## MINUTES

OF

## MEETING OF STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION RICHMOND, VIRGINIA MARCH 17, 1966

The monthly meeting of the State Highway Commission of Virginia was held at the Central Highway Office in Richmond, on March 17, 1986. Mr. Douglas B. Fugate, Commissioner, presided.

Present: Messrs. Baughan, Chilton, Fitzpatrick, Holland, Landrith, McWans, Sciater, and Weaver.

On motion of Mr. Sclater, seconded by Mr. Landrith, minutes of the meeting of February 17, 1966, were approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Sclater, seconded by Mr. Landrith, that permits issued from February 17, 1988, to March 16, 1986, inclusive, as shown by records of the Department, he approved. Motion carried.

On motion of Mr. Sclater, seconded by Mr. Landrith, cancellation of permits from February 17, 1966, to March 16, 1966, as shown by records of the Department, was approved.

Mr. Harwood reported that when all bills have been received for removal of snow following the storms of late January and early February the total cost will probably run close to \$7 Million. He stated the budget each year includes \$4 Million for snow removal and that this figure was not exceeded during the winter of 1964-65. Of the \$7 Million, Mr. Harwood said \$4 Million would be chargeable to the Secondary System, \$3 Million to Primary and Interstate.

Mr. Harwood said there had been considerable breakup of roads in the eastern part of the state as a result of the snow and freezing and thawing; that the general condition of roads in the western part of the state, where the thaw did not come as quickly, is not too bad. He said the Department had received numerous resolutions and letters of commendation of field forces and added that the Equipment Division personnel had done a remarkable job also. Moved by Mr. Sclater, Seconded by Mr. Landrith, that the Commission confirm letter ballot action on bids received February 16, 1966, on the following projects:

#### Routes 505 and 620, Project 0605-087-124, B613; 0620-087-128, B612

2 Box Culverts, Route 605, 0.474 Mi. W. Int. 628 and Ri. 620 at Warrick Branch. Southampton County. Award of contract to low bidder, Franklin Contractors, Inc., Franklin, Virginia.

Bid \$ 24,656.04 (Construction)
10% for engineering and additional work 2,465.60
Amount chargeable to project 27,100.00

\$13,000.00 to be provided for in the County's 1966-67 & Subsequent Years Secondary Budgets.

#### Route 614, Project 0614-085-121, C501, H605

Secondary Budgets.

Int. 263 - 0.465 Mile S. Int. 263, Shenandoah County. Award of contract to low bidder, Bennett Construction Company, Inc., Salem, Virginia.

Bid \$118,416.82 (Construction)
10% for engineering and additional work 11,841.68
Work by State Forces 194.00
Amount chargeable to project 130,450.00
\$113,000.00 to be provided for in County's 1966-67 and Subsequent Years

## Route 792, Project 0792-007-140, C501, B610; 142, C501, B612

2,444 Mi. S. Int. 254 - Int. 612, Augusta County. Award of contract to low bidder, Turner Brothers Contractors, Salem, Virginia.

Bid \$352,108.65 (Construction)
10% for engineering and additional work 35,210.86
Work by State Forces \$98.00
Amount chargeable to project 387,700.00
\$192,000.00 to be provided for in the Countrie 1966-67 and Subsequent Year

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#### Houte 1, Project 0001-020-107, C501

0.145 Mile N. Int. 145 - 0.081 Mi. S. Int. 145, Chesterfield County. Award of contract to low bidder, Municipal Paving Company, Inc., Richmond, Virginia.

Bid	\$66,202.3	(Construction)
10% for engineering and additional work	6,620.2	3 .
Work by State Forces	3, 217. 5	D
Right of Way	2,550.0	O *
Utilities	1,500.0	D *
Amount chargeable to project	80,100.0	0
\$30, 100, 60 to be provided for in 1966-67	Primary C	onstruction Allocation.

To be financed from Construction Allocation.

#### Route 1, Project 0001-048-104, C601

0.094 Mile S. Int. 73 - 0.141 Mi. N. Int. 73, Henrico County. Award of contract to low bidder, A. N. Johnston Construction Company, Fairfax, Virginia.

Bid	\$47,691.00		(Construction)
10% for engineering and additional work	4,769.10		
Work by State Forces	3,602.50		
Right of Way	30D, 00	*	
Utilities	500.00	*	
Amount chargeable to project	66,850.00		

\* To be financed from Construction Allocation.

#### Route 11, Project 0011-119-103, C501

0.063 Mi. W. Int. N. Jones Street - 0.386 Mi. E. Int. N. Jones Street. Town of Marion. Award of contract to low bidder, H & S Construction Co., Roanoke, Virginia.

Bid	\$189,960.89	(Construction)
10% for engineering and additional work	18,996.08	
Work by State Forces	<b>599</b> , <b>5</b> 0	
Amount chargeable to project	209,550.00	
Accts. Rec Town of Marion	40,681.16	

#### Route 64, Project 0064-134-101, B601, B602, B603, B606

4 Bridges only, ECL Norfolk - Virginia Beach - Chesapeake City Limits. City of Virginia Beach. Award of contract to low bidder, T. A. Loving Company, Fisherville, Virginia.

Bid (Alternate)	\$1,312,606,28	(Construction)
10% for engineering and additional work	131,260.62	
Work by State Forces	326,00	
Amount chargeable to project	1,444,200,00	
Accts. Rec. University of Virginia	5,500.00	·

## Route 802, Project 0602-024-109, C501, B603

Bridge and Approaches over Willis River, Cumberland County. Award of contract to low bidder, E. F. Blankenship Company, Salem, Virginia.

Bid	\$83,561.70	(Construction)
10% for engineering and additional work	8,856.17	
Work by State Forces	1,182.50	
Amount chargeable to project	93,100.00	
\$25,000.00 to be provided for in the Cou	nty's 1966–67 ar	rd Subsequent Years
Secondary Budgets.	_	_

## Route 612, Project 0612-068-131, C501, B609

0.500 Mi. S. of S. End Br. Ni River - 0.453 Mi. N. Of N. End Br. Ni River, Spotsylvania County. Award of contract to low bidder, The Via Company, Inc., and Via Construction Company, Inc., Richmond, Virginia.

