

Minutes of the Meeting of the State Highway
Commission of Virginia, Held in
Richmond, May 26, 1953.

At 9:00 o'clock Tuesday morning, May 26, the Commission met in the Central Highway Building. There was present Messrs. E.P. Barrow, Geo. P. DeHardit, S. D. May, S. W. Rawls, J. F. Wycor and J.A. Anderson.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman.

On motion by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. May, the minutes of the meeting of May 11-13 were approved. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Wycor, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that the Commission approve the permits issued from May 11 to May 23 inclusive, as recorded in the Auditing Division. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. DeHardit, that the permits cancelled by the Commissioner from May 11 to May 23, inclusive, as authorized June 25, 1947, and recorded in the Auditing Division, be approved. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. DeHardit, seconded by Mr. Barrow, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 19 for the construction of Project 1301-04, Route 779, Contract 2, Int. Route 187 in Blaxom. 0.05 Mi. N. Int. Route 692 in Hallwood, Accomack County, to the low bidder, W. M. McIntosh, Inc., Richmond, Virginia, at the bid of \$8,546.15 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$9,400.00 chargeable to this project. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Barrow, seconded by Mr. Wycor, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 19 for the construction of Project 1314-05, Route 650, Contract 1, 0.051 Mi. E. Int. Route 15 (N. of Dillwyn)-0.089 Mi. W. Cumberland C. L., Buckingham County, to the low bidder, Bishop and Settle Construction Company, Lawrenceville, Virginia, at the bid of \$32,247.45, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$41,988.00 for work by State Forces, making a total of approximately \$77,450.00 chargeable to this project. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Myser, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 19 for the construction of Projects 1516-07; 1528-05, Routes 625 and 642, Contract 2, 0.068 Mi. N. Int. Route 637 (Passing)-Int. Route 641 (Supply P.O.), Caroline and Essex Counties, to the low bidder, Walter N. Webber, Lynchburg, Virginia, at the bid of \$9,819.07 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$10,800.00 chargeable to this project. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. May, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 19 for the construction of Project 1544-04-05, Route 622, 0.517 Mi. W. of W. End Bridge over Smith River-0.481 Mi. E. of E. End Bridge over Smith River, Henry County, to the low bidder, Bennett Construction Co., Inc., Salem, Virginia, at the bid of \$161,094.27 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$177,200.00 chargeable to this project. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. May, seconded by Mr. Barrow, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 19 for the construction of Projects 1548-05-06; 1596-09, Route 629, 0.088 Mi. N. of E. Int. Route 625 (Dickinson's Corner)-Int. Route 630 (Near Maple Grove), King George and Westmoreland Counties, to the low bidder, T. F. Franklin, Salem, Va., at the bid of \$58,455.79 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$62,100.00 chargeable to this project. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Barrow, seconded by Mr. DeHardit, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 19 for the construction of Project 1551-04-05, Routes 611 and 615, Int. Route 804 (N. of Merry Point)-0.497 Mi. N. of S. Terminus Route 611 (Near Corrotoman River) AND Int. Route 804 (S. of Richtown)-S. Terminus Route 813 (Iberis P.O.), Lancaster County, to the low bidder, T. F. Franklin, Salem, Virginia, at the bid of \$51,457.74 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$54,600.00 chargeable to this project. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. DeHardit, seconded by Mr. Barrow, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 19 for the construction of Project 1590-01-02, Route 607, Contract 2, 0.015 Mi. N. of Int. Route 801 (N. of Route 40)-Int. Route 611 (S. of Route 10) Near Cabin Point, Surry County, to the low bidder, Burton P. Short and Son, Petersburg, Virginia, at the bid of \$9,519.83 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$10,500.00 chargeable to this project. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Barrow, seconded by Mr. May, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 19 for the construction of Project 175B-26, Route 58, 3,785 Mi. W. of WCL Boynton-1,511 Mi. E. of ECL Clarksville, Mecklenburg County, to the low bidder, T. E. Brown, Charlotte, North Carolina, at the bid of \$422,504.60, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$8,619.00 for work by State Forces, making a total of approximately \$473,400.00 chargeable to this project. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. May, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 19 for the construction of Project 1909-09, Route 460, W.C.L. Bedford-2,816 Mi. W. of W.C.L. Bedford, Bedford County, to the low bidder, W. W. Tuck and Sons, Virginia, at the bid of \$392,016.97, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$350.00 for work by State Forces, making a total of \$420,848.55 less R/W (Cost of moving houses included in contract), making a total of approximately \$578,900.00 chargeable to this project. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Wycor, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 19 for the construction of Project 1992-11, Routes 19 and 460, 5,136 Mi. W. of WCL Tasewell-10,308 Mi. W. of WCL Tasewell, Tasewell County, to the low bidder, C. G. Poole, Inc., Raleigh, North Carolina, at the bid of \$510,513.63, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$14,775.00 for work by State Forces, making a total of approximately \$578,390.00 chargeable to this project. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Wycor, seconded by Mr. DeHardit, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 19 for the construction of Project 2015-01, Route 501, 0,097 Mi. S. Int. Route 24-0,442 Mi. S. Int. Route 24, Campbell County, to the low bidder, J. R. Ford Company, Inc., Lynchburg, Virginia, at the bid of \$56,226.85, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$155.00 for work by State Forces, making a total of approximately \$62,000.00 chargeable to this project. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. DeHardit, seconded by Mr. May, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 19 for the construction of Project 1743-71-72, Route 250, Widening Overpass and Approaches R.F. & P. R.B. on West Broad Street, City of Richmond, to the low bidder, E. F. Blankenship Co., Salem, Virginia, at the bid of \$86,252.50 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$94,900.00 chargeable to this project. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. May, seconded by Mr. Barrow, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 19 for the construction of Project 1643-05, Route 1, Contract 1, Laurel Street-Lombardy Street on Broad Street, City of Richmond, to the low bidder, Richmond Hauling and Excavating Company, Richmond, Virginia, at the bid of \$21,832.50 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$24,000.00 chargeable to this project. