

**Minutes of Meeting of the State Highway Commission
of Virginia, Held in Richmond
September 4th and 5th, 1957.**

At 8:50 Wednesday morning, September 4th, the following members of the State Highway Commission met at the Central Office Building: Messrs. J. A. Anderson, E. P. Barrow, G. Wallace Carper, S. S. Flythe, Burgess E. Nelson, S. W. Rawls, Tucker C. Watkins, Jr., and Ma. A. Wright. They left by automobile for an inspection trip over the Hampton Roads Bridge-Tunnel Project, returning to Richmond late in the afternoon. The Commission was accompanied by Messrs. Davis, Glidden and Fugate.

At 9:00 A.M. Thursday, September 5th, the Commission met in the Commission room, all Members being present.

Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Senator Nelson, that the minutes of the meeting of August 8, 1957, be approved. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Watkins, seconded by Mr. Barrow, that the Commission approve the permits issued from August 8 to September 5, inclusive, as recorded in the Auditing Division. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Watkins, that the permits cancelled from August 8 to September 5, inclusive, be approved, as authorized June 25, 1947, and recorded in the Department's records. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Watkins, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received August 21 for the construction of Project 1584-12, Contract No. 1, Route 50, 3.555 Miles W. of WCL Winchester-1.192 Miles W. of WCL Winchester, Frederick County, to the low bidder, Talbott-Marks Co., Inc., Clarksville, Va., at the bid of \$262,906.21, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$77,000.00 for Right of Way, making a total of approximately \$368,200.00 chargeable to this project, to be financed 50/50 with State and Federal Funds. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Watkins, seconded by Mr. Barrow, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received August 21 for the construction of Project 1588-10, Routes 600 and 643, Int. Route 670 (Near Syria)-0.087 Mile W. Int. Route 251 (Near Etlan), Madison County, to the low bidder, Moyer Construction Company, Staunton, Va., at the bid of \$114,114.41 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$125,550.00 chargeable to this project, to be financed 50/50 with State and Federal Funds. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Barrow, seconded by Mr. Flythe, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received August 21 for the construction of Project 1502-11-12, Routes 654 and 601, Bridge and Approaches - Ivy Creek, Albemarle County, to the low bidder, Faulconer Construction Company Inc., Charlottesville, Va., at the bid of \$75,000.00 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$82,500.00 chargeable to this project, to be financed 50/50 with State and Federal Funds. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Flythe, seconded by Senator Wright, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received August 21 for the construction of Project 7594-70-71-72, Route 312, Int. Route 60-Int. Route 168, City of Warwick, to the low bidders, E. V. Williams Co., Inc., Norfolk, Va., and W. H. Scott, Inc., Franklin, Va., at the bid of \$509,004.78, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, \$1,751.00 for work by State Forces, and \$50,864.00 for Railroad Work, making a total of approximately \$682,450.00 chargeable to this project; to be financed with \$141,490.00 State, \$281,230.00 Federal, \$141,490.00 City of Warwick and \$28,240.00 C. & O. RR Funds. Motion carried.