Bid	\$119,152.50	(Construction)
10% for engineering and additional work	11,915.25	•
Work by State Forces	194.00	
Amount chargeable to project	181,250.00	
\$124,000.00 to be provided for in the Co	unty's 1965-67	and Subsequent Years
Secondary Budgets.	-	-

## Routes 616 and 635, Project 0616-003-102, C502, B607 0635-008-108, C503

0.958 Mi. N. Int. 60 - 0.626 Mi. S. Int. 42, Alleghany County. Award of contract to low bidder, Charles W. Barger and Son Construction Company, Inc., Lexington, Virginia.

Bid \$147, 315, 05 (Construction)

10% for engineering and additional work 14,731.50

Amount chargeable to project 162, 050, 00

\$82,000.00 to be provided for in the County's 1966-67 and subsequent years Secondary Budgets.

## Routes 629 and 671, Project 0829-036-112, C501; 0671-036-108, C501

Int. 17 (S. E. Gloucester C. H.) - 0.038 Mi. S. Int. 615, Gloucester County. Award of contract to low bidder, Luck Corp. and C. Merle Luck, Jr., Richmond, Virginia.

Bid \$ 154, 442. 34 (Construction)

10% for engineering and additional work 15,444.23 Amount chargeable to project 169,900.00

\$65,000.00 to be provided for in the County's 1966-67 and subsequent years Secondary Budgets.

## Route 643, Project 0643-090-111, C501

0.027 Mt. S. NCL Dendron - Int. 614, Surry County. Award of contract to low bidder, Via Paving Company, Inc., Richmond, Virginia.

Bid \$77,624,50 (Construction)

10% for engineering and additional work 7.762.45 Work by State Forces-Obscuring Old Rd. 632.50

Amount chargeable to project 86,000,00

\$82,000.00 to be provided for in the County's 1966-67 and Subsequent Years Secondary Budgets.

### Route 680, Project 0680-042-151, C501, B607

Bridge and Approaches over Little River, Hanover County. Award of contract to low bidder, Marks-Runions Company, Inc., Clarksville, Virginia.

Bid (Regular) \$132,009.95 (Construction)

10% for engineering and additional work
Work by State Forces 194,00
Amount chargeable to project 145,400.00

\$105,000.00 to be provided for in County's 1986-67 and Subsequent Years

Secondary Budgets.

#### Route 718, Project 0718-082-122, C501

ECL Harrisonburg - 0.811 Mi. E. ECL Harrisonburg, Rockingham County. Award of contract to low bidder, Valley Paving, Inc., Staunton, Virginia.

Bid \$80,267.47 (Construction)

10% for engineering and additional work 8,026.74 Work by State Forces 110.00

(Exist. Structure Removed)

Amount chargeable to project 88,400.00

\$68,000.00 to be provided for in County's 1966-67 and Subsequent Years. Secondary Budgets.

Accts. Rec. - Town of Harrisonburg - \$4,733.47

#### Route 739, Project 0739-005-121, C501, B611

0.081 Mi. W. Southern Railway - 0.055 Mi. E. Southern Railway, Amherst County. Award of contract to low bidder, Wilkins Construction Company, Inc., Amherst, Virginia.

Bid \$85,706.75 (Construction

10% for engineering and additional work 8,570.67 Amount chargeable to project 94,300.00

\$32,000,00 to be provided in County's 1966-67 and Subsequent Years Secondary Budgets.

Moved by Mr. Sclater, Seconded by Mr. Landrith, that the Commission confirm letter ballot action rejecting bids received February 16, 1966, on the following project and authorizing readvertisement of this project.

## Route 297, Project 0297-141-101, C-501

0.010 Mile West Orange Street - Int. Lyle Street. Town of Bedford. Low bid is 16.2% over estimate.

MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Mr. Fitzpatrick, Seconded by Mr. Holland, that the proposed extension of State Route 419 in Rosnoke County beginning at the intersection of State Route 116 near its intersection with Interstate Route 81 north of Salem, and being shown on the plans for State Project 0589-080-101, RW-201, C-501 as Station 35 ÷ 98 (SBL) and Station 41 ÷ 10 (NBL) and extending in a southerly direction approximately 0.951 mile to the NCL of Salem; said point being shown on the afore-mentioned plans as Station 106 ÷ 79.22 (SBL) and Station 107 ÷ 26.55 (NBL), including any necessary relocations, interchanges, ramps, connections, etc., be designated as a limited access highway in accordance with Article 3, Chapter 1, Title 33 of the 1950 Code of Virginia as amended.

Points of access permitted under this resolution are shown on the plans at a road connection at Station 48 + 00 and at a connection of State Route 727 at Station 98 + 65.

These points of access are to be made a part of the right of way transaction and record.

Moved by Mr. Landrith, Seconded by Judge Weaver, that

WHEREAS, \$ 33-136.1 of the Code of Virginia provides a fund for fiscal 1965-66 of \$1,500,000 to "...be expended by the Commission for constructing, reconstructing, maintaining or improving access roads within counties, cities and towns to industrial sites on which manufacturing, processing, or other establishments will be built under firm contract or are already constructed and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Fairfax County by resolution has requested the use of industrial access funds to construct a road to provide access to the new facility of the Washington Gas Light Company, located in Shirley Industrial Park - Section II, estimated to cost \$25,000; and

WHEREAS, it appears that this request falls within the intent of § 33-136.1 and has complied with the provisions of the Highway Commission's policy on the use of industrial access funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that \$25,000 from the industrial access fund for 1965-66 be allocated for providing access to the new facility of the Washington Gas Light Company, Project 2723-029-171, C501, contingent upon advice from the Washington Gas Light Company that it has entered into a firm contract for the construction of its buildings, and upon the following being provided at no cost to the Commonwealth: (1) a 60-foot right of way. (2) any necessary adjustment or relocation of utilities, (3) the performance of the grading operations, (4) the providing of the necessary drainage, and (5) the providing of the necessary base material approved by the Highway Department.

MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Mr. Landrith, Seconded by Mr. Holland, that

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of \$ 128 of Title 23 - High-ways, United States Code, a Public Hearing was held in the George C. Marshall High School Auditorium, Fairfax County, Virginia, at 10:00 s.m., E.D.S.T., on September 9, 1965, concerning the proposed construction of Route 7 from 0.26 miles north of the Dulles Access Highway to the Loudoun County Line in Fairfax County, State Project 0007-029-106 and Federal Project F070-L(14).

