Richmond, Virginia, to erect wire crossing over Route 17, Bells Valley,

To Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Co. Richmond, Virginia, to erect one 30' pole and construct one wire crossing over Route 17 between Goshen and Millboro Springs

To Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Co. Norfolk, Virginia, to lay telephone cable in 4½" cast iron bell jointed pipe under Route 10 near Wilroy,

To Thomas W. Brady, Ashland, Virginia, to construct an entrance to filling station on Route 31,

To Loudoun Light & Power Company, Purcellville, Virginia, to cross Route 36 between Middleburg and Upperville with power line,

To W. E. McReynolds, Lebanon, Virginia, to construct an entrance into filling station on Route 131 between Lebanon and Hansonville.

To Newton Mullins, Sades, Virginia, to construct an entrance into garage on Route 121 between Pound and Clintwood,

To E. F. Newman, Lynchburg, Virginia, to install drain pipes and construct driveway to filling station on Route 14 south of Lynchburg,

To Norfolk & Western Railway Company, Roanoke, Virginia, to erect wigwag flash light signals at crossing at Coeburn, Route 122.

To Crancock Machine Works, Crancock, Virginia, to construct a concrete apron in front of sales room, gas pumps to be moved back adjacent to building.

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To Robert B. Payne, Fredericksburg, Virginia, to construct a concrete entrance to filling station in Falmouth, Route 31,

To Petersburg Telephone Company, Petersburg, Virginia, to erect 5 poles along Route 35 near the New Bohemia Road,

To W. B. Resnick & A. E. Hughes, Georges Fork, Virginia, to construct an entrance to property on Route 121 between Clintwood and Pound,

To Richmond Engineering Company, Richmond, Virginia, to haul 1 steel tank 10' dia. x 18'5" long from Richmond to Fredericksburg over Route 31,

To J. E. Trevilian, Ark P.O., Virginia, to lay a 1¹/₂" water line under Route 29 at Ark,

To J. E. Tuttle, Craigsville, Virginia, to drive a 1¹/₂" water line under Route 17 to a dwelling in Craigsville,

To Virginia Electric & Power Company, Suffolk, Virginia, to install service connection to private property at Holland, crossing Route 12 at two points,

To Virginia Public Service Company, Alexandria, Virginia, to erect 2 poles on Route 21 near Glabe Road and to install one crossing over same,

To Virginia Public Service Company, Alexandria, Virginia, to install one secondary crossing over Route 21 about 4 miles from Alexandria,

To Virginia Public Service Company, Alexandria, Virginia, to erect one pole on Route 31 at intersection of Telegraph Road between Poles #431 and #432,

To Virginia Public Service Company, Alexandria, Virginia, to erect 70 poles along Route 25 from Fairfax to Fairfax Station, 3 guys and 16 crossings,

To Virginia Public Service Company, Culpeper, Virginia, to cross Route 37 about 4 miles west of Culpeper with 2 telephone wires,

To Virginia Public Service Company, Lawrenceville, Virginia, to cross Route 12 with two guy wires and two private electric lines to dwellings.

To Virginia Public Service Company, Newport News, Virginia, to erect 30 poles along Route 514, 550' North from present line at Poquoson Church,

To Leaver Brothers, Yorktown, Virginia, to construct an entrance to lumber yard on Route 514 at Yorktown, properly taking care of drainage.

Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Truxtun, seconded by Mr. Gilmer, that the Commission confirm the award of contract for the construction of Route 10, Project F-286-A, Crewe - West, to the low bidder, J. S. Kent, Richmond, Virginia, at his bid of \$13,945.14 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, \$4,840.00 for Surface Treatment and \$837.65 for Guard Rail, making a total of approximately \$21,000.00 chargeable to this Project. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Gilmer, seconded by Mr. Shirley, that the Commission confirm the award of contract for the construction of Route 10, Project F361A, West of Marion, to the low bidder, R. H. Bolling, Norton, Virginia, at his bid on Bituminous Macadam of \$43,273.64, and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$48,000.00 chargeable to this Project, subject to rights of way being secured. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Shirley, seconded by Mr. East, that the Commission confirm the award of contract for the construction of Route 12, Project F566F, Brunswick County Line-South Hill, to the low bidder, W. H. Clark & Company, Charlottesville, Virginia, at his unit prices bid, omitting the section through LaCrosse, making a total of approximately \$15,000.00 chargeable to this Project. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. East, seconded by Mr. Truxtun, that the Commission confirm the award of contract for the construction of Route 14, Project F614AB1, Danville-Fall Creek, to the low bidder, T. C. Laramore Paving Company, Danville, Virginia, at their bid of \$108,955.78 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$3000.00 for Detours, making a total of approximately \$123,000.00 chargeable to this Project. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Truxtun, seconded by Mr. Gilmer, that the Commission confirm the award of contract for the construction of Route 21, Project F272B2, Bridge over Rappahannock River near Waterloo, to the low bidder, Roanoke Iron & Bridge Works, Inc. Roanoke, Va. at their bid of \$28,918.35 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$32,000.00 chargeable to this Project. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Gilmer, seconded by Mr. Shirley, that the Commission confirm the award of contract for the construction of Route 21, Project S491B, Bridge over Cedar Creek at Warrenton, to the low bidder, Rhoades & Walters, Inc. Culpeper, Va. at their bid of \$4,903.20 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$6,000.00 chargeable to this Project. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Shirley, seconded by Mr. East, that the Commission confirm the award of contract for the construction of Route 23, Project S139G, Bridge over Little River at Christiansburg, to the low bidder, Alley Construction Co, Inc. Bristol, Va. at their bid of \$19,447.35 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$22,000.00 chargeable to this project. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. East, seconded by Mr. Truxtun, that the Commission confirm the award of contract for the construction of Route 23, Project S-445, Stuart-N.G. Line, to the low bidder, Robert Martin, Co. Salem, Va. at their bid of \$79,322.40 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$19,736.20 for Surface Treatment, making a total of approximately \$107,000.00 chargeable to this Project. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Truxtun, seconded by Mr. Gilmer, that the Commission confirm the award of contract for the construction of Route 23, Project F461AB1, Rich Creek-7.Va. Line, to the low bidder, R. H. Bolling, Norton, Va. at his bid of \$111,136.09 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, \$500.00 for Detours and \$6,721.55 for Guard Rail, making a total of approximately \$130,000.00 chargeable to this Project. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Gilmer, seconded by Mr. Shirley, that the Commission confirm the award of contract for the construction of Route 28, Project S504DE, Centerville - 2.1 Miles South of Centerville and from 2.6 Miles North of South Corporate limits of Manassas to .66 Mile North of South Corporate Limits of Manassas, to the low bidder, R. B. Davis & Co. Charlottesville, Va. for grading and drainage only, at their bid of \$16,872.21 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$19,000.00 chargeable to this Project. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Shirley, seconded by Mr. East, that the Commission confirm the award of contract for the construction of Route 32, Project F184F, Bridge over Rappahannock River at Remington, to the low bidder, Roanoke Iron & Bridge Works, Inc. Roanoke, Virginia, at their bid of \$23,610.57 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$26,000.00 chargeable to this Project. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. East, seconded by Mr. Truxtun, that the contract for the construction of Route 10, Project F-226-B1, Bridge over Tinkers Creek at Roanoke, be awarded to the low bidder, Clarke & Lewis, Luray, Va. at their bid of \$14,006.00 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$16,000.00 chargeable to this Project, the City of Roanoke's portion of this cost being \$8,500. or a net cost to the Commission of \$7,500.00. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Truxtun, seconded by Mr. Gilmer, that the contract for the construction of Route 10, Project F499-G1, Bristol-East, be awarded to the low bidder, R. H. Bolling, Norton, Virginia, at his unit prices bid, widening out the surface to 30 feet, the contractor to be given an extension of time for this extra work, making a total of approximately \$33,000.00 chargeable to this project. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Gilmer, seconded by Mr. Shirley, that the contract for the construction of Route 14, Project F-24-DESH-B2,3,4,5, Clifton Forge - Longdale Furnace, be awarded to the low bidder Major-Carpenter Bros. & Company, Inc, Clifton Forge, Virginia, at their bid of \$65,582.63 and that 10% addition-