Moved by Senator Wright, seconded by Mr. May, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received August 21 for the construction of Project 7092-04-05-06, Route 85, 30L Bluefield, Va.-0.028 Mile W. of W. Va. State Idna, Taxwell County, to the low bidder, Beadie Snyder, White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., at the bid of \$571,815.60, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, \$984.50 for work by State Forces and \$100,000.00 for R/W, making a total of approximately \$510,000.00 chargeable to this project; a breakdown of funds to be provided at a later date. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. May, seconded by Senator Nelson, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received August 21 for the construction of Project 1517-15, Route 753, 0.50 Mile E. Int. Route 750-Int. Route 764 (N. Dugspur), Carroll County, to the low bidder, Virginia Stone & Construction Corporation, Roanoke, Va., at the bid of \$127,520.78 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$140,100.00 chargeable to this project, to be financed 50/50 with State and Federal Funds; additional \$20,057.00 required to be provided in the Matched 1958-59 Secondary Federal Aid Funds to the County. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Carper, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received August 21 for the construction of Projects 1514-10 and 1575-18-19, Route 609, 0.070 Mile S. of Prince Edward-Buckingham County Line to Int. Route 656, Buckingham and Prince Edward Counties, to the low bidder, R. H. Rose, Richmond, Va., at the bid of \$159,914.40 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$158,900.00 chargeable to this project (\$125,350.00 to Buckingham County and \$28,550.00 to Prince Edward County), to be financed 50/50 with State and Federal Funds; additional \$42,502.00 required to be provided in the Matched 1958-59 Secondary Federal Aid Funds to Buckingham County. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Carper, seconded by Mr. Flythe, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received August 21 for the construction of Project 1581-22, Routes 822 and 824, Int. Route 828 (Near Kerrs Creek)-Int. Route 802 (Near Rockbridge Baths), Rockbridge County, to the low bidder, Adams Construction Co., Roanoke, Va., at the bid of \$68,542.49 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$89,800.00 chargeable to this project, to be financed 50/50 with State and Federal Funds; to be provided in the Matched 1958-59 Secondary Federal Aid Funds to the County. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Flythe, seconded by Mr. Watkins, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received August 21 for the construction of Project 1863-09-10, Route 15, 0.040 Mile S. Limestone Branch-0.040 Mile N. NUL Leesburg, Loudoun County, to the low bidder, Robertson-Fowler, Inc., Buchanan, Va., at the bid of \$428,405.42, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, \$1,023.00 for work by State Forces and \$42,724.00 for Right of Way, making a total of approximately \$509,474.00 chargeable to this project, to be financed with \$255,242. State and \$254,232.00 Federal Funds; additional \$66,750.00 required to be provided in the 1958-59 Construction Allocations. Motion carried.

Moved by Senator Wright, seconded by Senator Nelson, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received August 21 for the construction of Project 1528-10, Route 882, 0.148 Mile N. of Int. Route 17 (W. of Dumsville)-Int. of Route 811 (N. of Dumsville), Essex County, to the low bidder, C. H. Lawson, Inc., Williamsburg, Va., at the bid of \$68,741.58 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$82,600. chargeable to this project, to be financed 50/50 with State and Federal Funds; additional \$11,899.00 required to be provided in the Matched 1958-59 Secondary Federal Aid Funds to the County. Motion carried.

Moved by Senator Nelson, seconded by Mr. Carper, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received August 21 for the construction of Project 1598-15-18, Route 619, Int. Route 94 (Near Porters Cross Roads)-0.004 Mile W. of Int. Route 636 (Near Justinville), Wythe County, to the low bidder, Pendleton Construction Corporation, Wytheville, Va., at the bid of \$166,714.66 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$188,400.00 chargeable to this project, to be financed 50/50 with State and Federal Funds; additional \$82,689.00 required to be provided in the 1958-59 Matched Secondary Federal Aid Funds to the County. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Carper, seconded by Mr. Barrow, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received August 21 for the construction of Project 1507-25-26, Route 618, Bridge and Approaches Middle River, Augusta County, to the low bidder, McDowall & Wood, Inc., Salem, Va., at the bid of \$320,659.44 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$352,750.00 chargeable to this project; to be financed 50/50 with State and Federal Funds. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Barrow, seconded by Mr. May, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received August 21 for the construction of Project 1501-15, Route 704, Int. Route 175 (W. of Watterville)-Route 15 (S. of New Church), Accomack County, to the low bidder, Lance J. Eller, Onley, Va., at the bid of \$47,554.02 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$52,300.00 chargeable to this project, to be financed 50/50 with State and Federal Funds. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Watkins, seconded by Mr. May, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received August 21 for the construction of Project 1540-19-20, Route 615, 1.857 Miles E. Int. Route 605-2.215 Miles E. Int. Route 605 (Bridge & Approaches Three Creeks), Greensville County, to the low bidder, Joe E. Taylor, Contractor, Esparia, Va., at the bid of \$54,651.87 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$59,100.00 chargeable to this project, to be financed 50/50 with State and Federal Funds. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. May, seconded by Mr. Carper, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received August 21 for the construction of Project 1597-18, Route 644, Int. Route 643-Int. Route 640 (S. of Hurricane), Wise County, to the low bidder, Rogers Brothers Construction Co., Cedar Bluff, Va., at the bid of \$71,886.27 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$79,100.00 chargeable to this project, to be financed 50/50 with State and Federal Funds. Motion carried.