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 development as planned and their statements being duly recorded, and

WHEREAS, the economic effects of the proposed location have been examined and given proper consideration, and this evidence, along with all other, has been carefully reviewed.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the construction of this project be approved in accordance with the general plan as proposed and presented at the Public Hearing by the Department Engineers with minor modifications to reduce property damage. This proposed improvement generally consists of the addition of parallel lanes to expand the existing two-lane facility to four lanes.

MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Mr. McWane, Seconded by Mr. Sciater, that

WHEREAS, by proper resolutions, the Hoards of Supervisors of several counties have requested that certain roads which no longer serve as a public necessity be discontinued as parts of the Secondary System of Highways;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 33-76.7 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, the following roads be discontinued as parts of the Secondary System of Righways, effective this date.

CAMPBELL COUNTY - Section 4 of old location Route 670, from Station 66 + 45 to Station 82 + 50, Project 0670-015-128, C501---- 0.32 Mile

CARROLL COUNTY (CONT.)	- Sections 2 & 6 of old location Route 743 between Route 740 and Route 796
•	- Section 5 of old location of Route 886, from a point 0.60 mile west of Route 660, looping southerly to new Route 9860.23 Mile
	- Sections 1, 6, 8 and 10 of old location of Route 740, between Route 620 and Route 7450.84 Mile
	- Section 3 of Route 844, from Route 740 southeast to Route 6200.05 Mile
	- Sections 3 & 4 of old location of Route 740 between Route 741 and Route 810
•	- Sections 14, 15 and 16 of old location of Route 636, between Route 636 and Route 925
	<ul> <li>Section 5 of old location of Route 685, hetween Route 704 and Route 6970.06 Mile</li> </ul>
•	<ul> <li>Sections 4 &amp; 6 of old location</li> <li>of Route 768, between Rt. 94</li> <li>and N.C. L. Fries 0.12 Mile</li> </ul>
	- Sections 8, 10, 13, and 16 of old location of Route 677, between Route 654 and Route 680, Project 0677-017-118

DICKENSON COUNTY	- Sections 2, 5 and 6 of old location Route 657, between Route 658 and Station 148 + 70, Project 0657- 025-103, C-501
FLOYD COUNTY	- Section 6 of old location Route 679 between Route 221 and Route 681 0,06 Mile
	- Sections 3, 4, 8, 11, 14 and 19 of old location Route 740 between Route 750 and Route 814
	- Section 5 of old location Route 664, between Route 221 and Route 639
	- Sections 4 and 6 of old location Route 717, between Route 720 and Route 8 0, 13 Mile
•	- Section 11 of old location Route 796, between Route 221 and Route 6450.06 Mile
MONTGOMERY COUNTY	- Section 1 of old location Route 693, from Station 19 + 50 to Station 26 + 60, Project 0693-060-105, C-501, B-602
	- Section 2 of old location Route 693, from Station 30 + 10 to Station 38 + 30 Project 0693-060-105, C501, B6020.16 Mile
	- Section 3 of Route 600, from new Route 693 to old Route 693, Project 0693-060-105, C-501, B6020.01 Mile
	- Sections 1, 3, 6, and 7 of old location Route 600, between Station 25 + 90 and Station 135 + 75, Project 0600- 060-122, C501, B608

Moved by Mr. Landrith, Seconded by Mr. Chilton, that

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of Section 126 of Title 23 - Highways, United States Code, a Public Hearing was held in the Board of Supervisor's Room in the County Building at Manassas, Virginia, at 10:00 a.m., E.S.T. on February 16, 1968, concerning the proposed construction of Route 234 from 0.230 miles east of the intersection of Route 66 to 0.735 mile east of the West Corporate Limits of Manassas in Prince William County and the Town of Manassas, State Projects 0234-076-101, C501 and 0234-155-101, C501, and Federal Project 8-611(5).

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 development as planned and their statements being duly recorded, and

WHEREAS, the economic effects of the proposed location have been examined and given proper consideration, and this evidence, along with all other, has been carefully reviewed.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the construction of this project be approved in accordance with the general plan as proposed and presented at the Public Hearing by the Department Engineers. This proposed improvement generally consists of the addition of parallel lanes to expand the existing two-lane facility to four lanes.

MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Judge Weaver, Seconded by Mr. Landrith, that

WHEREAS, under authority of Section 33-35.4 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, request is made by the City of Richmond for payment at the rate of \$800 per mile annually on additional streets meeting required standards; also for deletion of streets no longer eligible for maintenance payments;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that quarterly payments at the base rate of \$800 per mile annually be made to the City of Richmond on additional streets, totaling 0.43 mile, that have been brought up to standards required by this section of the Code, and a deletion of 1.16 miles obliterated by construction and no longer eligible for payment, effective beginning April 1, 1966 with the first quarterly payment due after June 30, 1956.

## Additional mileage of streets eligible for payment desorbed as follows:

Fairfield Avenue	From Selden St. to Creighton Road	- 0,28 Mi.
Parker Street	From Government Road to Williamsburg	
,	Avenus	- 0.15 <b>M</b> 1.

# Deletion of mileage on streets no longer eligible for payment described as follows:

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From 3rd Street to 7th Street	- 0.24 Mi.
From NCL Franklin St. to 520' North	- 0,10 Mi.
From 7th Street to 8th Street	- 0.05 Mi.
From 3rd Street to 4th Street	- 0, 07 M1.
From 5th Street to 6th Street	- 0.07 M1.
From 5th Avenue to 50' West	- 0.01 Mi.
From 6th Street to 6th Street	- 0.05 Mi.
From Governor Street to 14th Street	- 0,08 Mi.
From ECL 14th Street to WCL Ballard St.	- 0.05 Mi.
From 6th Street to 8th Street	- 0.10 Mi.
From Baker Street to 125' North	- 0.02 Mi.
From Duval Street to 60' South	- 0.01 Mi.
From Baker St. to Relocated 5th St.	- 0.02 M1.
From Call Street to Alder Street	- 0.14 Mi.
	- 0.12 Mi.
From Preston Street to Bates Street	~ 0.05 Mi.
	From 7th Street to 8th Street From 3rd Street to 4th Street From 5th Street to 6th Street From 5th Avenue to 50' West From 6th Street to 6th Street From Governor Street to 14th Street From ECL 14th Street to WCL Ballard St. From 6th Street to 8th Street From Baker Street to 125' North From Duval Street to 60' South From Baker St. to Relocated 5th St. From Call Street to Alder Street From Baker Street to Federal Street

The street additions totaling 0.43 mile and deletion of 1.16 miles to a net deletion of 0.73 miles will decrease the total milesge in the City of Richmond from 504.54 miles to 503.71 miles of approved streets.

