MINUTES OF MEETING OF STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Lexington, Virginia

November 4, 1976

The monthly meeting of the State Highway and Transportation Commission was held in Alumni Hall at Virginia Military Institute in Lexington, Virginia, on November 4, 1976, at 1 p.m. The Chairman, Mr. John E. Harwood, presided.

Present: Messrs. Harwood, Section, Crowe, Fralin, Glass. Hall. Hassell. Hooper, Janney, Landes and Roos.

On motion of Mr. Hooper, seconded by Mr. Hasse)], the minutes of the meeting of October 14, 1976, were approved.

On motion of Mr. Hooper, seconded by Mr. Hassell, permits issued from October 14, 1976, to Movember 3, 1976, inclusive, as shown by records of the Department, were approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Hooper, seconded by Mr. Hassell, that cancellation of permits from October 14, 1976, to November 3, 1976, inclusive, as shown by records of the Department, be approved. Motion Carried.

Mr. J. M. Wray, Jr., gave a report on Daily Express. Inc., which has been under surveillance for permit violations for a three-month period subsequent to action at the July meeting. The company's records had been good until recently, when it received one citation. After some discussion, Mr. Janney made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Hooper and carried, that the company be kept under surveillance for another three-month period.

Concerning the proposed new building for the Materials Division, Mr. Harwood said he felt that, after much consideration, it would be best, due to the present economic outlook, to defer action on this. On motion of Mr. Hooper, seconded by Mr. Glass, the Commission concurred in this recommendation.

On motion of Mr. Roos, seconded by Mr. Crowe, the Commission approved the 1977-78 Preliminary Budget for the Elizabeth River Tunnels, as attached.

VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION ELIZABETH RIVER TUNNELS

PRELIMINARY BUDGET

February 1, 1977 - January 31, 1978

BUDGET RECAPITULATION

	1976	BUDGET	1977	BUDGET	INCREASE	
REVENUE FUND	MONTHLY	ANNUAL	MONTHLY	ANNUAL	1977 OVER 1976	INCREASE
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION	\$ 38,432	\$ 461,184	\$ 46,156	\$ 553,872	\$ 92,688	20,10
ROADWAYS AND STRUCTURES	54,391	652,692	59,318	,711 ,816	59,124	9.06
TUNNEL AND BUILDING	49,251	591,012	60,771	729,252	138,240	23.39
BRIOGE	8,262	99,144	9,187	110,244	11,100	11.20
TOLL COLLECTION AND EQUIPMENT	37.828	453,936	42,542	510,504	56,568	12.46
BUS OPERATION	21,323	255,876	13,334	160,008	(95;868)	(37.47)
TOTAL	\$209,487	\$2,513,844	\$231,308	\$2,775,696	\$ 261,852	10.42
RESERVE MAINTENANCE DEPOSITS	\$ 62,500	\$ 750,000	\$ 62,500	\$ 750,000	^	

Moved by Mr. Hooper, seconded by Mr. Hessell, that the Commission confirm letter ballot action on bids received October 13, 1975, on the following projects:

Route 29, Project 0029-015-704, M-400

Left Turn Lames - Int. 683 and 0.13 Mi. S. Int. 679, Campbell County. Amerd of contract to low bidder, T. E. Brown Construction Company, Inc., Morehead City, North Carolina.

B1d	\$28,986.00
10% for engineering and additional work Work by State Forces	2,898.60 2,959.00
Amount chargeable to project	34.843.00

Routes 29 and 40, Projects 0029-071-1048; 0040-071-1018

Repairs to Bridge over Southern Railroad (0029-071-1048) and Bridge over Pigg River (0040-071-1018), Pittsylvania County. Award of contract to low bidder, Donald H. Salvage, Inc., Amberst, Yirginia.

Bid		\$114,90	3.00	
10% for engineering and additional	l work	11,49	0.30	
Amount chargeable to project		126,39		
To be financed from the Lynchburg	District	Primary	Maintenance	Replacement
Fund.				

