



January 30, 2018

10:00 AM

Eastern Carolina Council
233 Middle Street New Bern, NC 28560

Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) Minutes

TAC Members in Attendance:

Johnnie Sampson
Joe Wiggins
Royce Bennett
Candy Bohmert

TCC Members in Attendance:

Franky Howard
Alan Pytcher
Diane Hampton
Larry Squires
Catherine Bryant

ECC Staff in Attendance:

Patrick Flanagan
Leighann Morgan
Chris York

- 1. Call to Order** – *Johnnie Sampson, Chair pro-tem called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m., quorum was met.*
- 2. Ethics Awareness & Conflict of Interest Statement** – no conflict found. Johnnie Sampson said an Invocation.
- 3. Public Comment Period** – Patrick Flanagan reported on two public comments that were made during the TCC meeting.
- 4. ACTION: Election of Officers**
Currently, Eddie Barber is the Chair; he has served one year out of a possible two-year term. The Vice-Chair is Hugh Overholt; he has served one year out of a possible two-year term.
Unanimously approved to keep same officers.

5. ACTION: Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the November 28, 2017 meetings are attached and presented for approval.
Candy motioned to approve minutes, seconded by Joe Wiggins, unanimously approved.

6. Staff Report

- a. 2018 Meeting Schedule 10:00–11:30 a.m.
 - i. April 24, 2018
 - ii. June 26, 2018
 - iii. August 28, 2018
 - iv. October 30, 2018
- b. SPOT 5.0 schedule – Patrick Flanagan stated that DOT has looked at projects submitted and will be doing a cost estimate that is due back in 2 weeks. He highlighted other important dates for the P5.0 schedule.
- c. Transit Update – Patrick Flanagan stated that CCATS is now offering a daily transit route from Carteret County to Raleigh, by collaborating with Public Transportation Division, called the Down East Express.

7. Standing Committee, Commission, and Association Reports

Patrick Flanagan stated the HWY 17/64 met in Bethel the previous week; he stated the Greenville MPO is doing a Regional Freight plan of Eastern North Carolina, which will include HWY 70 and North, Divisions 1,2 and 4.

Patrick Flanagan stated the HWY 70 Commission was postponed and will meet in March.

8. NCDOT Division Reports

- a. Division 2: Diane Hampton reported for Jeff Cabaniss. A Handout that highlighted projects in Division 2 was given out. For more information contact Jeff Cabaniss at jcabaniss@ncdot.gov
- b. Division 3: Alan Pytcher gave a handout and highlighted projects in Division 3. For more information contact Alan Pytcher at apytcher@ncdot.gov
- c. Planning Division: Catherine Bryant gave a handout with updates from the TPD
 - Craven County CTP Update – a goals and objective survey has been discussed to help identify concerns for transportation-related issues.
 - Onslow County CTP Update - Jacksonville MPO has added new projects and the CTP has been submitted to management for approval.

9. ACTION: DERPO Local Input Point Methodology

Patrick Flanagan stated each MPO and RPO in the state must have a locally adopted methodology that will direct how local input points are assigned to the various projects in Prioritization 5. It is time to update our Local Point Assignment Methodology. Patrick Flanagan showed the local input point methodology and how it works. It is suggested to put points on projects to get them closer to the cut off line. The closer we get the projects to the line the better the chance of getting funded. TCC has recommended the DERPO Local Input Point Methodology.

Candy motioned to approve the recommended methodology, seconded by Johnnie Sampson, unanimously approved.

10. DISCUSSION: DRAFT FY 18-19 Planning Work Program

Patrick Flanagan presented 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. The document also separates out direct and indirect costs.

11. Other Business

Diane Hampton introduced herself as the Division 2 Corridor Development Engineer.

Alan Pytcher stated his job title changed to Division 3 Corridor Development Engineer.

Patrick Flanagan introduced Chris York as the new ECC Community Planner.

Patrick Flanagan stated the Down East RPO Public Involvement Plan has not been updated since 2006. We need to decide what methods work best for distributing information and receiving feedback from the public. There will be a short survey distributed to help with gathering this information.

12. Adjournment – Joe Wiggins motioned to adjourn the meeting.