Moved by Mr. Baughan. Seconded by Mr. Chilton.
that State Route 37, the Winchester By-Pass in Frederick County, beginning at a point south of Winchester at the intersection of Interstate Route 81 and being shown on the plans for State Project 6037-034-101, RW-201, RW-202, left of Station 116 + 85 (SBL) and right of Station 124 + 48 (NBL), and extending in a northerly direction approximately 9.00 miles to a point on U. S. Route 11 north of Winchester, said point being shown on the aforementioned plans left of Station 589 + 60 (SBL) and right of Station 580 + 54 (NBL), including any necessary relocations, interchanges, ramps, connections, etc., be designated as a limited access highway in accordance with Article 3, Chapter 1, Title 33 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended.

#### MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Judge Weaver, Seconded by Mr. Landrith.

WHEREAS, in commention with Route 28, State Highway Project 0028-076-103, C-501 in Prince William County an agreement has been entered into with the owners of the adjoining lands for the conveyance to them of the westerly half of the former location of Route 616 now closed to traffic by reason of the construction of a new connection between said Route 28 and said Route 616 under the project aforesaid, in exchange for the additional right of way needed for the reconstruction of said Route 28; and

WHEREAS, the westerly half of the said section of old location of Route 616 from a point opposite survey Station 309 + 25 to a point opposite survey Station 312 + 50 has been shandoned by the Board of Supervisors of said County in accordance with provisions of § 33-76.12 of the 1950 Code of Virginia as amended by resolution duly adopted and entered in the minutes of their meeting held on July 15, 1965; and

WHEREAS, The State Highway Commissioner has certified in writing such fact and that he deems the said section of road so abandoned to be no longer necessary for the uses of the Secondary System of State Highways.

NOW, THEREFORE, in accordance with the provisions of \$33.76.11 of the 1950 Code of Virginia as amended, the conveyance of the said westerly half of the section of abandoned Route 616 to the owner or owners of record of the adjoining lands in exchange for new right of way required for Route 28 is hereby approved, and the State Highway Commissioner is hereby authorized to execute a deed of quitclaim accordingly in the name of the Commonwealth.

Moved by Judge Weaver, Seconded by Mr. Landrith, that

WHEREAS, in connection with the Hampton Roads Bridge Tunnel Project the permission was granted to the Virginia Electric and Power Company to construct, operate and maintain an electric transformer substation at the east end of the Project on Willoughby Spit in the City of Norfolk, to be used principally as a source of electric power for the operation of the said Project; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia Electric and Power Company proposes to reconstruct and modify the said electric transformer substation in connection with its other facilities in the vicinity, and has requested an easement for the construction, operation and maintenance of the addition to the substation, to extend 21 feet to the east of the present substation, as well as an easement to cover the original substation; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of the Trust Indenture the consulting engineers have concurred in the proposed addition and the granting of the proposed easement, as evidenced by a letter dated February 1, 1966, and addressed to Mr. E. H. Orange, Toll Facilities Manager, from M. N. Quade of Parsons, Brinckerhoff, Quade and Douglas; and

WHEREAS, the State Highway Commissioner has certified in writing that he deems the conveyance of the proposed easement as requested to be expedient.

NOW, THEREFORE, in accordance with the provisions of 1 2-4.2 of the 1950 Code of Virginia as amended, the State Highway Commissioner is hereby authorized, after first having obtained the consent of the Governor in writing to convey to the Virginia Electric and Power Company an essement for such purposes in, over and upon such land, and subject to such conditions and restrictions as he may deem proper.

Moved by Judge Weaver, Seconded by Mr. Landrith, that

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth is the owner of certain right of way in Hallfax County acquired in connection with old Route 18, Project 141-A; and

WHEREAS, said old Route 18 has now become Route 501 and has been reconstructed and relocated in part under State Highway Project 0501-041-104, C-501, leaving a section of the old road and right of way lying to the east of the new location of Route 501 and no longer serving the public; and

WHEREAS, the owners of the adjoining lands, in order to provide for the more orderly development of their property, have requested that the old right of way be conveyed to them where same lies outside of the new right of way for relocated Routs 501; and

WHEREAS, the State Highway Commissioner has certified in writing that with the abandonment of the said section of old road from a point on the new east right of way line of the last named Route and Project opposite survey Station 1087 + 40 to a point on same opposite survey Station 1101 + 00, same will no longer constitute a section of the public road, that the new location of Route 501 serves the same citizens as the old location and that it has his approval, and that he deems the section of old location aforesaid to be no longer necessary for the uses of the State Highway System.

NOW, THEREFORE, in accordance with the provisions of § 83-76.5 of the 1950 Code of Virginia as amended, the said section of old road and right of way is hereby declared abandoned, and in accordance with the provisions of § 33-76.6 of said Code the conveyance of the said old right of way so abandoned to the owner or owners of record of the lands adjoining same by deed or deeds of quitclaim and for such consideration or considerations as may meet with the approval of the State Right of Way Engineer is hereby approved, and the State Highway Commissioner is hereby authorized to execute in the name of the Commonwealth such deed or deeds.

Moved by Judge Weaver, Seconded by Mr. Landrith,

THAT WHEREAS, the Commonwealth did acquire all of the lots or parcels of land from Guy L. Moore, wickwer, by Deed dated January 20, 1966, as recorded in Deed Book 253, Page 16; Lucille L. Brooks, widow, by Deed dated January 10, 1966, as recorded in Deed Book 252, Page 702; and from Maude Brooks, single, Alyce Mabel Brooks, single, and Ruth Brooks Burch, widow, by Deed dated January 10, 1966, as recorded in Deed Book 252, Page 705. The above deeds were recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Hanover County, in commection with Routs 360, State Highway Project 0360-042-102, RW-201, C-501;

AND WHEREAS, a portion of the said parcels are required for the right of way of said Route and Project;

AND WHEREAS, the State Highway Commissioner has certified in writing that the remainder of the said parcels lying south of the south right of way line of Frontage Road A and west of the west right of way line of Route 156, from a point 45 feet opposite survey Station 214 + 29 Frontage Road A to a point 55 feet opposite survey Station 20 + 67 centerline of Route 156, does not constitute a section of the public road and is deemed no longer necessary for the uses of the State Highway System, and has recommended that same be advertised and sold to the highest bidder at public auction.

