

(Seventeenth)

Minutes of the meetings of the State
Highway Commission, held at Williamsburg
and Richmond, Virginia, October 4th and
6th, 1920.

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The State Highway Commission with all members in attendance, namely, Wade H. Massie, Chairman, Henry P. Beck, Secretary, James A. Mandy, Jr., Horace Haraway, and F. W. Davis, assembled at the Court House in Williamsburg on Monday, October 4th, at 11 A. M. to hear the appeal of certain freeholders of James City County from the decision of the Highway Commissioner, G. P. Coleman, in regard to his location of that portion of Route 9, lying between Williamsburg and Lee Hall.

After an extensive hearing from counsel on both sides of the controversy, the Commission adjourned to meet in Richmond on the 6th for the further consideration of this matter.

The Highway Commission assembled in the rooms of the Highway Department, 116 South Third Street, on Wednesday morning, October 6th at 10 A. M., and after due consideration of the appeal of the James City County freeholders the following action was taken:

WHEREAS, The State Highway Commission having heard the appeal of the citizens of the County of James City, State of Virginia, in regard to the location from Williamsburg via Grove Station to Lee Hall from the Commissioner's location via Springfield and Halstead's Point to Lee Hall, in the Court House at

Williamsburg on October 4th, 1920; it is the decision of the Highway Commission, that the Highway Commissioner having heretofore unquestionably located, established, and built Route 9 from Williamsburg to Springfield, the Highway Commission is without jurisdiction from Williamsburg to Springfield; and the Commission is of the opinion that the practical route from Springfield to Lee Hall is via Halstead's Point;

WHEREFORE, it is ordered that the appeal is dismissed.

On motion of Mr. Hardaway, the following traffic officers were appointed:

S. J. Dudley, Maintenance Foreman,	to succeed L. A. Carter, resigned.
C. V. Cooper, Foreman	" " Hugh Williams "
R. W. Herzler, Maintenance Foreman	" " R. W. Patterson "
O. T. Burch, Maintenance Foreman,	Reencke, as a new Officer, No. 96

On motion of Mr. Davis, the following addition was made to the rules and regulations governing traffic over State Highways:

The State Highway Commissioner, or his duly authorized representative, shall have power to close to traffic any State road or highway, or section or sections thereof, whenever in the opinion of the Commissioner, or his representative, it is necessary or advisable to do so, on account of construction, reconstruction, or repair of said road or highway, or section or sections thereof.

The Commissioner, on closing a road or highway, shall provide, wherever possible, for reasonable and necessary detours around the road or highway, or section or sections thereof, which may be so closed to traffic.

No person, firm or corporation, shall, without a permit in writing, signed by the State Highway Commissioner, or his representative, enter upon, use, travel on or pass over, or drive any vehicle, implement or contrivance thereon, or cause to be entered upon, used, travelled on, or passed over or driven, any vehicle, implement or contrivance thereon, any State road or highway, or section or sections thereof, which has been closed to traffic, as herein provided.

No person, firm or corporation shall remove, injure, deface, or destroy, or cause to be removed, injured, defaced, or destroyed, any barricade, sign, notice, or other thing placed on or near any State Road or highway, under the provisions of this regulation, to indicate that said road or highway, or section or sections thereof, is closed to traffic.

On motion of Mr. Hardaway, the Secretary of the Commission was instructed to notify the proprietor of the Beverley Garage at Staunton, Virginia, that his application for a permit to be allowed to erect signs on the Valley Turnpike, known as Route 3, was rejected.

On motion of Mr. Davis, the Secretary was instructed to notify Mr. C. H. Butcher, President of the United Collieries, Incorporated, of Saint Charles, Virginia, that the change in the allocations, as recommended by him, could not be made.

Upon the request of the State Highway Commissioner, and on motion of Mr. Davis, the Commission adopted, by unanimous vote, the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, That Mayo C. Brown of Campbell County, Virginia, be, and he is hereby authorized and empowered to in-

stitute and conduct in the Circuit Court of Campbell County, Virginia, condemnation proceedings for the purpose of having condemned sufficient lands of J. H. Brown, located on State Highway No. 18, running from Beach, Campbell County, to Rustburg, Virginia, for the construction of that portion of the said State Highway that passes through the lands of the said J. H. Brown, as shown by the maps, diagrams and records now on file in the office of the State Highway Commissioner in Richmond, Virginia, and the said Wags C. Brown is hereby appointed the agent of the said State Highway Commission for the purpose of instituting said proceedings, and taking the necessary oaths required therein.

Upon the request of the Highway Commissioner, and on motion of Mr. Davis, the Commission adopted unanimously the following resolution, authorizing Henry Roberts and R. J. Summers, or either of them, to institute, conduct and conclude condemnation proceedings to acquire necessary land for Route 10 of The State Highway System between Greendale and Washington County Line in Washington County:

RESOLVED, That in the judgment of this Commission it is necessary, requisite and suitable for the alteration, reconstruction and maintenance of a portion of State Highway No. 10, between Greendale and Washington County Line in Washington County, Virginia, to change the location of said State Highway through the lands of H. W. Ham as shown by line "B" on the blueprint map attached hereto, and made a part hereof, the distance through said lands along said line "B" being approximately 772 feet; and

RESOLVED further that this Commission deems it necessary, requisite, and suitable that the right of way for said highway for said distance of approximately 772 feet through the lands of H. J.

line should be 50 feet wide, and that said line "B" should be in the center of said 50 feet right of way; and

RESOLVED further, that the profile showing the grade line, cuts and fills, as shown on said blueprint map, be made a part hereof, and that the grade line shown thereon be adopted and established;

RESOLVED further, that R. J. Searns, Commonwealth's Attorney for Washington County, Virginia, and Henry Roberts of Bristol, Virginia, or either of them, be appointed attorneys for this Commission, and directed to secure said right of way from H. W. Mann by gift, purchase or condemnation proceedings.

On motion of Mr. Hardsway the minutes of the meetings of September 12th to 15th, inclusive, were read and approved, and the Chairman authorized to sign the same.

On motion, the Commission adjourned.

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SECRETARY

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OF PROPOSED LINE CHANGE ON PROPERTY
OF M. W. MANN.