

PIEDMONT TRIAD RURAL PLANNING ORGANIZATION

MINUTES

Joint Meeting of the Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC) and Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC)

April 20, 2016

TAC Members Attending

Jimmy Blake	Town of Biscoe
Alvin Foster	Town of Yanceyville
Stan Haywood	Randolph County
Edward Burks	City of Asheboro
Jackie Morris	Montgomery County
Mark Richardson	Rockingham County
Cheryl McQueary	NCDOT Board of Transportation Member for Division 7

RPO Staff

Kelly Larkins	Piedmont Triad Regional Council
Jesse Day	Piedmont Triad Regional Council

TCC Members Attending

George T. Murphy	Town of Wentworth
Ed Lewis	NCDOT, Division 7
Darius Sturdivant	NCDOT, Division 8
Jennifer Britt	NCDOT, Division 8
John Grant	NCDOT, Division 8
Greg Patton	City of Randleman
Jeff York	Randolph County
Brandon Holland	Town of Biscoe
Trevor Nuttall	City of Asheboro
Donna Setliff	City of Reidsville

On the Phone

Michael Abuya	NCDOT, TPB
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The meeting began at 1:32 pm.

Welcome

- I. **Conflict of Interest.** Mr. Jimmy Blake read the conflict of interest statement. No one indicated any conflict(s) of interest.
- II. **Welcome and Introductions.** Mr. Blake welcomed those in attendance, reviewed the agenda and opened the meeting.
- III. **Public Comment.** Mr. Blake asked for public comment, but no comments were offered.

Presentation

- IV. **Division 7 Presentation.** Ms. Cheryl McQueary, the NCDOT Board of Transportation Member for Division 7, presented on activities within the division. She highlighted economic development projects, growth at the Piedmont Triad International Airport, rail transportation within the division, and upcoming bicycle and pedestrian projects in Greensboro. Ms. McQueary also emphasized the importance of rural counties continuing to receive transportation funding.

Action Items

- V. **February 17, 2016 Meeting Minutes.** The meeting minutes were shared. Mr. Stan Haywood made a motion to adopt the minutes and Mr. Greg Patton seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- VI. **Approval of 2016-2017 PWP.** Mr. Larkins discussed the 2016-2017 Planning Work Plan for the RPO, noting that this draft Planning Work Program is similar to the current one. The RPO will receive the same amount of funding next year as the current year. He also discussed

several work items expected to be either started or continued in the upcoming year such as expected updates to the Human Services Locally Coordinated Plans (LCPs) in Caswell County and Rockingham County; CTPs potentially starting in Reidsville, Stoneville, and Liberty; continuation of the Streetscape Assessment Program; focused attention on improving rural safety; and continued work on SPOT 4.0.

Mr. Jackie Morris made a motion to approve the 2016-2017 PWP and Mr. Mark Richardson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- VII. Approval of Five-Year Planning Calendar.** Mr. Larkins discussed the Draft Five-Year Planning Calendar and noted it contains standard on-going work of the RPO over a five-year horizon. A draft version of the Five-Year Planning Calendar was presented at the February 20 meeting and there have been no changes since that date.

Mr. Trevor Nuttall made a motion to approve the Five-Year Planning Calendar and Mr. Alvin Foster seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- VIII. FY 2016-2017 Local Match Amounts.** Mr. Larkins presented the local match amounts for the upcoming fiscal year. Mr. Larkins mentioned that there have been no changes since a draft version of this information was presented at the meeting on February 20.

Mr. Jackie Morris made a motion to approve the FY 2016-2017 Local Match Amounts and Mr. Alvin Foster seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- IX. Resolution for Randolph County TIGER Grant.** Mr. Nuttall mentioned that there is a county task force looking to move the Deep River State Trail forward and that the project is supported by both the county and PTRC's planning staff. Mr. Nuttall noted that the TIGER Grant that is being submitted to NCDOT will be for both design and construction of the trail for roughly 18 miles, with a special emphasis on essential connections that will tie the Franklinville portion with the Ramseur portion of the trail. He also mentioned that there is typically a match involved when asking for a TIGER Grant, but because Randolph County is rural, no such match is needed. Mr. Nuttall concluded by saying that while this grant application process is competitive, at the least Randolph County would receive feedback that can be applied to future applications that may be submitted.

Mr. Stan Haywood made a motion to approve the resolution for the Randolph County TIGER Grant and Mr. Greg Patton seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Discussion Items

- X. SPOT Project Update.** Mr. Larkins noted that the preliminary SPOT scores had been released by NCDOT and gave a brief overview of the revised schedule going forward. Mr. Ed Lewis noted the efforts of Division 7 in reaching out to partner MPO and RPOs.
- XI. State Ethics – Conflict of Interest Evaluations.** Mr. Larkins noted that the State Ethics Commission has identified several members of the TAC that have potential conflicts of interest after filing their 2016 Statement of Economic Interest and Real Estate Disclosure forms. Mr. Larkins also noted that the State Ethics Commission requires that the names of members with potential conflicts of interest be recorded in the minutes of the TAC meeting and the list be brought to the attention of the RPO Chair. The members on the list are Daryl Carter, Alvin Foster, Jim Matheny, David Owen, and Mark Richardson.

Other Business

- XII. Division Updates**
- **Division 7** – Ed Lewis provided a written and verbal report.
 - **Division 8** – Darius Sturdivant provided a written and verbal report.

- XIII. TPB Update.** Mr. Michael Abuya noted that the CTP study for Caswell County is currently underway.
- XIV. Local Updates.** No updates.
- XV. RPO Update.** Mr. Larkins mentioned that there will be SPOT meetings in each of the counties and asked for recommendations for meeting locations. Mr. Nuttall asked how the public input will factor into the technical scores that were just released. Mr. Day explained how the final scoring would work and the importance local input points can have in determining which projects will be eventually selected.
- XVI. New Business.** Mr. Larkins noted that the North Carolina Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations' annual conference will be held Wednesday, May 11 through Friday, May 13 at the Greensboro Downtown Marriott.
- XVII. Adjourn.** Mr. Blake adjourned the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:38 pm.

James (Jimmy) Blake, TAC Chair

Date

Kelly Larkins, Secretary

Date