Moved by Senator Wright, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received August 21 for the construction of Project 1507-29-30, Route 808, Bridge and Approaches Mossy Creek, Augusta County, to the low bidder, A. B. Torrence & Co., Inc., Elkton, Va., at the bid of \$61,525.66 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$67,700.00 chargeable to this project, to be financed 50/50 with State and Federal Funds. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Flythe, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received August 21 for the construction of Project 8040-18-04-05-06, Contract No. 1, Route 401 (801), 1.518 Miles S. Int. Route 58-0.224 Mile S. Int. Route 58 and Connections Route 611, Greenville County, to the low bidder, Malpass Construction Co., Inc., Norfolk, Va., at the bid of \$1,083,022.71, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, \$3,355.00 for work by State Forces and \$100,000.00 for Right of Way, making a total of approximately \$1,286,377.71 chargeable to this project, to be financed with \$129,395.00 State, \$1,154,555.00 Federal and \$700.00 Town of Esperia Funds. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Flythe, seconded by Mr. Watkins, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received August 21 for the construction of Project 1884-28-50, Route 604, Int. Route 170 (Near Hickory)-Int. Route 618 (Ventress), Norfolk County, to the low bidder, Sam Finley, Inc., Roanoke, Va., at the bid of \$119,999.66, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, \$8,480.00 for Railroad Work and \$66.00 for work by State Forces, making a total of approximately \$140,550.00 chargeable to this project, to be financed with \$68,070.00 State, \$78,552.00 Federal and \$948.00 N. & S. RR Funds. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Watkins, seconded by Mr. May, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received August 21 for the construction of Project 8227-70-71-72, Contract No. 1, Route 404, NCL City of Hampton-0.522 Mile N. Int. Route 258, City of Hampton, to the low bidder, Welle L. Tear Co., Inc., Durham, N. C., at the bid of \$2,251,066.51, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, \$16,720.00 for work by State Forces and \$259,000.00 for Right of Way, making a total of approximately \$2,751,900.00 chargeable to this project; to be financed with \$275,190.00 State and \$2,476,710.00 Federal Funds; additional \$2,492,900. required to be provided in the 1958-59 Construction Allocations. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. May, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received August 21 for the construction of Project 1581-17-18, Route 642, 0.066 Mile E, Int. Route 1525 (Proctor Street)-Int. Route 887, Nansemond County, to the low bidder, Sam Finley, Inc., Roanoke, Va., at the bid of \$148,877.59 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$163,450.00 chargeable to this project, to be financed 50/50 with State and Federal Funds; additional \$1,625.00 required to be provided in the 1958-59 Matched Secondary Federal Aid Funds to the County. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Senator Nelson, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received August 21 for the construction of Projects 2028-25 and 2528-08, Routes 17 and 860, 0.248 Mile S. Int. Routes 17 and 860 (Brays Fork)-0.124 Mile S. SCL Tappahannock (Hoskins Creek) AND 0.571 Mile W. Int. Routes 17 and 860 (Brays Fork)-Int. Routes 17 and 860 (Brays Fork), Essex County, to the low bidder, Clyde R. Royals, Inc., Hampton, Va., at the bid of \$271,627.79, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, \$3,313. for work by State Forces and \$150,000.00 for Right of Way, making a total of approximately \$452,100.00 chargeable to this project, to be financed with \$227,700.00 State and \$224,400.00 Federal Funds; additional \$52,100, required to be provided in the 1958-59 Construction Allocations. Motion carried.