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Barrow, seconded by Mr. Wyszor, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 19 for the construction of Project 1643-05, Route 1, Contract 2, Laurel Street - Lombardy Street on Broad Street, City of Richmond, to the low bidder, Atlantic Bitulithic Company, Richmond, Virginia, at the bid of \$52,405.00 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$55,650.00 chargeable to this project. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Wyszor, seconded by Mr. DeHardit, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 19 for the construction of Project 1743-05, Route 250, Contract 1, Broad Street-Lombardy-Shoppard Street, City of Richmond, to the low bidder, Van Doren and Stencil, Richmond, Virginia, at the bid of \$41,886.00 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$46,100.00 chargeable to this project. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Wyszor, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 19 for the construction of Project 1743-05, Route 250, Contract 2, Broad Street-Lombardy Street-Shoppard Street, City of Richmond, to the low bidder, Atlantic Bitulithic Company, Richmond, Virginia, at the bid of \$68,120.00 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$74,950.00 chargeable to this project. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. May, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 19 for the construction of Project M-1682-04, Route 11, 7.735 Mi. N. of NCL Harrisonburg-4.235 Mi. N. of NCL Harrisonburg, Rockingham County, to the low bidder, Adams Construction Company, Roanoke, Virginia, at the bid of \$48,072.25, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$6,796.00 for work by State Forces, making a total of approximately \$54,200.00 chargeable to this project; additional \$4,200.00 required to be supplied from the Staunton District Reserve. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. May, seconded by Mr. Barrow, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 19 for the construction of Project 2790-02-05, Route 40, 0.90 Mi. N. Sussex-Surry County Line-1.734 Mi. N. Sussex-Surry County Line, Surry County, to the low bidder, James P. Dillard, Richmond, at the bid of \$81,665.90, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$1,451. for work by State Forces, making a total of approximately \$81,800.00 chargeable to this project; additional \$41,800.00 required to be supplied from the Suffolk District Reserve. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Wycor, seconded by Mr. DeHardit, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 19 for the construction of Project 2143-70, Route 60, 500 Ft. S. of Denny Street, Carlisle Avenue, (Government Road), City of Richmond, to the low bidder, Garrett Contracting Co., Inc., Richmond, Virginia, at the bid of \$49,618.90, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$228.08 for material furnished by City, making a total of approximately \$54,800.00 chargeable to this project; additional \$4,800.00 required to be supplied by \$2,400.00 from the Richmond District Reserve and \$2,400.00 from the City of Richmond. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. DeHardit, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 19 for Ferry Maintenance-Route 60 Port Monroe Toll Plaza Chesapeake Ferriss, to the low bidder, E. W. Muller, Newport News, Virginia, at the bid of \$2,860.00, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$4,954.40 for work by State Forces, making a total of approximately \$8,100.00 chargeable to this project. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Wycor, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 19 for Borings - Hampton Roads Crossing, Contract No. 1, Revenue Bond Act, to the low bidder, Raymond Concrete Pile Company, Washington, D. C., at the bid of \$119,600.00 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$141,560.00 chargeable to this project. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. DeHardit, seconded by Mr. Wycor, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 19 for Moving Gas Store and Service Station, Routes 3 and 201, Projects 5351-09; 6451-01, Lancaster County, to the low bidder, William B. Patram and Company, Richmond, Virginia, at the bid of \$2,750.00 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$3,050.00 chargeable to this work. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Wycor, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 19 for Moving Two Buildings, Route 501, Project 2041-10, Halifax County, to the low bidder, Grouch Brothers, Mooresville, North Carolina, at the bid of \$7,728.50 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$8,500.00 chargeable to this work. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Barrow, seconded by Mr. DeHardit, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 21 for Furnishing, Delivering and Applying Plant Mixed Bituminous Material Type H-2 and I-3, Salem District, Schedule 24-53, to the low bidder, Adams Construction Company, Roanoke, Virginia, at the bid of \$29,808.04, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$1,000.00 for work by State Forces, making a total of approximately \$33,900.00 chargeable to this work. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. DeHardit, seconded by Mr. May, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 21 for Furnishing, Delivering and Applying Plant Mixed Bituminous Material Type I-3, Salem District, Schedule 25-53, to the low bidder, Adams Construction Co., Roanoke, Virginia, at the bid of \$44,854.20, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$2,000.00 for work by State Forces, making a total of approximately \$50,800.00 chargeable to this work; additional \$800.00 required to be supplied from balance left from Schedule 24-53 in Salem District. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. May, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 21 for Furnishing, Delivering and Applying Plant Mixed Bituminous Material Type I-3, Salem District, Schedule 26-53, to the low bidder, Adams Construction Company, Roanoke, Virginia, at the bid of \$9,765.20 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$10,750.00 chargeable to this work. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Wycor, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 21 for Furnishing, Delivering and Applying Plant Mixed Bituminous Material Type I-3, Salem District, Schedule 27-53, to the low bidder, Adams Construction Company, Roanoke, Virginia, at the bid of \$63,081.20 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$69,350.00 chargeable to this work; additional \$16,350.00 required to be supplied from maintenance balance on Route 100 in Pulaski County. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Wycor, seconded by Mr. Barrow, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 21 for Furnishing, Delivering and Applying Plant Mixed Bituminous Material Type I-3, Lynchburg District, Schedule 31-53, to the low bidder, J. R. Ford Company, Inc., Lynchburg, Virginia, at the bid of \$24,475.00, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$2,500.00 for work by State Forces, making a total of approximately \$29,400.00 chargeable to this work. Motion carried.