NOW, THEREFORE, the conveyance of the said parcels in accordance with the provisions of Section 33-117.4 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, is judged to be in the public interest and the State Highway Commissioner is hereby authorized to advertise and sell by public auction the said parcels of land so certified to the highest bidder at a price recommended by the State Right of Way Engineer and is authorized to execute in the name of the Commonwealth a deed conveying same, without warranty, to the successful hidder including any and all appurtenances thereunto belonging, and subject to such terms and conditions as the said State Highway Commissioner may deem requisite.

Moved by Judge Weaver, Seconded by Mr. Landrith,

THAT WHEREAS, the Commonwealth did acquire all of the lot or parcel of land from Stephen L. Wright, Jr. and Elizabeth P. Wright, his wife, by Deed dated October 25, 1985, as recorded in Deed Book 291, Page 537, in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Nansemond County, in connection with Route 58, State Highway Project 0058-061-102, RW-201, C-508;

AND WHEREAS, a portion of said parcel is required for the right of way of said Route and Project;

AND WHEREAS, the State Highway Commissioner has certified in writing that the remainder of the said parcel lying north of the north right of way line of said Route 58, from a point 30 feet opposite survey Station 765 + 49 (centerline WBL) to a point 30 feet opposite survey Station 766 + 49 (Center line WBL) of said Route 58, does not constitute a section of the public road and is deemed no longer necessary for the uses of the State Highway System, and has recommended that same be advertised and sold to the highest bidder at public suction.

NOW, THEREFORE, the conveyance of the said parcel in accordance with the provisions of Section 33-117.4 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, is judged to be in the public interest and the State Highway Commissioner is hereby suthorized to advertise and sell by public suction the said parcel of land so certified to the highest bidder at a price recommended by the State Right of Way Engineer and is authorized to execute in the name of the Commonwealth a deed conveying same, without warranty, to the successful bidder including any and all appurtenences thereunto belonging, and subject to such terms and conditions as the said State Highway Commissioner may deem requisite.

Moved by Judge Weaver. Seconded by Mr. Landrith, that

WHEREAS, in connection with the construction of Route 350, the Shirley Memorial Highway, State Highway Project 1400E3 in Fairfax County, an agreement was reached with the Richmond, Fredericksburg, and Potomac Railroad Company whereby a certain 15 foot wide strip of land adjacent to the Railroad right of way would be conveyed to the Railroad in partial exchange for additional lands needed from Railroad property for the construction of the said Route and Project, which agreement has never been fully carried out; and

WHEREAS, in connection with Route 95, State Highway Project 0095-029-102, RW-1, an agreement has been reached with the said Railroad whereby certain parcels of land not needed for highway purposes would be conveyed to the Railroad in partial exchange for certain other lands needed for the conversion of Route 350 into Interstate Route 95; and

WHEREAS, the State Highway Commissioner has certified in writing that those two small triangular parcels of land lying east of the new east right of way line of Route 350 and relocated Route 611 as shown on Sheet 6 of the plans for the last named Project, and that 15 foot wide strip of land adjacent to the Railroad's west right of way line from a point just north of the Route 1 underpass to a point opposite survey Station 28 + 58.06 of the survey centerline of Route 350, do not constitute sections of the public road and are deemed no longer necessary for the uses of the State Highway System.

NOW, THEREFORE, in accordance with the provisions of \$ 33-76.6 of the 1950 Code of Virginia as amended, the conveyance without warranty of the said three parcels of land so certified to the said Railroad in partial exchange for other lands needed from the said Railroad in connection with Routes 350 and 95, is hereby approved, and the State Highway Commissioner is hereby authorized to execute a deed in the name of the Commonwealth accordingly, subject to such other provisions and conditions as he may deem requisite.

Moved by Mr. Sclater, Seconded by Mr. McWane, that

WHEREAS. by virtue of Chapter 263 of the Acts of Assembly of 1932, roads within grounds of state institutions were included in the Primary System of Highways; and

WHEREAS, under authority of Section 33-26 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, the Highway Commission may add such additional roads; bridges and streets as it shall deem proper to the Primary System of Highways; and

WHEREAS, the Advisory Board of the Clinch Valley College located in Wise County, and now under jurisdiction of the University of Virginia, adopted a resolution dated February 9, 1966, requesting that a new road on the campus grounds be added to the Primary System of Highways, the new road having been constructed to meet minimum standards required for acceptance as a part of the Primary System.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 23-26 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, the newly constructed driveway within the grounds of the Clinch Valley College, leading from Route 646 at a point 0.07 mile east of Route 882 and running northwesterly 0.50 mile; serving the girls' dormitory, the gymnasium, science building and administration building, be added to the Primary System of Highways.

The new addition to be designated as Route 382 along with existing roads on the college grounds.

Moved by Judge Weaver, Seconded by Mr. Holland,

WITNESSETH THAT WHEREAS, on or about the 19th day of February, 1959, Barnhill Contracting Company, Inc., entered into a contract with the State Highway Commission for the construction in connection with Project No. 0095-042-101, G-1; 0095-043-101, G-2, on Interstate Route 95 in Hanover and Henrico Counties; and

WHEREAS, on this project conditions were encountered in the excavation which altered the usual method of handling such excavation to an unreasonable extent. The quantity of unsuitable material which had to be wasted at the contractor's expense amounted to more than 624,000 cubic yards in addition to what was contemplated on the plans. The cost incurred by the contractor in obtaining waste areas due to the high land value was exorbitant; and

WHEREAS, the contractor was required to alter his methods and procedures for excavating and wasting such an unreasonable large quantity of unsuitable material and many precautions were used on this project to utilize as much of the suitable material as possible; and

WHEREAS, this extra work was done at a cost of approximately Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000); and

WHEREAS, the additional cost which represents the removing of material due solely to the unforeseen manner to which the material had to be excavated and wasted is in the amount of One Hundred Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$125,000).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the State Highway Commission is hereby authorized, on behalf of this Commission, to pay to Barnhill Contracting Company, Inc., on the above-mentioned project for this additional excavating and wasting at the cost of One Hundred Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$125,000).