Route 44, Project 0044-134-102, C-502

Widening Toll Plaza and Approaches - Berrier Toll Plaza, City of Virginia Beach. Award of contract to low bidder, E. V. Williams Company, Inc., and Williams Paving Company, Inc., Yirginia Beach, Virginia.

B1d	\$319,326.44
10% for engineering and additional work	31,932.64
Amount chargeable to project	351,259.00
To be financed from State of Virginia Toll	Ravenue Bond Issue 1965.

Routes 58 and 46, Projects 0058-012-1037; 1036; 1039; 0046-012-1040

Bridge Repairs - Various Locations, Brunswick County. Award of contract to low bidder, Donald H. Selvage, Inc., Amberst, Virginia.

B1d	\$74,052.33
10% for engineering and additional work	7,405.23
Amount chargeable to project	81,457.0D
To be finenced from the Richmond District	Primary Maintenance Replacement
Fund.	·

Route 58, Project 0058-038-102, G-303, B-608, B-609, B-610

1.928 Mi. E. of ECL Independence - 4.438 Mi. W. of WCL Galax, Grayson County. Award of contract to low bidder, H. B. Rowe & Company, Inc., Mount Airy, North Carolina.

Bid \$2,246,295.38 10% for engineering and additional work 224,629.53 Work by State Forces 5,060.00 Amount chargeable to project 2.475,984.00

Route 58, Projects 0058-071-708, N-400; 709, N-400

Left Turn Lanes - MP. 2.42 - MP. 9.53 (East of Danville); MP. 19.12 - MP. 28.87 (West of Danville), Pittsylvania County. Award of contract to low bidder, Thompson-Arthur Paving Company, Danville, Virginia.

Bid \$138,126.20 10% for engineering and additional work 13,812.62 Work by State Forces 9,707.50 Amount chargeable to project 161,646.00 \$101,646.00 to be provided for in future Primary Construction Allocations.

Route 58, Project 6058-087-103, C-501, 8-605, B-607, B-609

3.832 Mi. W. Int. 268 - 0.182 Mi. W. Int. 258, Southempton County. Award of contract to low bidder, Henry S. Branscome, Inc., Williamsburg, Virginia.

81d \$3,158,844.62
10% for engineering and additional work
Work by State Forces 15,491.30
Reilroad 18,713.00
Flagging 8,250.00
Amount chargeable to project 3,517,183.00
\$296,142.00 to be provided for in future Primary Construction Allocations.

Route 64, Projects 0064-002-2047; 2048

Joint Repairs to Twin Bridges over C & O Railroad and Rivanna River, Albemarie County. Award of contract to low bidder, Donald H. Selvage, Inc., Amberst, Virginia.

\$52,706.00
10% for engineering and additional work 5,270.60
Amount chargeable to project 57,976.00
To be financed from the Culpeper Interstate Maintanance Replacement Fund.

Route 64, Projects 0064-114-103, C-501, B-603, B-604, B-623; U000-114-104, C-501

0.192 Mi. W. Int. Magruder Boulevard - 0.030 Mi. E. Int. Reloc. Pine Chapel Road and Magruder Boulevard Interchange - Cumningham Drive, City of Hampton. Award of contract to low bidder, Ames & Webb, Inc., Norfolk, Virginia.

Bid \$4,477,791.22 \$80,937.50 10% for engineering and additional work by State Forces 23,206.00 Amount chargeable to project 5,037,807.00

Route 66, Project 0066-030-002, G-303, B-642, B-650

1.674 Mt. E. Warren CL - 4.401 Mt. E. Warren CL, Fauquier County. Award of contract to low bidder, Julius Branscome, Inc., and Julius L. Branscome, Woodbridge, Virginia.

81d	\$2,645,595.09
10% for engineering and additional work	264,559.50
Work by State Forces	4,898.00
Amount chargeable to project	2,915,052.00

Route 220, Project 0220-044-708, M-400

Franklin CL (MP. 0.00) - North Carolina State Line (MP. 23.20), Henry County. Award of contract to low bidder, Transportation Safety Systems, Inc., Columbus, Ohio.