Moved by Senator Wright, seconded by Mr. Watkins, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received August 21 for the construction of Project 1565-09-17-24, Route 616, 0.335 Mile W. Int. Route 700 (E. of Hamlin)-Int. Route 616, Russell County, to the low bidder, Bennie Snyder, White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., at the bid of \$250,266.32 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$275,500. chargeable to this project, to be financed 50/50 with State and Federal Funds; additional \$153,650.00 required to be provided in the Matched Secondary Federal Aid Funds to the County for 1958-59 and Subsequent Years. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Watkins, seconded by Mr. Flythe, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received August 21 for the construction of Project 1878-20, Route 864, Int. Route 871-0.085 Mile E. of Int. Route 865, Prince Edward County, to the low bidder, Thompson-Arthur Paving Co., Inc., Greensboro, N. C., at the bid of \$96,458.57, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$1,962.50 for work by State Forces, making a total of approximately \$108,650.00 chargeable to this project, to be financed with \$55,000.00 State and \$53,650.00 Federal Funds; additional \$22,950.00 required to be provided in the 1958-59 Matched Secondary Federal Aid Funds to the County. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Flythe, seconded by Mr. Barrow, that the Commission confirm REJECTION of all bids received August 21 for the construction of Project 1545-08, Route 640, Int. Route 250 (Hightown)-2.588 Miles S. Int. Route 250 (W. of Meadowsdale), Highland County, the low bid being 21.5% over estimate and readvertise. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Barrow, seconded by Mr. Flythe, that the Commission confirm REJECTION of all bids received August 21 for the construction of Project 1510-04-05, Route 604, 0.408 Mile E. Int. Route 605-1.044 Miles E. Int. Route 605, Bland County, the low bid being 12.4% over estimate and readvertise. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Carper, that WHEREAS, an allocation of \$50,000 was made from 1954-55 and 1956-57 funds for the construction of a crossover between the north bound and south bound lanes of Route 1 at Dumfries in Prince William County, and WHEREAS, it is now apparent that the construction of the Interstate system will eliminate the necessity for said crossover, NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the \$50,000 allocated from 1954-55 and 1956-57 funds for the construction of this crossover be transferred to the Culpeper District Reserve. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Watkins, seconded by Senator Wright, that WHEREAS, under authority of Section 55-50.2 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, request is made in a letter dated August 6, 1957, from Mr. Harry B. Dychs, Mayor of the Town of Luray, Virginia, for additional mileage on streets meeting required standards and subject to payment at the base rate of \$500 per mile annually; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the eligible streets totaling 0.585 mile be added to the designated streets for payment to the Town of Luray, effective beginning the second quarter, October 1, 1957. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Flythe, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that WHEREAS, under authority of Section 55-115.2 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, request is made by the City of Norfolk for payment at the base rate of \$500 per mile annually on additional streets meeting the required standards; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that quarterly payments at the base rate of \$500 per mile annually be made to the City of Norfolk on additional streets totaling 5.016 miles, effective beginning the first quarter, July 1, 1957. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Barrow, seconded by Mr. Flythe, that, whereas, by deed dated September 3, 1947, recorded in the Clerk's Office of Chesterfield County in Deed Book 518, Page 495, William E. Campbell and Louise M. Campbell, his wife, joint owners, conveyed Lot 215 of Cleyerdale Subdivision to the Commonwealth, as shown on Sheet 5 of plans for Route 80, Project 174-R1, a portion of which, containing 0.12 acre, more or less, is outside of the normal 150-foot right of way and adjacent to land owned by J. J. Walsh, Jr., who has offered the sum of \$500.00 for this portion, which is deemed adequate; and the State Highway Commissioner has certified in writing that this portion does not constitute a section of the public road and is deemed no longer necessary for the use of the State Highway System; now, therefore, as provided for by Section 55-76.8 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, the conveyance of the said 0.12 acre, more or less, of land to J. J. Walsh, Jr., with special warranty of title, for the sum of \$500.00 is hereby approved and the State Highway Commissioner is authorized to execute a deed accordingly, which, however, shall not convey any land lying within 49 feet of the centerline of the west-bound lane of Route 80. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. May, seconded by Mr. Watkins, that, whereas, by deed dated July 18, 1956, recorded in the Clerk's Office of Buchanan County in Deed Book 128, Page 78, Polly Runyon and Roosevelt Runyon conveyed certain lands to the Commonwealth as shown on Sheet 15 of plans for Route 480, Project 1915-06, a portion of which, containing 0.45 acre, more or less, is outside of the normal 55-foot right of way and adjacent to land owned by Fred Shortt and Gay Nell Shortt, his wife; and whereas, under agreement of May 2, 1957, the said Fred Shortt agreed to convey certain land required from his property for right of way purposes to the Commonwealth in exchange for the said land acquired from Polly and Roosevelt Runyon lying outside of the normal right of way and not now needed for road purposes, which is deemed a fair exchange; and the State Highway Commissioner has certified in writing that this portion of land does not constitute a section of the public road and is deemed no longer necessary for uses of the State Highway System; now, therefore, as provided for by Section 55-76.6 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, the conveyance of the said 0.45 acre, more or less, of land by the Commonwealth to Fred Shortt, with special warranty of title, in exchange for the land required from him, is hereby approved and the State Highway Commissioner is authorized to execute a deed accordingly, which, however, shall be with the understanding that road slopes may be constructed and maintained within the area designated by a dashed line on said project plans, and which, however, shall not convey any land lying within 55 feet of the office revised centerline as shown on said plans. Motion carried.

