



March 21, 2017

10:00 AM

Carteret County Health Department
A B C Conference Room
3820 Bridges Street Morehead City, NC 28557

Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC) Minutes

TCC Members in Attendance:

Don Baumgardner
Beth Bucksot
Jeff Cabaniss
Randy Cantor
Maurizia Chapman
Scott Chase
Bob Chambers
Catherine Bryant
Josh Edmondson

Michele Shreve
Gene Foxworth
Stacy Allen
Greg Lewis
Katrina Marshall
Alan Pytcher
Chris Seaberg
Scott Sherrill
Linda Staab

ECC Members in Attendance:

Patrick Flanagan
Leighann Morgan

Guests in Attendance:

Liamcy Hogan, NCDOT TEA

1. **Call to Order** – Scott Sherrill, Chairman TCC called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.
2. **Public Comment Period** – no public comment
3. **ACTION: Approval of Minutes**
Minutes of the January 24, 2017 meetings are attached and presented for approval.
Minutes are tabled for the correction of Beth Bucksot comments
4. **Staff Report** – Patrick Flanagan stated the following 2017 Meeting Schedule and location.
 - a. 2017 Meeting Schedule: Crystal Coast Civic Center 10:00–11:30 a.m.
 - i. May 23, 2017
 - ii. July 18, 2017
 - iii. September 19, 2017
 - iv. November 21, 2017

- b. Patrick stated the P5.0 is not very far in the process but will have 8 carry over projects, which will have 20 slots for each mode. There are currently 44 projects, which is 20 projects over, will need to decide which ones to cut. Changes in criteria will need to be submitted by June 16th and any modifications. July 5th the online tool opens till September 15th.

5. Standing Committee, Commission, and Association Reports

- a. **Highway 17 Association Update** – no update
- b. **Highway 70 Commission Update** Patrick Flanagan stated the commission met March 16th and the main discussion was the CXS terminal, which will serve the entire East Coast and will be good for the state and ports. Greg Lewis stated that Representative Torbett seems to be a good advocate to make the port projects state projects. Patrick Flanagan stated that a mega project bill was introduced and General Trogdon is trying to spend down monies down by expending projects that will leave potential for projects to be funded. The Northern Carteret Bypass was taken out of the system because it is a \$400 million project, exceeding corridor cap. There is hopes the Havelock By-pass will be farther in litigation and the Carteret Bypass can be re-entered.

There was talk about the port expanding but not able to due to lack of funds and if the RPO can do anything of the situation.

- c. **Logistics Update** – no update
- d. **Transit Update** – Randy Cantor stated that CCATS rider ship is up 31% in comparing to the last 4 years. This is due to the Park & Ride system in conjunction with DOT & Cherry Point. CCATS has 2 satellite offices, Cherry Point & Emerald Isle. There has been failed attempts to connect with CARTS to help regionalize transit in the Swansboro & Havelock areas. CCATS is on track to convert 10 vehicles to propane and will have a new facility to administer the propane usage.

Patrick Flanagan suggested a letter to CARTS from the RPO to help with open the communication between CCATS & CARTS.

Scott Chase motioned to support the letter, seconded by Chris Seaberg, unanimously approved.

6. NCDOT Division Reports

- a. Division 2: Jeff Cabaniss gave a handout and highlighted projects in division 2. For more information contact jcabaniss@ncdot.gov
- b. Division 3: Alan Pytcher gave a handout and highlighted projects in division 3. For more information contact apytcher@ncdot.gov
- c. Planning Branch: Catherine Bryant stated the Craven CTP is expanding on the New Bern model to include Craven County. The Onslow CTP is in internal review and will have public involvement in May.

Randy Cantor asked if Carteret could get an LCP done. Patrick stated that is do able.

7. ACTION: Prioritization 5.0 Subcommittee

The DERPO has created a subcommittee to be the initial representatives to review all relevant prioritization information and make recommendations to the TCC. This group consists of at least one member from each County. Kyle Garner & Randy Cantor from Carteret; Don Baumgardner & Chad Strawn from Craven; Franky Howard from Jones; Scott Chase from Onslow and Beth Bucksot from Pamlico were nominated to be a representative for the subcommittee.

Gene Foxworth motioned to approve nominated subcommittee, seconded by Linda Staab, unanimously approved.

8. INFORMATION: State Planning Funds FY17-18

Patrick Flanagan stated NCDOT has increased the funding for RPOs across the state. Each RPO in the state received a 15% increase in state funds; this will necessitate a 15% increase in local match as well. Patrick stated this is a \$3,649 increase in dues and showed the approximate dues for each county. DOT lifted the cap and RPO can now contract out and will be looking to see if this is a benefit or not.

9. ACTION: Planning Work Program FY17-18

Patrick Flanagan handed out the Planning Work Program, which is the budget for our RPO in the upcoming year. This document outlines the projects we will work on and the products we will produce for NCDOT. The majority of this year's budget is focused on SPOT, current STIP project development and the Onslow and Craven County CTPs.

Linda Staab motioned to approve the Planning Work Program, seconded by Gene Foxworth, unanimously approved.

10. Other Business

Don Baumgardner asked how the RPO director is reviewed and how pay can be increased. The amount of superb work that has been yielded over the past years needs to be reflected. Greg Lewis agreed to increase the pay for the director for the effort that has been put forth.

Maurizia Chapman stated New Bern MPO is hosting the statewide RPO conference April 26th-28th at the New Bern Convention Center, cost before April 7th is \$175, there will be a speaker from Bern Switzerland, there will be mobile tours, ferry, bike & walking tours.

11. Adjournment

Scott Chase motioned to adjourn meeting, seconded by Greg Lewis.

Respectfully submitted,



Katrina Marshall, DERPO TCC Vice-Chair



Patrick Flanagan, DERPO Secretary