Moved by Judge Weaver, Seconded by Mr. Fitzpatrick, that

WHEREAS, Section 46.1-193 and Section 46.1-845 of the Code
of Virginia of 1950, as amended, provides for increasing or decreasing
speed limits from the statutable established speed limits and/or establishing
a minimum speed limit when such increase or decrease and/or establishment of a minimum speed limit has been prescribed by the State Highway
Commission after an engineering and traffic investigation; and

WHEREAS, the Highway Department has now completed the required engineering and traffic investigation for the herein specified section or sections of highway and has determined that the respective maximum and/or minimum speed limit should be established accordingly and as affixed herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the speed limit for all vehicles not otherwise restricted by statute, be ascribed for the following specified section or sections of highway as shown on the attached tabulations by districts.

## SALEM DISTRICT

## Henry County

58	Fron: To :	0.20 M1. W. of Rte. 614 (M.P. 1.33) 0.41 0.08 Mi. W. of Route 620 (M.P. 1.74)	60/50
		Rosnoke and Montgomery Counties	
11		Route 612 (M.P. 21.14 - Rosnoke County) 3.91 0.07 Mi. W. of Rosnoke-Montgomery Co. Line (M.P. 0.07 - Montgomery County)	55/45, Min. 40
		Montgomery County	
11		0.07 ML. W. of Rosnoke Co. Line (M.P. 0.07) 9.51 0.36 Mi. W. of Route 795 (M.P. 9.58)	60/50, Min. 40
11		0.36 M1, W. of Rts. 795 (M.P. 9.58) 4.65 0.06 M1, E. of Rts. 640 (M.P. 14.23)	55/45, Min. 40
		LYNCHBURG DISTRICT	
		Charlotte County	
15 & 4-360		0.25 Hi. E. of Relocated Route 15 Overpass 4.05 Q.17 Mi. E. of Southern Reilroad Overpass	65/50, Min. 40
		Helifer County	
58		0.11 Mi. W. of Rte. 658 (A.F. 20.70) 9.95 Pittsylvania-Halifax Co. Line (M.P. 30.65)	60/50, Min. 40
		Pittaylwemia County	
58	Front To :	Ralifar-Pitteylvenia Co. Line (M.P. 0.00) 7.51 Route 1219 (M.P. 7.51)	60/50, Htp. 40
		RECHMOND DISTRICT	
		Brunswick County	
58		4.49 M1. W. Ree. 46 (M.P. 16.97) 3.60 2.14 M1. W. Ree. 623 (M.P. 20.57)	60/50
		New Kent County	
60		James City County Line (M.F. 0.00) 18.47 0.41 Mi. W. of Route 33 (M.F. 18.47)	60/50, Min. 40
	•	Prince George County	
460	From: To :	0.27 Mi. W. of Route 618 (M.P. 3.20) 9.66 0.05 Mi. E. of Route 109 (M.P. 12.86)	55/45, Min. 40

## RICHOND DISTRICT

## Prince George County

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460	From: To :	Summer County Line (M.P. 0.00) 0.68 ML <sub>4</sub> E. Route 618 (M.P. 2.25)	2.25	55/45, Min. 40	
		SUFFOLK DISTRICT			
		Accomack County			
13	Front To :	0.06 Mi. N. of Route 2305 (M.P. 2:10) 0.11 Mi. S. of Boute 2305 (M.P. 2:27)	0.17	45	
		Cities of Hampton and Hemport New	<b>5</b>		
1-64		0,20 Mi. E. of James City Co. Line (M.P. 0,20) 500' W. of the W.E. of Hempton Ck. Br.	19.68	65/50, Min. 40	
		(M.P. 19.88)  Lale of Wight and Southempton Count	·ies		
		Table of artist and described and account	100		
460	Liberi	0.08 Mi. E. of Tele of Wight-Southempton		EE/LE W- 10	
	<b>To</b> (	(M.P. 9.87 - Isle of Wight County) 0.05 Mi. B. of Route T-628	4.20	55/45, Min. 40	
	10 .	(M.F. 4.12 - Southempton County)			
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		James City County			
40		Routes 30 and 168-Y Int. (M.F. 20.12) James City-Hew Kent County Line (M.F. 25.		60/50, Min. 40	
	James City and York Counties				
168		1.29 Mi. H. of Houte 143 (M.P. 9.50) Route 168-Y Int. (M.P. 17.14)	7.54	60/50, Min. 40	
		James City County			
168-	From: To :	Routes 30 and 60 Int. (M.P. 0.00) Route 168 Int. (M.P. 1.06)	1.06	60/50, Min. 40	
		Isle of Wight County			
460		0.16 Mi. W. of Rte. 258 (M.P. 3.94) 1.07 Mi. W. of Route 645 (M.P. 9.30)	5,36	55/45, Min. 40	
Hensemond County					
13, 5 \$ 460	Fran: To :	City of Chesspeaks-Ransemond Co. Line (H.P. 0,00) 0.08 Mi. E. of Route 1801 (H.P. 3.92)	3.92	55/45, Min. 40	