red by Mr. Barrow, seconded by Mr. DeHardit, that the
award contract on bids received May 21 for Furnishing,
and Applying Plant Mixed Bituminous Material Type I-3 or
District, Schedule 33-53, to the low bidder, F.D. Cline
Co., Raleigh, North Carolina, at the bid of \$114,572.00,
additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering
and work, making a total of approximately \$135,800.00
chargeable to this work. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. DeHardit, seconded by Mr. May, that the Commission
REJECT bids received May 21 for Furnishing, Delivering and Applying
Plant Mixed Bituminous Material Type H-2 and I-3, Lynchburg District,
Schedule 32-53, the low bid being 10.8% over estimate. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. May, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that the Commission
REJECT bids received May 21 for Furnishing, Delivering and Applying
Plant Mixed Bituminous Material Type H-2 and I-3, Lynchburg District,
Schedule 34-53, the low bid being 15.9% over estimate. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Nysor, that the Commission
award contract on bids received May 21 for Furnishing, Delivering and
Applying Plant Mixed Bituminous Material Type F-1, Richmond District,
Schedule 44-53, to the low bidder, Atlantic Bitulithic Company,
Richmond, Virginia, at the bid of \$14,608.80 and that 10% additional be
set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making
a total of approximately \$16,060.00 chargeable to this work. Motion
Carried.