Bid 10% for engineering and additional work	\$155,000.00 15,500.00
Work by State Forces	8,668.00
Amount chargeable to project	179,168.00

Route 360, Project 0360-073-703, M-400

Correction of Fill Stides - Meherrin - 1.5 Mi. E. Nottoway CL, Prince Edward County. Award of contract to low bidder, D. S. Nash Construction Company, Appointment, Yirginia.

Bid \$374,181.85 10% for engineering and additional work 37,418.18 Amount chargeable to project 411,500.00 To be financed from the Lynchburg District Primary Maintenance Replacement Fund.

Route 460, Project 0460-092-703, N-400

Presplitting of Rock Slopes - 0.313 Mi. E. WCL Cedar Bluff - 0.282 Mi. E. ECL Cedar Bluff, Tazewell County. Award of contract to low bidder, Wiley M. Jackson Company, Roanoke, Virginia.

Bid \$234,711.55 10% for engineering and additional work 23,471.15 Amount chargeable to project 258,182.00

Route 600, Project 0600-022-121, C-501, B-616

Bridge and Approaches Potts Creek, Craig County. Award of contract to low bidder, B & F Company, Salem, Virginia.

Bid \$149,352.10
10% for engineering and additional work 14,935.21
Work by State Forces 3,055.25
Amount chargeable to project 167,342.00
\$108,000.00 to be provided for in future Secondary Funds.

Route 620, Project 0620-029-152, C-501, B-626

Int. 617 - 0.436 Mf. E. Int. 495, Fairfax County. Award of contract to low bidder, Shirley Contracting Corporation and Robert E. Post, Alexandria, Virginia.

Bid \$1,186,387.00
10% for engineering and additional work 118,638.10
Utilities 18,054.53
Amount chargeable to project 1,323,073.00
Acct. Rec. Washington Gas Light Company - \$1,540.00
Acct. Rec. Fairfax County Water Authority - \$2,593.00
Acct. Rec. County of Fairfax - \$15,792.43
\$160,000.00 to be provided for in future Secondary Funds.

Route 626, Project 0626-007-177, C-501, B-638

1.651 Mi. N. Int. 612 - 0.048 Mi. N. Int. 744, Augusta County. Award of contract to low bidder, Garrett, Moon & Pool, Inc., Blackstone, Virginia.

8id \$320,861.60 10% for engineering and additional work 32,086.16 Utilities 6,731.00 Amount chargeable to project 359,678.00 Acct. Rec. C & P Telephone Company - \$5,940.00

Route 647, Project 0647-006-126, C-501, B-609

Int. 689 - Int. 691, Appointtox County. Award of contract to low bidder, Pearson & White Construction, Inc., Appointtox, Virginia.

31d	\$185,334.00
10% for engineering and additional work	18,533.40
Nork by State Forces	1,100.00
Utilities	2,271.00
Railroad	14,440,00
Flagging	4,400.00
Amount chargeable to project	226,078.00
Acct. Rec. Norfolk & Western Railroad Com	Dany - \$21.674.00

Route 891, Project 0891-029-241, 8-665

Drainage Structure at Pike Branch, Fairfax County. Award of contract to low bidder, Haymes Brothers, Inc., Chatham, Yirginia.

Bid	\$57,890.74
10% for engineering and additional work	5,789.07
Amount chargeable to project \$4,000.00 to be provided for in future Sec	63,679.00

Project PR-7-76

Pavement Repairs - Stafford CL - Fairfax CL (Route 95), Prince William County. Award of contract to low bidder, A. N. Johnston Construction Company, Fredericks-burg, Virginia.

