

MINUTES OF THE FIRST MEETING
OF THE
STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION,
HELD AT THE OFFICE OF THE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER,
ROOM 505, LYRIC BUILDING, RICHMOND, VIRGINIA.

NOVEMBER 1, 1919

PRESENT: Members, Henry P. Beck, Frank W. Davis,
Horace Hardaway, Wade H. Massee, James
A. Murdy.

Previous to assembling in meeting at the Lyric
Building all members of the Commission, namely:

Henry P. Beck
Frank W. Davis
Horace Hardaway
Wade H. Massee
James A. Murdy

had appeared before Colonel B. O. Jason, Secretary of the
Commonwealth, in his office in the Capitol Building, and took
the oath of office as prescribed by law.

Mr. Beck was appointed temporary chairman.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Beck.

After general discussion, officers were elected
for the term November 1, 1919 to July 1, 1921, as follows:

Chairman - On motion of Mr. Davis, seconded by
Mr. Hardaway, Mr. Wade H. Massee was nominated permanent chairman
and was unanimously elected.

Secretary - Mr. Hardaway nominated Mr. Henry P. Beck
as Secretary, the nomination being seconded by Mr. Davis, and Mr.
Beck was unanimously elected.

Mr. Hassie took the chair.

Mr. Hardaway moved that the chair appoint Mr. Beck to take up with Col. John W. Richardson, Register of Land Office, and arrange for suitable and satisfactory quarters for the Commission. The motion was seconded by Mr. Davis and was adopted unanimously. Whereupon the Chairman appointed Mr. Beck and the matter was left entirely to him.

On motion made by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Hardaway, and adopted unanimously, the salaries of the employees of the State Highway Department were taken up and passed on separately, and the following salaries were authorized:

	Assistant Commissioner	\$ 3600
	Second Asst. Commissioner	3100
	Engineer Geodetic & Paint.	3100
	Engineer of State Aid	3000
2	District Engineers	3000 each
	Bridge Engineer	2400
	Locating Engineers	2400
	Designer	2100
	Assistant Designer	1500
	Chief Draftsman (Bridge Dept.)	1500
4	Draftsmen	1500 each
	Draftsman	1620
2	Draftsman	1320 each
4	Tracers	1200 each
2	Tracers	1000 each
	Office Engineers	1320 each
	Resident Engineers	2400 each
3	Resident Engineers	2100 each
	Assistant Resident Engineer	1800
7	Assistant Resident Engineers	1620 each
6	Instrumentmen	1300 each
4	Chief of Party (or Instrumentman)	1620 each
3	Rodmen	840 each
4	Rodmen	720 each
6	Chainmen	600 each
4	Ammen	720 each
	Secretary to the Commissioners	1800
	Chief Clerk	1800
2	Bookkeepers	1650 each
2	Clerks	1320 each
2	Clerks	1200 each
	Clerk (Filing)	1200

Clerk (Stock) and office boy	840
Clerk, Jr.	900
Stenographers	1200 each
Photographers	1000 each
Photographer	900
Office Boy	600
Janitor	120
Chief, Water Service	1920
Clerk and Stenographer	1500
Water Service Men	1500 each

Mr. Hardaway moved that the Chairman appoint a Committee on general rules and regulations of proceedings of the Commission. The motion was seconded by Mr. Davis, and was unanimously adopted:

The Chairman appointed the following committee:
Members, Henry P. Rock and Horace Hardaway.

There being no further business before the Commission, motion was made to adjourn to meet again on December 15th, 1919, unless called by the Chairman or the Commissioner, to meet before that time. The motion was unanimously adopted.

CHAIRMAN.

SECRETARY.

(Second).

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the State Highway Commission
held at Richmond, Virginia, December 15, 16, 17, 18, 19.

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The State Highway Commission met in special session on December 15, 1919, at 10 A.M. in the hearing room of the Industrial Commission in the Presbyterian Publication Building, North Sixth Street.