Moved by Mr. Nysor, seconded by Mr. Barrow, that the
Commission award contract on bids received May 21 for Furnishing,
Delivering and Applying Plant Mixed Bituminous Material Type F-1,
Richmond District, Schedule 45-53, to the low bidder, Asphalt Paving
Service, Inc., Richmond, Virginia, at the bid of \$24,744.48 and that
10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and
additional work, making a total of approximately \$27,200.00 chargeable
to this work. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Barrow, seconded by Mr. DeHardit, that the
Commission award contract on bids received May 21 for Furnishing,
Delivering and Applying Plant Mixed Bituminous Material Type F-1,
Richmond District, Schedule 46-53, to the low bidder, Asphalt Paving
Service, Inc., Richmond, Virginia, at the bid of \$37,325.23 and that
10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and
additional work, making a total of approximately \$41,050.00 chargeable
to this work. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. DeHardit, seconded by Mr. May, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 21 for Furnishing, Delivering and Applying Plant Mixed Bituminous Material Type F-1 or I-5, Richmond District, Schedules 47-53, to the low bidder, Atlantic Bitulithic Company, Richmond, Virginia, at the bid of \$56,459.60, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$3,500.00 for work by State Forces, making a total of approximately \$64,600.00 chargeable to this work. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. May, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 21 for Furnishing, Delivering and Applying Plant Mixed Bituminous Material Type F-1, Richmond District, Schedule 48-53, to the low bidder, Burton P. Short and Son, Petersburg, Virginia, at the bid of \$72,535.00, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$4,200.00 for work by State Forces, making a total of approximately \$84,000.00 chargeable to this work; additional \$4,000.00 required to be supplied from Richmond District Reserve; Balance from Schedule 47-53. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Wycor, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 21 for Furnishing, Delivering and Applying Plant Mixed Bituminous Material Type H-2 and F-1, Richmond District, Schedule 49-53, to the low bidder, Atlantic Bitulithic Co., Richmond, Virginia, at the bid of \$13,159.50 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$14,500.00 chargeable to this work. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Wycor, seconded by Mr. Barrow, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 21 for Furnishing, Delivering and Applying Plant Mixed Bituminous Material Type F-1, Suffolk District, Schedules 53-53, to the low bidder, Portsmouth Paving Company, Inc., Portsmouth, Virginia, at the bid of \$25,856.05 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$28,450.00 chargeable to this work. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Barrow, seconded by Mr. DeHardit, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 21 for Furnishing, Delivering and Applying Plant Mixed Bituminous Material Type I-5, Suffolk District, Schedule 54-53, to the low bidder, Portsmouth Paving Company, Inc., Portsmouth, Virginia, at the bid of \$45,321.00 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$49,850.00 chargeable to this work. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. DeHardit, seconded by Mr. May, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 21 for Furnishing, Delivering and Applying Plant Mixed Bituminous Material Type F-1, Suffolk District, Schedule 53-55, to the low bidder, Burton F. Short and Son, Petersburg, Virginia, at the bid of \$22,297.80, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$2,000.00 for work by State Forces, making a total of approximately \$26,550.00 chargeable to this work. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. May, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 21 for Furnishing, Delivering and Applying Plant Mixed Bituminous Material Type F-1, Fredericksburg District, Schedule 51-53, to the low bidder, J. R. Ford Company, Inc., Lynchburg, Virginia, at the bid of \$11,061.10 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$12,200.00 chargeable to this work. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Wycor, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 21 for Furnishing, Delivering and Applying Plant Mixed Bituminous Material Type F-1, Fredericksburg District, Schedule 52-53, to the low bidder, American Asphalt Products Co., Washington, D. C., at the bid of \$26,915.20, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$800.00 for work by State Forces, making a total of approximately \$30,500.00 chargeable to this work; additional \$500.00 required to be secured from Fredericksburg District Reserve; Balance - Schedule 52-53. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Wycor, seconded by Mr. Barrow, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 21 for Furnishing, Delivering and Applying Plant Mixed Bituminous Material Type F-1, Fredericksburg District, Schedule 53-55, to the low bidder, J. R. Ford Company, Inc., Lynchburg, Virginia, at the bid of \$49,111.00 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$54,000.00 chargeable to this work. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Barrow, seconded by Mr. DeHardit, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 21 for Furnishing, Delivering and Applying Plant Mixed Bituminous Material Type F-1, Fredericksburg District, Schedule 54-55, to the low bidder, J. R. Ford Company, Inc., Lynchburg, Virginia, at the bid of \$4,970.50 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$4,500.00 chargeable to this work. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. DeHardit, seconded by Mr. May, that the Commission REJECT bids received May 21 for Furnishing, Delivering and Applying Plant Mixed Bituminous Material Type F-1, Fredericksburg District, Schedule 55-55, the low bid being 10.6% over estimate. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. May, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 21 for Furnishing, Delivering and Applying Plant Mixed Bituminous Material Type F-1, Fredericksburg District, Schedule 66-53, to the low bidder, American Asphalt Products Co., Washington, D. C., at the bid of \$36,800.00, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$2,000.00 for work by State Forces, making a total of approximately \$40,700.00 chargeable to this work. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Wycor, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 21 for Furnishing, Delivering and Applying Plant Mixed Bituminous Material Type F-1 and H-2, Fredericksburg District, Schedule 67-53, to the low bidder, Atlantic Bitulithic Company, Richmond, Virginia, at the bid of \$48,701.40, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$1,600.00 for work by State Forces, making a total of approximately \$55,200.00 chargeable to this work. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Wycor, seconded by Mr. Barrow, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 21 for Furnishing, Delivering and Applying Plant Mixed Bituminous Material Type H-2, I-3 or F-1, Culpeper District, Schedule 76-53, to the low bidder, S. L. Williamson Co., Inc., Charlottesville, Virginia, at the bid of \$111,955.25 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$123,150.00 chargeable to this work. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Barrow, seconded by Mr. DeHardit, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 21 for Furnishing, Delivering and Applying Plant Mixed Bituminous Material Type I-3 or F-1, H-2, Culpeper District, Schedule 74-53, to the low bidder, Newton Asphalt Company, Inc., Alexandria, Virginia, at the bid of \$29,929.20, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$2,000.00 for work by State Forces, making a total of approximately \$34,900.00 chargeable to this work. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. DeHardit, seconded by Mr. May, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 21 for Furnishing, Delivering and Applying Plant Mixed Bituminous Material Type H-2 and I-3, Culpeper District, Schedule 75-53, to the low bidder, S. L. Williamson Co., Inc., Charlottesville, Virginia, at the bid of \$40,671.80 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$44,750.00 chargeable to this work. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. May, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 21 for Furnishing, Delivering and Applying Plant Mixed Bituminous Material Type H-2 and F-1, Culpeper District, Schedule 76-53, to the low bidder, Newton Asphalt Company, Inc., Alexandria, Virginia, at the bid of \$5,032.05 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$5,550.00 chargeable to this work. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Wycor, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 21 for Furnishing, Delivering and Applying Plant Mixed Bituminous Material Type H-2 and I-3, Staunton District, Schedule 81-53, to the low bidder, Blue Ridge Asphalt Paving Co., Inc., Winchester, Virginia, at the bid of \$42,515.50 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$46,550.00 chargeable to this work. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Wycor, seconded by Mr. Barrow, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 21 for Furnishing, Delivering and Applying Plant Mixed Bituminous Material Type I-3, Staunton District, Schedule 84-53, to the low bidder, Blue Ridge Asphalt Paving Co., Inc., Winchester, Virginia, at the bid of \$27,162.95, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$2,000.00 for work by State Forces, making a total of approximately \$31,900.00 chargeable to this work; additional \$600.00 required to be supplied from the Staunton District Reserve. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Barrow, seconded by Mr. DeHardit, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 21 for Furnishing, Delivering and Applying Plant Mixed Bituminous Material Type I-3, Staunton District, Schedule 85-53, to the low bidder, Blue Ridge Asphalt Paving Co., Inc., Winchester, Virginia, at the bid of \$26,267.00, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$1,000.00 for work by State Forces, making a total of approximately \$29,900.00 chargeable to this work; additional \$600.00 required to be supplied from the Staunton District Reserve. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. DeHardit, seconded by Mr. May, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 21 for Furnishing, Delivering and Applying Plant Mixed Bituminous Material Type I-3, Staunton District, Schedule 86-53, to the low bidder, Blue Ridge Asphalt Paving Co., Inc., Winchester, Virginia, at the bid of \$34,998.16, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$2,750.00 for work by State Forces, making a total of approximately \$41,150.00 chargeable to this work; additional \$3,150.00 required to be supplied from the Staunton District Reserve; balance Schedule 89-53. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. May, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 21 for Furnishing, Delivering and Applying Plant Mixed Bituminous Material Type H-2 and I-3, Staunton District, Schedule 89-53, to the low bidder, Adams Construction Co., Roanoke, Virginia, at the bid of \$32,272.70, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$2,000.00 for work by State Forces, making a total of approximately \$37,500.00 chargeable to this work. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Wycor, seconded by Mr. Barrow, that the Commission award contract on bids received May 21 for Furnishing, Delivering and Applying Plant Mixed Bituminous Material Type H-2 and I-5, Staunton District, Schedule 89-53, to the low bidder, Adams Construction Co., Roanoke, Virginia, at the bid of \$28,822.82, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$1,000.00 for work by State Forces, making a total of approximately \$29,950.00 chargeable to this work. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Wycor, that the Commission REJECT bids received May 21 for Furnishing, Delivering and Applying Plant Mixed Bituminous Material Type H-2 and I-5, Staunton District, Schedule 87-53, the low bid being 12.5% over estimate. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Wycor, that the Commission confirm award of contract to Parsons, Brinckerhoff, Hall and Macdonald on their proposal dated May 15, for furnishing engineering services on the Hampton Road Tunnel-Bridge Project, as follows:

Stage 1 -	\$	166,000.00
Stage 2 -		1,010,000.00
Stage 3 -		<u>980,000.00</u>
		\$2,096,000.00 Total;

Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Wycor, seconded by Mr. Rawls; that as provided under Article 6.1, Section 53-76.5 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, Amended, and upon recommendation of the Commissioner, the following sections of old Route 40 in Patrick County being no longer necessary for uses as a highway they be abandoned to the extent of alterations; Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11, shown on plat dated April 7, 1953, Project 1403-H-2. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Barrow, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that as provided under Article 6.1, Section 76.5 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, Amended, and upon recommendation of the Commissioner, the following sections of old Route 55 in Warren County being no longer necessary for uses as a highway they be abandoned to the extent of alteration; Sections 1, 2 and 3 shown on plat dated April 16, 1953, Project 416-D. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Nay, that as provided under Article 6.1, Section 53-76.1 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, Amended, and upon recommendation of the Commissioner, the following sections of old Route 311 in Roanoke County being no longer necessary for uses as a highway they be discontinued as a part of the Primary System, new sections having been opened in lieu thereof; Sections 1, 2 and 3 shown on plat dated October 15, 1952, Project 2880-04. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. May, seconded by Mr. DeHardit, that as provided under Article 6, 1, Section 55-78.5 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, Amended, and upon recommendation of the Commissioner, the following sections of old Route 501 in Bedford County being no longer necessary for uses as a highway they be abandoned to the extent of alteration; Sections 1 and 2 shown on plat dated July 24, 1952, Project 2002-03-04. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Hysor, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that whereas, under authority of Section 55-115.2 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, Amended, request is made by the City of Roanoke for payment at the basic rate of \$500 per mile annually on additional streets constructed to meet the required standards; Now, therefore, be it resolved, that quarterly payments at the basic rate of \$500 per mile annually be made to the City of Roanoke on additional streets totaling 4.46 miles, effective beginning the fourth quarter, April 1, 1953. Motion carried.

WHEREAS, the State Highway Commission has heretofore adopted a resolution authorizing the issuance of \$18,000,000 State of Virginia Toll Revenue Bonds (Series of 1949) and the execution and delivery of a Trust Indenture securing said bonds, and whereas, in accordance with provisions included in Section 504 of said Trust Indenture, a budget for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1953, was adopted by the State Highway Commission on August 26, 1952; and whereas, said budget for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1953, was amended by resolution by the State Highway Commission on March 24, 1953, to provide that effective January 1, 1953, monthly deposits to the Reserve Maintenance Funds should be as follows;

\$25,000 per month for Chesapeake Ferries-Reserve Maintenance
\$40,000 per month for Toll Bridges - Reserve Maintenance

and whereas, preliminary studies of the structural repairs required in the bridges of the James River System have shown that present monthly deposits to the Toll Bridges-Reserve Maintenance Fund are not sufficient to provide necessary funds for the needed repairs; now, therefore be it resolved by the State Highway Commission that the annual budget for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1953, be further amended to the effect that provisions for Reserve Maintenance funds read as follows:

\$ 25,000 per month for Chesapeake Ferries
\$150,000 per month for Toll Bridges

to be effective April 1, 1953, as recommended by the Consulting Engineers May 1, 1953.

Approved by the Highway Commission this 26th day of May, 1953.

WHEREAS, a section of Route 220, in Bath County, was relocated and constructed in accordance with Sheet 10 of plans for Project 382-A4, approved June 7, 1940, revised and approved December 24, 1940, on a portion of the then existing right of way and location, the fee underlying which was said to be owned, or at one time owned, by Virginia Hot Springs, Inc., and on right of way acquired from R. H. Hodge and wife by deed dated December 8, 1941, and recorded in the Clerk's Office of said County, in Deed Book 49, Page 482; and whereas, the project right of way as shown on said Sheet 10 does not include a triangular portion of the said then existing right of way, containing approximately 0.47 acre, lying along the southeasterly side between points opposite the project centerline at Station 100+00 and Station 106+15, approximately, which portion, or a part thereof, was heretofore claimed to be owned by the said R. H. Hodge; and whereas, Virginia Hot Springs, Inc., was the previous owner of the lands abutting upon the southeast side of said triangular portion, and released and quitclaimed the said lands to Bath County School Board by deed dated March 9, 1953, to be recorded in said Clerk's office contemporaneously with the deed authorized to be executed in the name of the Commonwealth pursuant to this resolution, and with deed of release and quitclaim dated December 8, 1952, from the said R. H. Hodge and wife to Bath County School Board; the said deeds dated March 9, 1953, and December 8, 1952, being in the possession of Honorable Duncan M. Byrd, Attorney, Warm Springs, Virginia, to whom the said deed from the Commonwealth is to be delivered; and whereas, the Bath County School Board has requested that the Commonwealth release and quitclaim to it any and all right, title and interest which she may have in and to the said triangular portion, and the State Highway Commissioner has certified in writing that the existing location of Route 220 abutting thereupon serves the same citizens as the old location and that the said triangular portion is no longer needed for the uses of the State Highway System nor for highway or purposes incidental thereto; now, therefore, as provided for by Section 53-76.5 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, the said triangular portion of the old location of Route 220, containing approximately 0.47 acre, is hereby abandoned; and, it being the desire of the State Highway Commission to cooperate with the Bath County School Board which has heretofore donated and conveyed highway or road rights of way to the Commonwealth in several cases, that as provided for by Section 53-76.6 of the said Code, Amended, the release and quitclaim of the said triangular portion abandoned to Bath County School Board is hereby approved and the State Highway Commissioner is authorized to execute and deliver a deed accordingly.

WHEREAS, in connection with the relocation and construction of the new Staunton District Headquarters facilities, by deed dated April 21, 1949, recorded in the Clerk's Office of Augusta County, in Deed Book 389, Page 128, Lena M. Swartz, widow, conveyed to the Commonwealth of Virginia a certain tract of land described as containing 21.77 acres, more or less, and assigned, dedicated, transferred and set apart a certain strip or parcel of land described as containing 0.41 acre, more or less, as a roadway for general public use (to provide access between the said tract of land, the remaining lands of Mrs. Swartz, and Route 11), which assigned, etc., strip or parcel of land