A letter was read to the Commission from Mrs. William Lawson Cowart, daughter of Mr. Howard C. Rogers, expressing appreciation of the resolution adopted in honor of Mr. Rogers a copy of which was sent to the family.

Reference was made to letter of August 12 to the Commission, attached to which was a copy of the VAIC Report with reference to the Highway Department.

A letter was read to the Commission from Hon. Kenneth L. Figg, Jr., Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of Prince George County, expressing appreciation of the Board regarding the relocation of Route 154 to connect with the proposed interchange of the Interstate System at Primary Route 35.

The Commission was advised of the requests to name the Rappahannock River Bridge, between Gray's Point and White Stone, in honor of Hon. Robert O. Morris, Senator from Lively in Lancaster County. The Commissioner referred to the Statute which prohibits the Commission naming a structure in honor of any living person. It was moved by Mr. Rawls and seconded by Mr. Carper that the requests be tabled. Motion carried.

General Anderson reported on the dedication exercises on August 30 for the Rappahannock River Bridge, which was opened to traffic at that time. It was reported that Senator Wright, who was in the Senate and prominently connected with the Revenue Bond Act under which the structure was built, proved a wonderful master of ceremonies; that the weather was extremely hot but that there were approximately 5,000 persons present. The tolls since the opening have averaged \$980.00 a day.

Mr. Davis gave a resume¹ of the review of the claim of Moore Brothers Company on Project F-1730-02, Route 29 in Fauquier County and a suggested resolution was read.

It was moved by Mr. Barrow, seconded by Mr. Flythe, that WHEREAS on August 8, 1967, a hearing was held before the Commission to consider the claim of Moore Brothers Company, Incorporated, Verona, Virginia, dated January 26, 1966, covering the following items used in the construction of Project F-1730-02 on Route 29, Fauquier County:

1- 553 Cubic Yards Unstable Material removed	@ \$0.80	\$ 351.80
2- 966 Cubic Yards Subgrade Treatment	@ \$5.00	\$4,830.00
5- 801 Cubic Yards Topsoil Stripped	@ \$1.00	\$ 801.00
4- 7840 Cubic Yards Excavation	@ \$0.90	\$6,876.00

Total amount of claim: \$12,858.80

and, WHEREAS, Attorney Elder of Staunton, Virginia, and Mr. P. W. Moore, president of Moore Brothers Company, Incorporated, appeared before the Commission and explained the claim in detail; and, WHEREAS, the original claim has been carefully reviewed by our Department's Engineers and Special Counsel; now, therefore, BE IT RESOLVED that Items 1, 2 and 5 be denied, and that Item 4 be paid in the amount of \$6,876.30; and, further, that the contractor be given an opportunity to submit a claim for overhaul for selective material. Motion carried.