## Primary System

## . SUPPOLE DISTRICT

## Management and Isle of Wight Counties

460	1	0.17 Mi. W. of Rte. 690 (Lida Avenue) (M.P. 8.82 - Manaemond County) 0.03 Mi. E. of Rte. T-1805 (M.F. 2.73 - Tale of Wight County)	8.38	55/45, Min. 40				
Northempton County								
13	Trout To :	0.03 Mi. H. of Route 183 (M.P. 0.92) 0.04 Mi. H. of Rte. T-1027 (M.F. 1.27)	0.35	25				
13		0.31 Ml. W. of Rte. 674 (M.P. 13.63) 0.51 Ml. S. of Rte. 646 (M.P. 27.76)	14.13	60/50, Mtn. 40				
Southempton and Susser Counties								
460		0.13 Mi. W. of Rte, T-616 (M.P. 4.45 - Southampton County) 0.31 Mi. E. of Rte. 31 (M.P. 1.87 - Susset	6.02 g County)	55/45, Mia. 40				
Sussex County								
139		0.07 Mi. E. of Boute T-1101 (M.P. 0.70) 0.07 Mi. W. of Boute T-1101 (M.P. 0.84)	0.14	25				
460		0.41 Mi. W. of Route 40 (M.P. 10.25) Prince George-Sussex Co. Lina (M.P. 16.76)	6.51 )	55/45, Min. 40				
460		0.60 ML. W. of Rts. 31 (M.P. 2.78) 0.19 ML. E. of Route 40 (M.P. 9.67)	6.89	55/45, Nia. 40				
FREDERICESBURG DISTRICT								
Cloucester County								
17	From: To :	0.17 Mi. N. of Tyndall Drive (M.P. 26.70) North End of Coleman Bridge (M.P. 27.74)	1.04	45				
STAURTON DISTRICT								
Rockbridge County								
11		0.46 Mi. S. of Route 710 (M.P. 6.27) 0.58 Mi. S. of S. Rte. 645 (M.P. 15.38)	9.11	60/50, Min. 40				
60	From: Fo :	0.33 M1. E. of W. Route 608 (M.P. 5,61) 1.07 H1. W. of W. Boute 608 (M.P. 7,01)	1.40	60/50				
Hockingham County								
11	fron:	0.18 Mi. N. of S. Int. Rte. 704 (M.P. 22.) 0.84 Mi. S. of N. Int. Rta. 704 (M.P. 23.)		60/50				

## Secondary System

### SUFFOLK DISTRICT

## Southempton County

649 Prom: Route 644 1.11 40 To : 0.11 Ni, W. of Route 678 Moved by Mr. McWane, Seconded by Mr. Fitzpatrick, that

WHEREAS, Route 40 in Charlotte County has been altered and reconstructed as shown on plans for Project 0040-019-102, C-501; and

WHEREAS, two sections of the old road are no longer necessary as a public road, the new road serving the same citizens as the old, and four sections of the old road are no longer necessary for purposes of the State Highway System;

NOW, THEREFORE, HE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 33-76.5 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, 0.28 mile of the old location of Routs 40, shown in blue and designated as Sections 2 and 6 on the plat dated December 13, 1965. Project 0040-019-102, C-501, be abandoned as a part of the State Highway System;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 38-76.1 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, 1.12 miles of the old location of Route 40, shown in yellow and designated as Sections 1,3, 4 and 5 on the plat and project referred to hereinabove, be discontinued as a part of the State Highway System.

MOTION CARRIED.

Judge Weaver reported the Policy Committee of the Commission, with the chairman of the Finance Committee sitting in on the discussions, had reviewed the operation of nurseries by the Department of Highways, and presented the following resolution.

Moved by Judge Weaver, Seconded by Mr. Landrith, that

WHEREAS, the Department has for a number of years operated nurseries in several of its districts for the purpose of growing materials for small plantings and for the replacement of dead plants; and

WHEREAS, this has been found to be a very satisfactory operation; and

WHEREAS, It is not the purpose of the Department to compete with commercial nurseries; and

WHEREAS, due to the emphasis now being placed on beautification more planting will be done by contract, which will result in more replacement needs; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Department should keep the nurseries it now operates in the Bristol, Salem and Suffolk Districts in an adequately stocked condition, keeping accurate cost records in order to determine the economic feasibility of this procedure.

#### MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Fugate made the following statement in regard to actions of the 1986 session of the General Assembly affecting the Highway Department:

"All of you have been in very close touch with the progress of the highway program through the General Assembly. It is superfluous to tell you that the program as proposed by Governor Harrison and Governor Godwin was adopted virtually intact by the General Assembly and that our 9-year program of highway improvements is thus assured of adequate financing, barring inflation or some other unforeseen condition which throws out the estimates on the program.

"The amount provided in additional highway funds for the biennium beginning July 1, 1966 is approximately the amount requested, \$53.4 Million, However, the split-up of funds is not even between the two years because one phase of the motor vehicle sales tax does not begin until September 1; secondly, because the legislature in the closing days needed some funds to balance the budget, they left the State Police on us for a few months, which cuts down the income in the first year of the biennium, but increases it in the second year. We will get approximately \$26 Million of additional funds the first year of the biennium, if the estimates are correct, and slightly more than \$37 Million the second year.

"Some items were added to the highway budget which have not been there heretofore: The General Fund has been supplying \$500,000 toward the Industrial Access Fund. This will no longer be the case. The entire 1.5 Million will come from the highway fund.

"Another item added to the highway budget is \$1.5 Million for construction of access roads to historic sites and recreational areas, in conjunction with the program to be administered by the Outdoor Recreation Commission.

"I think we can be very grateful for the confidence that has been shown in the Highway Commission by the action of the General Assembly in leaving distribution of the additional funds provided in 1966 to the Commission, the only requirement being that they be used to the best advantage in carrying out the objectives of the 9-year program. I think this is a trust we must accept with great care.

"The 9-year program shows that the revenue gaps between funds from present sources, which will continue to be allocated in accordance with existing formulas, and the needs, are

\$156	Million	48%	-	Primary – Arterial
\$ 93	Million	28%	-	Secondary System
<b>9</b> 79	Million	24%	_	Tirban System

It should be our objective to use the additional funds in approximately this ratio.

"I think the members of the General Assembly agree with the Highway Commission and the governor that by far the most important objective in the 9-year program is the completion of the Arterial Network and I expressed to the House Finance and Roads Committees and others in the General Assembly on numerous occasions what I believe to be the duty of the Commission — that emphasis should be given the Arterial Network in the beginning of this program until it catches up, and that in the latter part of the program the emphasis may shift to the secondary and urban, so that at the end the whole program will come out as envisioned in this report.

'I recommend to the Commission that the \$26 Million which will be available in additional funds this coming year he apportioned to the systems: \$18 Million to Primary - Arterial, \$4 Million to Secondary, and \$4 Million to Urban. This will enable us to apportion to the Arterial System \$50 Million for the year, which is the amount needed to keep the system on schedule. The secondary and urban systems will still be in good shape with this distribution of funds.