was accepted by the Commonwealth as an easement and right of way for road purposes; the said tract of land and the said strip or parcel of land being shown on plat R/W File #414, a photo copy of which is annexed to the said deed as a part thereof; and whereas, P. W. Moore is now the owner of the former lands of Mrs. Swartz which abut upon the land conveyed by her to the Commonwealth and upon the land by her assigned, etc., as a roadway for general public use; and whereas, the construction of the new District Headquarters facilities was commenced some months ago and it was determined by the Department of Highways that it would be more practicable to locate and construct the access roadway upon a portion of the said tract of land, approximately parallel to and just northeast of the said strip or parcel of land assigned, etc., and the change in the location of said access roadway, as shown on said plat, revised 3/19/58, was agreed to by Mr. Moore and the same has been constructed accordingly and provides a means of access between his lands and Route 11; and whereas, Mr. Moore desires to acquire all of the right, title and interest of the Commonwealth in and to the said strip or parcel of land, containing 0.41 acre, more or less, together with that portion of the said tract of land, containing 21.77 acres, more or less, which lies between the said strip or parcel of land and the southerly line of the right of way of the said access roadway as now constructed, which portion contains 0.88 acre of land, more or less, provided that the Commonwealth will dedicate or cause to be set apart, the said access roadway as constructed for general public use; and subject to such provision, Mr. Moore has offered to pay at the rate of \$250.00 per acre for the 1.24 acres of land, more or less, above described, being the same rate per acre which the Commonwealth paid Mrs. Swartz for the said 21.77 acres, more or less, of land; and whereas, in view of the premises, the State Highway Commission is of the opinion that the offer made by Mr. Moore is reasonable and should be accepted; and the State Highway Commissioner has certified in writing that it is no longer necessary for the uses of the State Highway System nor for road or highway purposes or incidental thereto, for the Commonwealth to retain any right, title or interest in and to the two pieces of land, containing 1.24 acres, more or less, as above described, and has recommended that the same be sold to Mr. Moore in accordance with his offer; now, therefore, as provided for by Section 33-76.8 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, the release and quitclaim, and the conveyance with special warranty of title, respectively, of the said strip or parcel of land containing 0.41 acre, more or less, and the said portion of land containing 0.88 acre, more or less, to Mr. Moore for the sum of \$510.00, is hereby approved and the State Highway Commissioner is authorized to execute a deed accordingly provided, however, that this deed shall be in two counterparts and both executed by Mr. Moore and his wife, if married, and such other party or parties, if any, as may have any interest in the premises, for the purpose of showing the covenant and agreement by and between the parties to the deed as to the abandonment of the assignment, etc., of the said strip or parcel of land containing 0.41 acre, more or less, as a roadway for general public use, and in lieu thereof, the approval and acceptance of the access roadway as now constructed and shown on said plat, revised 3/19/58.

WHEREAS, in connection with a section of Route 258, old Route 259, Project 1298-A1, formerly in Elizabeth City County, now in the City of Hampton, the Commonwealth acquired certain lands from Phillip W. Murray, et ux and R. Cowles Taylor, widower, by deed dated February 25, 1942, which was recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of said County in Deed Book 110 at Page 199, and whereas, the said lands included a triangular parcel, shown on Project Plan Sheet 4, upon the westerly portion of which a connection between former Route 259 and former Route 615 was constructed; and whereas, the remaining lands formerly owned by the said Phillip W. Murray and R. Cowles Taylor which abut upon the east and south sides of said triangular parcel are now owned by another party or other parties who desire to acquire that portion of the said triangular parcel abutting upon the east line of the right of way to be retained for said connection, at all points 30 feet from the centerline thereof; and the State Highway Commissioner has certified in writing that it is no longer necessary for the uses of the State Highway System nor for highway or purposes incidental thereto to retain the portion of said triangular parcel lying outside of the said east right of way line, and has recommended that this portion be conveyed to the owner or owners of the lands abutting upon the east and south sides thereof; now, therefore, as provided for by Section 35-76.6 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, the release and quitclaim of that portion of the said triangular parcel lying outside of the south line of the 150-foot right of way of Route 258 and outside of the said east line of the right of way of said connection, to the owner or owners of the lands abutting upon the same by a deed of release and quitclaim, for such consideration as may be deemed proper by the State Highway Commissioner, is hereby approved and the said Commissioner is hereby authorized to execute and deliver a deed accordingly.

WHEREAS, in connection with Fairfax Drive, Route 257, Project 1419-A, in Arlington County, David M. Gaines and his wife conveyed to the Commonwealth the project 80-foot fee right of way, together with an easement upon certain land adjacent thereto, and along the northerly side of their Lots 54, 55 and 58, Block 1 of Letterner's Addition to Clarendon Sub-Division, by deed dated March 4, 1949, and recorded in the Clerk's Office of said County in Deed Book 872, Page 147; to which deed is annexed as a part thereof, a photo copy of Right of Way Plan 6 R/W, on which the lands conveyed in fee and easement are shown enclosed by red and green lines, respectively, and whereas, the said Right of Way Plan 6 R/W shows the two story dwelling, now a dwelling and store, belonging to Mr. Gaines, as not being within or upon the said fee right of way or the easement land adjacent thereto; and whereas, it has been found by survey that the northerly side of said dwelling and store is situated upon the major portion of said easement land and upon a few inches, but less than 1-foot, of the said fee right of way; and whereas, the construction of said project has been completed, and the State Highway Commission is of the opinion, since the plans used in right of way negotiations and upon which the said conveyance to the Commonwealth is referenced are in error, as to the location of the dwelling and store, that the portions of said easement land and fee right of way now occupied by the said dwelling and store should be released and reconveyed by the Commonwealth to Mr. Gaines; and the State Highway Commissioner has

certified in writing that the said portions so occupied are no longer necessary for the uses of the State Highway System nor for highway or purposes incidental thereto; now, therefore, as provided for by Section 33-76.6 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, the release and reconveyance of the said portions of easement land and fee right of way occupied by the said dwelling and store, with special warranty of title, to the said David H. Gaines, or to his nominee or nominees, is hereby approved and the State Highway Commissioner is hereby authorized to execute and deliver a deed accordingly.