al be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, \$1,000.00 for Detours, \$2,854.65 for Guard Rail and \$3,120.00 for Surface Treatment, making a total of approximately \$80,000.00 chargeable to this Project. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Shirley, seconded by Mr. East, that the contract for the construction of Route 18, Project F-552-C, Brookneal-South, be awarded to the low bidder, Wello L. Teer, Durham, N.C. at his bid of \$36,187.68 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, and \$2,171.34 for Guard Rail, making a total of approximately \$42,000.00 chargeable to this Project. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Gilmer, seconded by Mr. Truxtun, that the contract for the construction of Route 21, Project F-272-C, Culpeper County Line-Kassie's Corner, be awarded to the low bidder, Tunstall-Johnson Company, Inc., Norfolk, Virginia, at their bid of \$77,578.16 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work \$3,234.00 for Detours, \$937.97 for Guard Rail and \$9,669.00 for Surface Treatment, making a total of approximately \$100,000.00 chargeable to this Project. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. East, seconded by Mr. Gilmer, that the contract for the construction of Route 37, Project F-526-B, Bridge over Totusky Creek, be awarded to the low bidder, J. S. Bowers, Whiteville, N.C. at his bid of \$29,126.24 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$32,000.00 chargeable to this Project, provided the contractor will wait to start the construction of this bridge until the fill approaching same has been made. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Gilmer, seconded by Mr. Shirley, that the contract for the construction of Route 37, Project F-526-E, Approaches to Totusky Creek Bridge, be awarded to 2nd low bidder, Perkins-Barnes Construction Company, Inc, Blackstone, Virginia, at their bid of \$7,155.56 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, \$500.00 for Detours and \$1,168.75 for Guard Rail, making a total of approximately \$10,000.00 chargeable to this Project, the low bidder on this project being unsatisfactory. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Truxtun, seconded by Mr. Shirley, that the request of Roberts Contracting Company, that \$620.00 liquidated damages deducted on Project 415-AB, Route 33, Henry County, Franklin-Henry County Line - Daniels Creek, be rejected as this company has already been returned \$920.00 on this project and Chief Engineer Mullen cannot recommend that additional money be returned. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Gilmer, seconded by Mr. East, that the contractor, B. H. Grizer, on Route 106, Project 489-BE, approaches to Overhead at Sunbright be granted an extension of time of 12 days on this Project, as per recommendation of Chief Engineer Mullen. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Truxtun, seconded by Mr. Shirley, that the request of the contractor, Albert Brothers, on Route 11, Project 281, Clintwood-Wise County Line, and Route 11, Project 287, Dickenson County Line-Donkey, for an

extension of time, be rejected as per recommendation of Chief Engineer Mullen. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Shirley, seconded by Mr. Gilmer, that the request of the contractor, Rosenbaum Brothers, on Route 126, Project 265-A1, Streets of Grundy for an extension of time, be rejected as per recommendation of Chief Engineer Mullen. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Truxtun, seconded by Mr. Gilmer, that a public hearing be given on the location of Route 605 leading from Kilmarnock to Reedsville. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Gilmer, seconded by Mr. Truxtun, that the State Corporation Commission be requested to require the Southern Railway Company to place gates or watchmen at the grade crossings on Route 10 northeast of Gate City. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Gilmer, seconded by Mr. East, that the contract on Route 10, Project 499-A, Bristol - East, be extended at the same unit prices for about 10,000 yards and that the grading be widened out to a width of 40 ft. and the base to be widened to 30 feet. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Truxtun, seconded by Mr. Shirley, that the Commission will give a public hearing if application is made to the Commission to change the road through Goshen Pass, Route 805, by the Power Company. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. East, seconded by Mr. Truxtun, that the State Highway Commission request that at least \$4,627,55 of the Forestry Road allocation be applied to Bath County. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Shirley, seconded by Mr. East, that the following additions to the Federal Aid System be requested approved by the Bureau of Public Roads:

Route 801, From Route 33 near Natural Bridge to Route 14 near Glasgow,
Route 44, Clarksville to South Boston,
Route 17, From Route 33 to Route 14 near Clifton Forge.

Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Truxtun, seconded by Mr. Gilmer, that the .6 mile left over from the 2nd Clause for 1929, in the Fredericksburg District, be applied to the extension of Route 603 towards Deltaville. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. East, seconded by Mr. Gilmer, that the Bridge on Route 39 over Whiskey Creek, be named the "Castle Creek Bridge". Motion carried.

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Moved by Mr. Gilmer, seconded by Mr. Truxtun, that the Commission recommend to the Governor an amendment to Chapter 222, Approved March 14, 1918, Acts of the General Assembly, granting passes to the employees and officials of the State Highway Department, making it applicable to toll ferries also. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Truxtun, seconded by Mr. Shirley, that the straight line be adopted as the final location of Route 33 near Natural Bridge. Motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned, subject to the call of the Commissioner.

APPROVED -

H. G. Shirley
Commissioner.

ATTESTED -

W. H. Massie
Secretary.