Owing to the large crowd present the meeting at once adjourned to the Senate Chamber in the Capitol Building, where the hearing of delegations from various sections of the State was commenced, and the following delegations appeared in connection with the allocation of funds to their respective routes:

ROUTE 1	Mr. Davis Mr. Dawson Mr. F. L. Ball	=	Fairfax County Prince William County Board of Supervisors of Alexandria County
ROUTE 2	Mr. V. R. Shuckford Mr. A. T. Browning	=	Orange County Orange County
ROUTE 3	Mr. Stoll Mr. John Wood	=	Botetourt County Roanoke (Lay Highway Association).
ROUTE 4	Mr. Walters	=	Accomac
ROUTE 6	Mr. Harrison	=	Fairfax County
ROUTE 9	Mr. G. L. Smith Judge Duke Mr. R. H. Wood	=	Newport News Albemarle County Albemarle County
ROUTE 10	Mr. Henry Roberts Mr. R. L. Jordan	=	Bristol City of Radford and Montgomery County

ROUTE 10 (Continued)	Mr. Rupp R. I. Rupp R. J. Noel R. V. Evans Rep. Stull Mr. Raday	Commonwealth's Attorney, Montgomery County Russell County City of Radford Campbell County, in place of D.B.Ryland, Lynchburg Petroleum Wytheville Chamber of Commerce and Board of Supervisors of Wythe County.
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The Commission here heard Mr. Louis Brownlow,
President, Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia,
relative to the LOCATION OF ROUTE 1, Washington, north, since
appointments in Washington made it necessary for him to return
immediately.

ROUTE 11	Mr. Roland E. Chase Judge W. P. Mease Mr. John W. Chalkley Mr. Henry Roberts Mr. McCorkle Mr. S. D. Quillen Mr. F. W. Coniba	Member of House of Delegates, Wise and Dickenson Counties State Highway Commissioner of Kentucky Big Stone Gap Prishtel Commonwealth's Attorney, Vine County Commonwealth's Attorney, Russell County Dickenson
ROUTE 12	D. V. Bell Mr. Tappins Mr. Auerman Mr. W. A. Garrett Mr. Feltz Mr. Harrington	Carroll County Board of Supervisors of Carroll County Pittsylvania County Henry County Carroll Commonwealth's Attorney, Grayson County
ROUTE 14	Mr. Bell Mr. G. A. Thompson	Rockbridge Master, Board of Supervisors of Pittsylvania
ROUTE 16	Mr. P. L. Walker Mr. A. T. Browning	Madison County, Board of Super- visors Orange

The Commission met at 10 A.M., December 16, in the Senate Chamber and continued its hearing from the various delegations on the Allegation of Frauds:

ROUTE 16 (Continued)	Mr. Miller	Bellwood-Supervisor of Hampton District.
ROUTE 17	Mr. Gathright Mr. Brewster Mr. Chapman Mr. Campbell Mr. J. W. Still Major V. A. Anderson Mr. Coleran	Supervisorelect-Allegany County Allegany County Greene County Harrisburg Roads Assn. Potter, Tioga-Allegany Roads Lexington Orange
ROUTE 18	Mr. Basley	Halifax County
ROUTE 19	Judge J. C. Shepherd Mr. Odell Mr. Harry Beattie Mr. C. H. Jones	Blairsville County Blairsville Harrison County Blairsville County
ROUTE 23	Mr. Ferrier Mr. Pumphrey H. L. Jordan	Commonwealth's Attorney Wayne County Floyd County Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County

In order to give all sections a chance to be heard, the Commission again went over the Routes in numerical order, hearing all those who were not present at the first hearing:

ROUTE 2	Mr. Ferrent Orthrie	Buckingham County
ROUTE 3	Mr. John Wood Major V. A. Anderson J. J. L. Kincaid	Lee Highway Association, Roanoke Lexington Chairman, Board of Supervisors of Rockbridge County

GENERAL DISCUSSION - Mr. R. H. Wood of Albemarle suggesting that the Commission after conference with Mr. Coleran

revise the Distribution Sheet and allocate all funds to the main through routes of the State.

Mr. Rader of Wytheville Chamber of Commerce and Board of Supervisors of Wythe County, favoring the Distribution Sheet remaining as submitted by Mr. Coleman.

ROUTE 9	Mr. G. L. Smith Mr. George A. Savage	Penninsula Good Roads Assoc. Newport News
ROUTE 10	Mr. Rogers Mr. George A. Savage Mr. T. W. Evans Mr. Wyatt Mr. Adams	Board of Supervs., Surry County Chairman Board of Supervisors Surry County Concord Depot Lee County Horton
ROUTE 11	Mr. H. Condie Mr. D. T. Wilson Mr. D. R. Quillen Mr. R. A. Henderson	Buchanan County Lebanon Commonwealth's Attorney Russell County Buchanan County

There being no further delegations to be heard on the question of Allocation of Funds, the Commission proceeded with the hearing of requests for changes in and additions to the various routes in the State Highway System as fixed by the Legislature:

ROUTE 1	Mr. Hartlie Mr. Dawson Mr. H. C. Davis Maj. V. A. Anderson Mr. Brewster	Fairfax County Prince William Fairfax County Lexington Blowyer County (Requested to be heard later)
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The Commission again convened at 10 A. M. on December 17th in the Senate Chamber and continued the hearing on changes in and additions to the State Highway System which require legislative action:

ROUTE 1 (Continued)	W. V. Beverley J. D. Caldwell Roswell Page C. B. Richardson	Hanover County Hanover County Hanover County and City of Richmond Rockland Highway Association Richmond
	Cal. Field Mr. Hatchett Mr. Frawley Mr. Gridlin Mr. Bradford Mr. Floyd W. Tucker Mr. L. C. Brewster	Caroline Randolph-Pocahontas College, Ashland Caroline T. P. A. Civil Engineer-R. P. & P. R. R. Richmond Board of Supervisors of Hanover County Hanover County and City of Richmond Lawrenceville
ROUTE 2	Judge Shepherd Mr. Bowmen	Fluvanna County Floyd County
ROUTE 3	Mr. E. W. McElorie Maj. V. A. Anderson	Rockbridge County Lexington
ROUTE 7	On request, hearing postponed until the 27th.	
ROUTE 11	F. H. Goolsby Mr. R. A. Henderson Mr. Plummer Mr. Roland N. Chase Mr. Chalkley	Buckingham County Buckingham County Dickenson County Member of House of Delegates Vice and Dickenson Counties Big Stone Gap
ROUTE 16	Mr. R. P. Hill	Madison County

ROUTE 26	Judge Fulton Hagley Mr. Parrish Mr. Pader	Bland County Giles County Chamber of Commerce of Wytheville and Board of Supervisors of Wythe County Board of Supervisors of Wythe County Wythe County Pulaski County Wythe County Wytheville
	Mr. Wilkins Mr. Draper Mr. H. H. Hunter Mr. A. H. Williams	

On December 18th the Commission convened in room of the Lieutenant Governor in the Senate Chamber at 10 A.M. and reviewed the evidence and the requests made to them on the previous days concerning the allocation of funds to the respective State Highway Routes.

On December 19th, the commission again convened in the room of the Lieutenant Governor in the Senate Chamber at 10 A.M. and proceeded with the further consideration of the allocation of funds to the various State Highway Routes as fixed by the Legislature.

On the request of the State Highway Commissioner and upon his recommendation the Commission adopted traffic rules for the highway known as Route 1, on that portion of the highway lying between Neabsco and Marneec in Prince William County. (Copy of resolution setting forth these traffic rules attached hereto.) Motion to adopt this resolution was unanimously adopted.

Minutes of the meeting of November 1st were read

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and approved and the Chairman authorized to sign the same.

Chairman

Secretary

RESOLUTION

Whereas it is essential that that portion of Route No. 1 between Washington and Richmond be kept open during the winter months and not allowed to be injured by reason of excessively heavy traffic, therefore, be it resolved by the State Highway Commission of Virginia in session at Richmond on December 18, 1919, that the following traffic regulations be enforced in accordance with Section 4, Chapter 31, Acts of Legislature 1919, to wit:

1. It is hereby forbidden and shall be unlawful to operate over that section of Route No. 1 (otherwise known as the Richmond-Washington Highway) between Mechanics and Moravusco in Prince William County any vehicle, implement or contrivance whose gross weight, inclusive of both vehicle and load, shall exceed eight thousand five hundred (8,500) pounds, or which shall have a load so distributed as to exceed seven hundred (700) pounds per inch in width of tire on any one wheel of said vehicle, implement or contrivance.

2. It is hereby forbidden and shall be unlawful to operate over that section of Route No. 1 (otherwise known as the Richmond-Washington Highway) between Washington and Alexandria in Alexandria and Fairfax Counties any vehicle, implement or contrivance whose gross weight, inclusive of both vehicle and load, shall exceed eight thousand five hundred (8,500) pounds, or which shall have a load so distributed as to exceed seven hundred (700) pounds per inch in width of tire on any one wheel of said vehicle, implement or contrivance.

(Signed) Wade H. Bassie,

Chairman.

December 22, 1919

Clerk of all counties

Dear Sir:

We are enclosing herewith two copies of resolution covering rules and regulations governing traffic on the Richmond-Washington Highway Route No. 1 in Prince William, Alexandria and Fairfax Counties. As provided in Section 4, Chapter 31, acts of 1919, one copy of these rules and regulations is to be kept in your file for public inspection, and one copy publicly posted on the front of the Court House.

Kindly give this the necessary attention, and
oblige,

Yours very truly,

~~Asst. Commissioner~~

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