"I recommend that you adopt a resolution authorizing the engineers to use the funds in that fashion. They are getting ready to go over with you their recommendations — which you have followed all through the years — for tentative allocation of primary system funds and this is necessary in order that they know the amount that will be allocated to each."

Motion was made by Mr. Landrith that this recommendation be adopted. Motion was seconded by Mr. Holland and carried.

At this time the following resolutions were offered by Judge Weaver, and adopted by the Commission.

Moved by Judge Weaver, Seconded by Mr. Landrith, that

WHEREAS, His Excellency, Mills E. Godwin, Jr., Governor of Virginia, has given his complete support to the continued development of Virginia highways and to the Highway Commission's 1966-75 program of improvements; and

WHEREAS, he urged the 1966 General Assembly, in his address to the Members on January 17, 1966, to provide additional funds for the highway program; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly enacted legislation which will produce approximately \$64 million in additional revenue for highway construction during the 1966-68 biennium; and

WHEREAS, these funds will put development of the arterial network on schedule and provide additional improvements to the other primary, secondary and urban highways; and

WHEREAS, these improvements will contribute significantly to the cause of highway safety, and to the State's programs for industrial growth and tourism.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Highway Commission of Virginia expresses its profound gratitude to Governor Godwin, and pledges its constant efforts to continue the fullest development of highways in Virginia, and its strongest efforts to expend the additional funds made available by the General Assembly of Virginia, and all other highway funds, in the wisest possible manner.

Moved by Judge Weaver, Seconded by Mr. Holland, that

WHEREAS, Albertis S. Harrison, Jr., served the Commonwealth of Virginia as Governor for four years with distinction, dedication and great ability; and

WHEREAS, throughout his administration Governor Harrison recognized the need for and supported efforts toward continued development of Virginia's highway system; and

WHEREAS, his efforts were instrumental in establishment of the primary arterial network of highways and the obtaining of additional highway construction revenue at the 1964 session of the General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, in his final message to the 1966 General Assembly he reiterated the importance of meeting Virginia's highway needs, and declared that an adequate system of roads is indispensable to the continued growth and prosperity of the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, he recommended additional funds in an amount sufficient to permit the Highway Department to complete its nine - year program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Highway Commission of Virginia expresses its profound gratitude to Governor Harrison for his support of the cause of more modern, safer highways, and pledges as its goal the expenditure of every dollar of highway revenue for the greatest benefit of the citizens of Virginia.

Moved by Judge Weaver, Seconded by Mr. Holland, that

WHEREAS, the General Assembly of Virginia adjourned its 60 - day biennial session on March 12; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly, during its deliberations, enacted legislation which will provide approximately \$64 Million in additional revenue for highway construction during the 1966 - 68 biennium; and

WHEREAS, this amount will put development of Virginia's arterial network on schedule toward 1975 completion, and permit major improvements to the other primary, secondary and urban systems; and

WHEREAS, these improvements will represent important contributions to the cause of highway safety, and to development of Virginia's industrial and tourist resources.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Highway Commission of Virginia expresses its deepest gratitude to the members of the 1966 General Assembly, and pledges as its goal that every dollar of highway revenue shall be put to work during the coming biennium.

Moved by Judge Weaver, Seconded by Mr. Fitzpatrick, that

WHEREAS, Douglas B. Fugate is providing excellent, progressive leadership for the Virginia Department of Highways; and

WHEREAS, this leadership serves as an inspiration to the members of the Highway Commission, to the employees of the Department and to all persons associated with the highway program in the State; and

WHEREAS, he presented, with great ability, the needs of the highway program to the members of the 1966 General Assembly throughout 1965 and after they were in session in 1966; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly recognized these needs and provided approximately \$64 million in additional revenue for highway construction during the 1966-68 biennium.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Highway Commission of Virginia highly commends the leadership which Douglas B. Fugate has provided and is providing for the highway program, and acknowledges with deep admiration the planning and efforts he demonstrated so ably in obtaining additional funds for the continued development of Virginia highways.

Mr. Fugate reported that upon recommendation of the Outdoor Recreation Study Commission, the General Assembly adopted an act instructing the State Highway Commission to set up a revolving fund of \$1.5 Million from which would come the cost of access roads to historical sites and recreational areas designated as such and with the concurrence of the Outdoor Recreation Commission. He said this fund will be set up in the budget for the coming year, but until the Outdoor Recreation Commission begins to function it will not be possible to use any of it. At the proper time, he said, he will ask one of the committees to work with the Outdoor Recreation Commission in setting up suitable guidelines and standards for the administration of this fund. The fund is authorized from the primary and secondary road funds and urban fund.

Mr. Fugate said the VALC has been studying the urban highway problem for the last two years and did make certain recommendations, which were adopted by the 1966 General Assembly, which are rather minor in relation to the scope of the overall problem, but also a resolution was adopted to continue the study for another two years. He said he considered this now the greatest unsolved area facing the Highway Commission – what is going to be done with the urban areas involving the tremendous traffic problems, which are becoming increasingly worse in our urban areas.

Mr. Fugate said the Department has under way, as a part of the Federal - aid program, transportation studies in the six metropolitan areas of the state, these areas being defined as urban areas adjacent to cities of over 50,000 population. The results of these studies are not yet available.

The VALC, he thinks, will want to examine in depth the problems not only in these six urban areas but also in all of the cities and towns of over 3,500 population in the state. He said he committed the Highway Commission to undertake this study for the VALC, that they were rather specific that they would like this to be done with Highway Department organization rather than call in consultants to handle the overall study.

Mr. Fugate thought that in order to examine the problem in the depth necessary a highway plan for every town or city and metropolian area in the state would be required, and to that end there has been scheduled an increase of the Department planning hoard for this coming biennium in order to study all of these places and determine just what is needed on their streets and highways. He said he hoped this will have the approval of the Highway Commission because he thought this a great opportunity in partnership with the towns and cities and urban areas — which are not always confined to the limits of towns and cities — to study their transportation problems, find how they fit into the 9-year program, what the objective should be, and to report to the VALC so that they may report to the governor and legislature the complete problem which exists in the urban areas of the state.

Motion was made by Mr. Landrith, that the Commission express general approval of the metropolitan and urban area studies that will be undertaken by the Highway Department at the request of the VALC during the next biennium. Motion was seconded by Mr. Holland and carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Approved:

Chairman

Attested:

Secustary