WHEREAS, in connection with Route 91, Project 4486-03, in Smyth County, the Commonwealth acquired certain lands, including a residue parcel, from Anne Gray Judkins and her husband, and from J. E. Clark, et al, by deeds dated September 9, 1952 and August 15, 1952, respectively, and recorded in the Clerk's office of said County in Deed Book 117, Page 883, and Deed Book 119, Page 87, respectively; and whereas, the said residue parcel was acquired from the said Anne Gray Judkins and her husband and abuts upon the north and east sides of the remaining lands of the said J. E. Clark, et al, who have offered the sum of \$50.00 for the same, said to contain approximately 0.10 acre of land, and shown on Project Plan Sheet 4 and Plat R/W File #557; and the State Highway Commissioner has certified in writing that this residue parcel is not necessary to be retained for the uses of the State Highway System nor for highway or purposes incidental thereto, and has recommended that the same be conveyed to the said J. E. Clark, et al; now, therefore, as provided for by Section 33-76.6 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, the conveyance of the said residue parcel of land to J. E. Clark, et al, or to the owner or owners of the lands abutting upon the south and west sides thereof, with special warranty of title, for a consideration of \$50.00, is hereby approved and the State Highway Commissioner is authorized to execute and deliver a deed accordingly.

Letter to General J. A. Anderson, State Highway Commissioner, dated May 21, 1958, from J. C. Morris, City Manager, City of Warwick, concerning a portion of former Route 174, located in the City of Warwick, together with Stipulation for the dismissal of this portion of road from the condemnation proceedings pending in the United States District Court at Norfolk, was considered; and the Chairman of the Commission was authorized to execute the Stipulation and return it to J. C. Morris, City Manager, with appropriate reply to his letter.

A resolution of May 20, 1958, adopted by the Surry County Board of Supervisors, requesting the construction of a bridge over the James River from Scotland to Jamestown previous to the 1957 Jamestown Celebration, was read to the Commission; together with the copy of a letter of May 22 to Mr. S. B. Barham, Jr., the Clerk of the County. The Commissioner advised in his letter that it would be many years before a new structure would be financially feasible.

An editorial "No Private Toll Roads", from the Engineering News-Record of May 21, 1958, was read to the Commission.

A letter of May 22 from Mr. Watkins, and a letter of May 28 from Mr. Nelson's secretary, were read to the Commission; each expressing regret at not being able to be present, Mr. Rogers having telephoned his regrets.

The following telegram was dispatched to the three absent members of the Commission, Messrs. Nelson, Rogers and Watkins: "Your colleagues on the Commission miss you. All of us wish for you full and speedy recovery. Warmest regards and best wishes".

Mr. Burton Marye, Jr., gave the Commission an outline of the progress of the VALC Committee. He stated that the report of the sub-committee on roadside development and the trucking industry, of which sub-committee he is a member, is now being prepared. Further, that the Metropolitan Washington study is moving along well, as is the study of the secondary roads in the two counties not in the secondary system and the continued use of convicts.

The Commissioner suggested a two day meeting of the Commission. It was decided to hold an executive session in the Central Highway Office Building in Richmond, Tuesday morning, July the 28; that after lunch the Commission proceed to Skyline Drive for the 29 and 30.

A verbal report was given on the personnel situation. Thanks to Mr. Ellison and the Governor, the hourly labor situation is in better shape at present than it has been for quite a long period.

The Commission was advised of the excellent meeting of the Department's engineers at Natural Bridge May 14-15, it being the best yet; interest and enthusiasm exceeding all expectations.

The Chairman reported on the condition of Chief Engineer Mullen, and dispatched a letter to Mr. Mullen expressing the best wishes of the Commission for his early and complete recovery.

On motion by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. DeHardit, Mr. May was requested to accompany Messrs. Anderson, Marye and Bowles on a trip to Bluefield, West Virginia, June 10 and 11. A meeting in Bluefield is scheduled with the West Virginia Turnpike Commission. Motion carried.

At 9:30 A.M. a delegation of Richmond City Officials appeared before the Commission - included in which were Messrs. Sherwood Reeder, City Manager; J. Elliott Drinard, City Attorney and Randolph Church, F. Henry Garber, Harold H. Derwishian, Phil Bagley and Thomas P. Bryan, members of the City Council. The case of the City was presented by Mr. Drinard and Mr. Reeder, the other members of the delegation being in full accord. The erection of the Carillon, the conveyance of the Ford lot and its reconveyance - the improvement of the road to the Deep Water Terminal were the points stressed. It was stated that the State was morally obligated to build the three miles of the Ninth Street Road.

Mr. Reeder stated that because of the industrial development in the area in question and this stretch of road being a part of what would make up a leg of the proposed expressway, that it was imperative the State complete the section that had since been taken into the City of Richmond, during the annexation of territory from the county.

The Commission's Chairman, J. A. Anderson, advised the delegation that the request having been made anew that the Commission would consider the problem anew and that the Commission would reach a decision as soon as practical.

After due consideration of the city's request the Commission had prepared and sent to the City Manager of Richmond the following letter -

The State Highway Commission has given the most careful consideration to the request of the City of Richmond to reconstruction of the Deep Water Terminal road for a distance of 5,088 miles. It is not unmindful of the provisions of Chapter 282 of the 1942 Acts of the General Assembly wherein it is provided as follows;

"...That the State Highway Commission be and it is hereby authorized to complete the construction of State Highway number three hundred and thirty-six, if, in its discretion, it seems proper so to do, and to pay the cost thereof out of such funds coming into its hands as it may allocate for the purpose."

The Commission has studied the prior correspondence in reference to this matter, has considered the traffic now carried by the Deep Water Terminal road, the traffic carried by other routes in the Richmond Construction District, other needs in the Richmond District, and the proposed improvements to the Petersburg Turnpike paralleling the Deep Water Terminal road.

Traffic studies conducted by this Department in April showed that between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M., the Deep Water Terminal road carried a total of 2,300 vehicles at a point just south of the divided section, and approximately 1,600 vehicles just north of Bells road. The highest of these volumes is still far below that justifying the construction of a four-lane highway.