B1d	\$280,000.00
10% for engineering and additional work	28,000.00
Amount chargeable to project	308,000.00
To be financed from the Culpaper District	Interstate Maintenance Replacement
Fund.	The state of the s

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Mr. Hooper, seconded by Mr. Hassell, that the Commission confirm letter ballot action rejecting bids received October 13, 1976, and authorize readvertisement of the following projects:

Route 11, Project 0011-115-101, C-501, B-601

0.020 Mi. S. SCL Harrisonburg - 0.037 Mi. S. Int. Monument Avenue, City of Harrisonburg. Low bid - 21.9% over estimate.

Route 30, Project 0030-050-109, N-501

NCL West Point - 2.043 Mi. N. NCL West Point, King William County. Low bid - 37.7% over estimate.

Route 77, Project 0077-010-102, L-801

Drilled Well - NBL - 7 Mi. N. of Bland (Routes 21 and 52) and SBL - 10 Mi. N. of Bland (Routes 21 and 52), Bland County. Low bid - 109.3% over estimate.

Route 77, Project 0077-017-102, L-801

Drilled Well - M. of North Carolina Line, Carroll County. Low bid - 109.3% over estimate.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Mr. Glass,

seconded by Mr. Beeton,

that

WHEREAS, by proper resolutions, the Boards of Supervisors of Alleghany, Charlotte and Halifax Counties have requested that certain roads which no longer serve as a public necessity be discontinued as parts of the Secondary System of Highways;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 33.1-150 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, the following roads be discontinued as parts of the Secondary System of Highways, effective this date:

Alleghamy County - Route 605 from the intersection of Route 600	
eastwardly 1.40 miles	1.40 Niles
- Route 600 from the Bath County line to its	
intersection with Route 666	2.70 Miles
Charlotte County - Section 15 of old location Route 646 from	
Route 15 southeasterly 0.10 mile, Project	
0646-019-127, C-501	0,10 Hila
Halifax County - Sections 3, 6 and 7 of old location Route	
682 between Station 113+00 and Station	
157+15, Project 0682-041-144, C-501	0,27 M17e

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Mr. Janney,

seconded by Mr. Fralin,

that

WHEREAS, in accordance with the statutes of the Commonwealth of Virginia and policies of the Highway and Transportation Commission, a location and design public hearing was held in the Lancaster County Courthouse, Lancaster, Virginia, on August 27, 1976, at 10:00 a.m., for the purpose of considering the proposed improvement of Route 3 from 0.053 mile east of the intersection of Route 201 (Lively) to 0.002 mile south of the North Corporate Limits of Kilmarnock in Lancaster County, State Projects 0003-051-110, C-501; 0003-051-109, C-501; 0003-051-102, C-502; 0003-051-111, C-501; and

MHEREAS, proper notice was given in advance and all those present were given a full opportunity to express their opinions and recommendations for or against the proposed projects as presented, and their statements being duly recorded; and

WHEREAS, the economic, social and environmental effects of the proposed projects 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 location and major design features of these projects be approved in accordance with the plan as proposed and presented at the said location and design public hearing by the Department's engineers, amended to use a 12' flush median from the curb and gutter at Lively to about 500' west of the intersection of Route 620 and to provide a transition from Route 500 to the curb and gutter section at Lancaster using a flush median, thus reducing the wide median width adjacent to villages.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Mr. Hooper,

seconded by Mr. Janney.

that

WHEREAS, Route 3 in Spotsylvania County has been altered and reconstructed as shown on plans for Project D003-088-102, C-501; and

WHEREAS, one section of the old road is no longer necessary as a public road, the new road serving the same citizens as the old;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 33.1-148 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, 0.08 mile of old Route 3, shown in red and designated as Section 1 on the plat dated October 6, 1976, Project 0003-088-102, C-501, be abandoned as a part of the State Highway System.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Mr. Roos,

seconded by Kr. Glass,

that

MHEREAS, in accordance with the statutes of the Commonwealth of Virginia and policies of the Highway and Transportation Commission, a location and design public hearing was held in the Suffolk District Office Auditorium. Suffolk, Virginia, on July 28, 1976, at 7:30 p.m., for the purpose of considering the proposed improvement of Route 10 from 2.087 miles north of the intersection of Route 460 (Elephant Fork) in the City of Suffolk, State Project 0010-061-101, C-502; 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 proposed project as presented, and their statements being duly recorded; and