Moved by General Anderson, seconded by Mr. Flythe, that WHEREAS, in a resolution adopted by the Floyd County Board of Supervisors at its meeting on August 12, 1967, and in a resolution adopted by the Montgomery County Board of Supervisors at its meeting on August 20, 1967, it is requested that the State Highway Commission name the bridge over Little River on Route B, at the Floyd-Montgomery Line in memory of Mr. John W. Altizer, a pioneer settler whose farms were connected by an earlier bridge near this location, and WHEREAS, the Counties of Floyd and Montgomery and certain residents thereof have agreed to pay the cost and expense in connection therewith including the cost of erection of appropriate plaques and WHEREAS, under authority of Section 88-175 of the 1960 Code of Virginia the State Highway Commission is given authority to name bridges constructed on the Primary System; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Commission confer the name "Altizer Bridge" upon the bridge over Little River on Route B, at the Floyd-Montgomery County Line. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Barrow, seconded by Mr. Watkins, that WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of Section 116(c) of the Federal Aid Highway Act of 1956, a PUBLIC HEARING was held at the City Hall in Petersburg, Virginia, on July 17, 1957, concerning the proposed construction from Crater Road to the east city limits in the City of Petersburg, Route 58, Project 2926-70, Federal Project U-125-1(1), City of Petersburg; 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 construction as planned, their statements being duly recorded and WHEREAS, the economic effects of the location and the proposed improvements have been examined and given proper consideration and this evidence, along with all other, has been carefully reviewed, now therefore BE IT RESOLVED, that the construction of this project be approved in accordance with the plans as proposed and presented by the Engineering Division of the Department of Highways. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Watkins, seconded by Mr. Carper, that WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of Section 116(c) of the Federal Aid Highway Act of 1956, a PUBLIC HEARING was held at the Cumberland County Court House, Cumberland, Virginia, on August 15, 1957, concerning the proposed relocation and construction of Route 60 from 0.540 Miles West of the Intersection of Route 822 to 0.745 Miles East of the Intersection of Route 882 in Cumberland County, State Project 2124-05, Federal Project F-040-2(6) and WHEREAS, proper notice was given in advance and all those present were given a full opportunity to express their opinions and recommendations for or against the construction as planned, their statements being duly recorded and WHEREAS, the economic effects of the location and the proposed improvements have been examined and given proper consideration, and this evidence, along with all other, has been carefully reviewed, now therefore BE IT RESOLVED, that the construction of this project be approved in accordance with the plans as proposed and presented by the Engineering Division of the Department of Highways. Motion carried.

Moved by Senator Wright, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of Section 116(c) of the Federal Aid Highway Act of 1956, a PUBLIC HEARING was held in the York County Court House, Yorktown, Virginia, on Tuesday, April 16, concerning the proposed location of Route 175, Project 5599, from a point east of Hornsbyville to Route 17; WHEREAS, interested citizens in this area stated that they did not have an opportunity to express their opinions and requested a re-hearing to make their recommendations; WHEREAS, a supplementary public hearing was scheduled Monday, July 15, 1957, at York County Court House, Yorktown, Virginia, and WHEREAS, proper notice was given in advance for supplementary hearing and all those present were given a full opportunity to express their opinions and recommendations for or against the construction as planned, their statements being duly recorded, now therefore BE IT RESOLVED that after considering all information presented the Commission confirms its resolution of May 1, 1957, approving Lane "D". Motion carried.

WHEREAS, by §46-541 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, the State Highway Commission is authorized and empowered to decrease the weight limits of any highway or section of highway or bridge constituting a part of the State Highway System or Secondary System of State Highways whenever it will promote the safety of travel or is necessary for the protection of the highway; and WHEREAS, the desirability and necessity for reducing weight limits on such highways or sections thereof so as to prevent undue breakup or distress requires timely action based on information available to the District and Resident Engineers NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the District and Resident Engineers under the provisions of §46-541 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, be authorized, empowered and instructed to decrease the weight limits on any highway or section of highway or bridge constituting a part of the State Highway System or Secondary System of State Highways to a limit of five (5) tons per axle weight upon the happening of any of the following conditions:

1. When the moisture content of the base and surface material is critical and the continuation of heavy traffic thereover may cause breakup or distress of that section of roadway.
2. When the depth and extent to which freezing has occurred within and under the roadway is such that the continuation of heavy traffic over that section of roadway may cause breakup or distress.
3. When rutting, surface cracks or other surface changes occur which indicate that the carrying ability of the road has been impaired.
4. When an inspection of the bridge or culvert discloses conditions which indicate impairment of its carrying ability.

Moved by Senator Nelson, seconded by Mr. Barrow, that as provided under Article 6.1, Section 55-76.5 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended and upon recommendation of the Commissioner, the following sections of old Route 49 in Mecklenburg 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 18, 1957, Project 5458-08-07-11. That as provided under Article 2, Section 55-27 of the 1950 Code, Amended, Sections 3 and 4 shown on the plat referred to be transferred from the Primary System to the Secondary System. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Barrow, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that as provided under Article 6.1, Section 55-76.5 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, and upon recommendation of the Commissioner, the following sections of old Route 42 in Augusta County being no longer necessary for uses as a highway they be abandoned to the extent of alteration: Sections 1A, 2, 3, 3A, 4A, 5, 6 and 7 shown on plat dated September 10, 1956, Project 2407-08-09-09. That as provided under Article 6.1, Section 55-76.1 of the Code, Amended, the following sections be discontinued as a part of the Primary System: Sections 1, 4 and 5A also shown on the plat referred to. Motion carried.

Moved by Senator Wright, seconded by Mr. Flythe, that as provided under Article 6.1, Section 55-76.5 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, and upon recommendation of the Commissioner, the following sections of old Route 5 in Richmond County being no longer necessary for uses as a highway they be abandoned to the extent of alteration: Sections 1 and 6 shown on plat dated July 8, 1957, Project 5579-05. That as provided under Article 2, Section 55-27 of the 1950 Code, as amended, Sections 2, 3, 4, and 5 on the plat be transferred from the Primary System to the Secondary System. Further, that as provided under Article 2, Section 55-141 of the Code as referred to, the following sections be added to the Secondary System as connections: Sections 8, 9 and 10, all as shown on the plat referred to. Motion carried.

Moved by Senator Nelson, seconded by Mr. May, that as provided under Article 6.1, Section 55-76.5 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, and upon recommendation of the Commissioner, the following sections of old Route 59 in Bath County being no longer necessary for uses as a highway they be abandoned to the extent of alteration: Sections 1, 3, 4 and 5 shown on plat dated July 5, 1957, Project 2708-16. That as provided under Article 2, Section 55-27 of the 1950 Code, as amended, Section 6 shown on the plat referred to be transferred from the Primary System to the Secondary System. Further, that as provided under Article 2, Section 55-141 of the Code as referred to, Sections 6 and 7 shown on the plat be added to the Secondary System as connections. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Watkins, seconded by Mr. Garper, that as provided under Article 6.1, Section 55-76.5 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, and upon recommendation of the Commissioner, the following section of old Route 40 in Charlotte County being no longer necessary for uses as a highway it be abandoned to the extent of alteration: Section 4 shown on plat dated July 5, 1957, Project 2719-11-12. That as provided under Article 2, Section 55-27 of the 1950 Code, as amended, Section 1 shown on the plat referred to be transferred from the Primary System to the Secondary System. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Flythe, seconded by Senator Nelson, that as provided under Article 2, Section 55-27 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, and upon recommendation of the Commissioner, the following sections of old Route 460 in Bedford County being no longer necessary for uses of the Primary System they be transferred to the Secondary System: Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 shown on plat dated November 1, 1956, Project 1909-19. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Flythe, that the Commission confirm its letter ballot action to purchase Physical Loss or Damage Insurance coverage on the Rappahannock River Bridge from Greys Point to White Stone from Benjamin B. Burroughs and Company, Norfolk, Va., on bids opened August 22, 1957; for a three year premium of \$36,376.79 effective August 30, 1957, this being the lowest acceptable bid meeting the requirements set forth in the specifications. Motion carried.

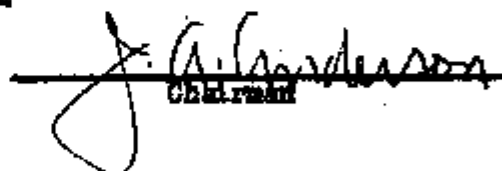
On motion moved and seconded the Commission adjourned to the Auditorium for a public hearing on the location of a proposed crossing of the Chesapeake Bay, as required by Chapter 482, Acts of the General Assembly of 1956 and Section 55-251 of the Code of Virginia (a portion of the State Revenue Bond Act).

At the opening of the hearing Chairman Anderson stated -
"It is the function of the State Highway Commission, under the provisions of Chapter 482, Acts of Assembly of 1956, to either approve or disapprove the location proposed by the Chesapeake Bay Ferry Commission for any crossing of the Chesapeake Bay. This provision allows the State Highway Commission to ascertain how any proposed crossing of the Bay would affect the existing State Highway System. The State Highway Commission is also authorized to grant or refuse a permit for such crossing pursuant to Section 55-251 of the Code. The State Highway Commission must reach two conclusions in making the determination regarding such a permit; first, that there is an urgent public need for the operation of such crossing facility, and secondly, that its operation will not affect the revenues of any project already existing so as to impair the security of any revenue bonds issued for the acquisition or construction of such projects."

The hearing lasted all day, there being between four and five hundred people present. The time was divided between the proponents and opponents.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 P.M.

Approved-


Chairman

Attested-


Secretary