

Kyle DeHaven
TCC Chair



Keely Koonce
TCC Vice-Chair

Eastern Carolina Rural Planning Organization

March 26th, 2020 – 9:30 a.m.

Held via web-conference due to global health crisis

MINUTES for TCC

TCC Members in Attendance: Kyle DeHaven, George Futrelle, Woody Brinson, Angel Venecia, Angie Greene, Misty Chase, Karen Collete, Kevin Bowling, Harold Thomas, Keely Koonce, Rick Barkes, Bailey Harden, Charles Brown

DOT members in Attendance: Len White, Jimmy Eatmon, Diane Hampton, Preston Hunter, Jeff Cabaniss, Alan Pytcher, Liam Hogan-Rivera

TAC Members in Attendance: Bennie Heathe, Carolyn Kenyon, Barbara Kornegay

ECC Staff in Attendance: Mickey Anderson, Katie Bordeoux, Leighann Morgan, BJ Eversole

Call to order – Kyle DeHaven, Chairman TCC, called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m., a quorum was met.

1. **Public Comment Period** – No public comment
2. **ACTION: Approval of Minutes**
Minutes of the November 21st, 2019 Meeting were presented for approval. Charles Brown motioned to approve the minutes, seconded by Harold Thomas, unanimously approved.
3. **ACTION: Election of Vice Chair**
Kyle DeHaven stated that this is a two-year position and opened the floor for nominations. Rick Barkes motioned to nominate Harold Thomas. Harold Thomas motioned to nominate Keely Koonce, Rick Barkes seconded, unanimously approved.
4. **ECC Staff Report** – Mickey Anderson
 - a. SPOT Schedule
 - b. 2020 Meeting Location and Dates
Mickey went over the current SPOT 6.0 schedule. The 2020 meetings are still scheduled for the 3rd Thursday of every other month, 9:30am, at the La Grange Community Center. Location may move to online pending the COVID-19 crisis. Ended with an introduction, coming into the ECRPO in January, attending 2020 Transportation Summit,

participating in ongoing state transportation planning efforts, and gave an update on the Kinston Bypass.

5. NCDOT Reports

- a. Division 2 – *Len White shared that the Shallow Bypass Alternative was selected to continue with the Kinston Bypass project, and that the Harvey Bypass Project is almost complete and should be ready by the end of the year.*
- b. Division 3 – *Alan Pytcher asked to have the construction report distributed, gave an update to the I-40 project from Johnston to Duplin is primarily in Sampson county, and the contracts for NC-210, NC-24, NC-41, and NC-50.*
- c. Division 4 – *Jimmy Eatmon shared that Country Club Road should be finished in April, that they have started shoulder repair on I-795 from Wilson County line to Goldsboro, and have started two new bridge projects on South Jordan Chapel Road and Thunder Swamp Road.*
- d. Transportation Planning Division – *Liam Hogan-Rivera told us that TPD is still working and they are able to provide support through this time, 3rd quarter invoice date has been pushed back to June 30th along with the 4th Quarter.*

Woody Brinson asked Alan about the status of the realignment of Bruce Colsten Road and Blackmore Road; Alan will reach out with that update.

e. Public Transit

Duplin County Update – Angel Venecia shared that ridership has decreased by approximately 50% during the pandemic, still providing essential services, have been approved for a 5339 grant to build their transit operations facility.

Greene County Update – Misty Chase – No update

Lenoir County Update - Angie Green stated that their ridership has reduced 50-70% during the pandemic, still providing service for essential activities.

Wayne County Update –Karen Collet stood in for Don Willis and shared that they are still running bus and van routes, ridership has decreased and staff is taking precaution during the pandemic.

f. Aviation

Duplin County Update – George Futrelle shared that traffic is down and the airport is taking precautions, hangar projects are finishing up, site prep for a 7 acre track is wrapping up, and they will soon post notice to proceed with 2 large hangar projects.

Lenoir County Update – Rick Barkes stated that there has been a drop in operational business, reduced staffing, most events have been cancelled, and projects are moving forward.

Wayne County Update – Charles Brown stood in for Mike Bass, shared the Mount Olive received approval for their 10 Year ALP, they are in the final stages of of a north-south parallel taxiway, and they are finalizing AWAS.

- 6. ACTION: DRAFT FY 20-21 Planning Work Program**
Mickey Anderson went over the Draft PWP for FY 20-21, acknowledged changes compared to last year's. Charles Brown motioned to recommend Draft PWP to TAC for approval, seconded by Harold Thomas, unanimously approved.
- 7. ACTION: SPOT Submission Recommendations**
Diane Hampton gave a presentation discussing STI law, scoring overview, and SPOT deadlines. Harold Thomas inquired about how to handle projects that are currently listed as regional, but could have a statewide impact. Diane encouraged Mickey to setup another meeting to discuss these options further. Mickey Anderson gave a presentation of all projects to be submitted. Woody Brinson asked about the status of H90053-A, Mickey will get this information to him at a later date. There was a discussion, H141397 will be removed as it will included in another DOT project, H184400 was removed and the Spine Road project was put in its place. Charles Brown made a motion to recommend submissions to TAC with proposed changes, seconded by Harold Thomas, unanimously approved.
- 8. Other Business**
Woody Brinson asked to continue with SPOT Subcommittee meetings, Mickey Anderson agreed.
- 9. Adjournment**
Woody Brinson motioned to adjourn, seconded by Charles Brown, unanimously approved and the meeting adjourned at 11:15am.

Respectfully submitted,

Kyle DeHaven, ECRPO TCC Chair

Micajah Anderson, ECRPO Secretary