As you know, several comprehensive engineering studies have been conducted during the past several years, the purpose of which was to furnish data from which a sound decision could be reached as to the best means of alleviating the aggravating traffic problem in the Richmond-Petersburg area. None of the major recommendations resulting from any of these comprehensive studies have proved acceptable.

The Commission has now employed nationally recognized traffic engineers to study the feasibility of a toll road in the Richmond-Petersburg area. This study is now underway. The Commission does not know what facts this study will reveal, nor does it know what action, if any, may be taken upon such suggestions or recommendations as may result from the study. It is quite certain that if another North-South road in the Richmond-Petersburg area is built, its construction will influence to a marked degree, present and future traffic in the Richmond-Petersburg area, including the traffic on Route 1 and the potential traffic which might use the Deep Water Terminal road. Under these circumstances, the Commission does not believe it wise to allocate money for the further improvement of the Deep Water Terminal road.

The Commission is reluctant to deny the request made by the City of Richmond, and this is particularly true in view of the Act herein referred to. However, the Commission for the foregoing reasons feels amply justified in exercising the discretion conferred upon it by the General Assembly and respectfully advises that it does not deem it proper to allocate badly needed construction funds for this project."

A hearing was given at 10:00 o'clock on the relocation of Route 60, Clifton Forge-West. The Chairman advised those present that the hearing was being given at their request. Mr. H. Ray Webber, in representing the Board of Supervisors and presenting the matter, asked for clarification of authority of the Board over the subject. The Chairman advised that the law provided for the division of the State into not less than eight construction districts; that the funds be allocated equitably among the districts (there being eight); that after the tentative allocations were set up public hearings be held at which public officials and interested citizens could be heard. Further, that after such hearings the Commission shall make its permanent allocations; the statements were made with deference to all Boards of Supervisors, the cities, towns, etc. That the Primary System is set up on a State basis rather than a county basis and that while the Commission is delighted to hear from the local citizens it has a duty which it cannot escape; it cannot leave the locations and allocations to anyone. It must make the decisions itself.

Mr. Webber introduced Mr. Jack Kimberlin and Mr. C.H. Zetmeyer, who presented aerial photos, maps, etc. showing the line proposed by the local residents. Among those present and speaking were Senator J. C. Carpenter, Delegate M. M. Collins, Messrs. Aubrey Hostotter of Selma; Norman Scott, President of the Clifton Forge Chamber of Commerce and the Retail Merchants Association; Mr. Frank Wheeler; Dr. G. S. Hartley,

Clifton Forge, Mr. C. T. Malone, Miss Eva Tatum, Mrs. G. C. Watson, Jr., and Peter A. Heavis. Miss Tatum read a letter from Dr. J. M. Summitt.

Mr. Burton Marye, Jr., briefed the Commission on the location of Route 80 from Clifton Forge to Covington, with a large scale map to show the proposed lines as advocated and the location recommended by the Department's engineers.

After careful consideration and full discussion, it was moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Wyszor, that the "red" line shown on the map, being the line north of the railroad and recommended for the location, be approved. Motion carried.

A hearing scheduled for 11:00 o'clock today for the Town of Victoria did not materialize. A resolution of May 28, 1953, adopted by the Town Council was read to the Commission by Mr. Barrow. This resolution referred to the intersection of Eighth and Main Streets in the Town where Routes 40 and 49 converge on the north side of the Virginian Railway Company tracks and requested the replacement of the existing structure, thereby eliminating the hazardous existing structure.

A delegation appeared before the Commission at 11:30 A.M. in the interest of the "Historyland Highways", requesting the naming of Routes 5 and 17, and a tie-in with the toll facilities. Mr. L. E. Westmoreland, President of the Historyland Highways Association, Montross, Virginia, spoke in the interest of the proposed highway and introduced Hon. Charles F. Umrah who in turn introduced the speakers. Hon. W. Taylor Murphy of Warsaw, stated that the naming of the highways would tend to relieve the traffic situation on Routes 1 and 501; that from an economical standpoint the area involved needed to develop the tourist trade and other traffic; that it would be beneficial to the State as a whole; that 20,000 maps had been prepared for distribution to advertise the proposed highway.

In the delegation were Messrs. Ashby Carver of Montross; E. Walter Harvey, Mayor of Kilmarnock; George Noble of Kilmarnock; Chas. H. Beck, President and Warren Farmer, Secretary, Fredericksburg Chamber of Commerce; T. R. Jackson, Treasurer of Westmoreland County; C. O. White, owner of Colonial Motor Courts, south of Portsmouth; Phil Huff, Superintendent of Wakefield. A delegation from Colonial Beach was present; Mr. Beverly of Colonial Williamsburg; Mrs. H.H. Smith, National Secretary of Kenmore Estate; Mr. Edwards, Fredericksburg City Council; Mr. Huff, Williamsburg Chamber of Commerce; Colonel Cooper D. Winn, Jr., of Stratford; Mr. J. T. Robertson, Mayor of Montross; Mr. Eddie Rutt, former member of the Westmoreland Board, and a number of others, many of whom spoke in the interest of the request.

It was moved by Mr. DeHardit, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, citizens residing in the area served by Routes 17 and 3, east and south of Fredericksburg, have formed the Historyland Highway Association, and whereas, the citizens, clubs, and groups in this area are requesting that Routes 17 and 3 be designated as "Historyland Highways", now therefore, be it resolved, that U.S. Route 17 between Fredericksburg and the North Carolina Line and State Route 3 between Fredericksburg and White Stone be designated as "Historyland Highways", and, furthermore, that authority be given to designate these routes by special signs designed and marked with the wording "Historyland Highway" with a symbol of a rifle and a tri-cornered hat, representing the Colonial Period. The size and design of these shall be as may hereafter be approved by the Commissioner. Motion carried.

There being no further business, the Commission adjourned for lunch at 12:15 P. M.

Approved-


Chairman

Attested-


Secretary.