WHEREAS, the economic, social and environmental effects of the proposed project 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 location and major design features of this project be approved in accordance with the plan as proposed and presented at the said location and design public hearing by the Department's engineers, amended to follow the existing alignment from the bypass to Route 460, developing on the west side.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Mr. Hooper,

seconded by Mr. Janney.

that

WHEREAS, Route 460 in Tazemell County has been altered and reconstructed as shown on plans for Project 0460-092-103, C-505; and

WHEREAS, one section of the old road is no longer necessary as a public road, the new road serving the same citizens as the old;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 33.1-148 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, 0.09 mile of old Route 460, shown in blue and designated as Section 1 on the plat dated September 10, 1975, Project 0460-092-103, C-505, be abandoned as a part of the State Highway System.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Mr. Hall,

seconded by Mr. Beeton,

that

WHEREAS, Section 33.7-223 of the Code of Virginia sets forth that the General Assembly of Virginia has found and declared that it is "... in the public interest that access roads and bikeways to public recreational areas and historical sites be provided by using highway funds ..."; provides highway funds for such purpose; and further provides that "The State Highway and Transportation Commission and the Commission of Outdoor Recreation are hereby authorized to make regulations to carry out the provisions of this section."; and

MMEREAS, the Commission of Dutdoor Recreation and the State Highway and Transportation Commission have adopted a joint policy to govern the use of recreational access funds pursuant to Section 33.1-223 of the Code of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of Big Stone Gap has by resolution requested the use of recreational access funds to provide access to the Archery Range Park, located in the Town of Big Stone Gap in Wise County, estimated to cost \$150,000; and

NHEREAS, this request has been considered by the Commission of Outdoor Recreation and has been found to comply fully with the provisions of Section 33.1-223; and

WHEREAS, the Commission of Outdoor Recreation has recommended the construction of the aforementioned access:

KOM, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that \$150,000 from the 1976-77 recreational access fund be allocated to provide access to the Archery Range Park, located in the Town of Big Stone Gap in Wise County, Project 9999-101-101, C-501, contingent upon the necessary right of way and adjustment of utilities being provided at no cost to the Commonwealth.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Mr. Hooper,

seconded by Mr. Janney.

that

WHEREAS, Route 360 in Richmond County has been altered and reconstructed as shown on plans for Project 6360-079-107, C-502; and

WHEREAS, two sections of the old road are no longer necessary as a public road, the new road serving the same citizens as the old, and three sections of the old road are to be transferred to the Secondary System:

NOM, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 33.1-148 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, 0.298 mile of old location of Route 360, shown in blue and designated as Sections 1 and 5 on the plat dated June 2, 1976, Project 6360-079-107, C-502, be abandoned as a part of the State Highway System; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 33.1-35 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, 1.234 miles of old location of Route 360, shown in red and designated as Sections 2, 3 and 4 on the plat and project referred to hereinabove be transferred from the Primary System to the Secondary System of Highways.

MOTION CARRIED

The chairman mentioned the new guidelines recently put out by the Federal Government relative to the removal of non-conforming outdoor advertising signs and pointed out the difficulties in administering a removal program following these guidelines. He stated that an extension of the Motorist Services Signing program, which had been so successful on 1-95, to other routes would be one way to encourage removal of signs by the owners along Interstate routes and suggested that the Department move shead with these signs on 1-81. On motion of Mr. Crowe, seconded by Mr. Landes, the Commission authorized the Department to proceed with the erection of these signs on 1-81 and to study all other completed sections to determine if other routes should be considered.

The Commission engaged in a general discussion of bus operation in the state and the funding required.

The next meeting of the Commission will be held in Richmond on December 16, 1976, at 10 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:36 p.m.

Approved:

Chairman

Attest: