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TCC Chair



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TAC Vice-Chair

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**January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022 • 10:00 a.m.**

Virtual (via Zoom)

**Attendance:**

Don Baumgardner – Chair, Craven County  
Katrina Marshall – City of Havelock  
David Rief – Town of Cedar Point  
B.J. Eversole – Eastern Carolina Council\*  
Kim Maxey – New Bern MPO\*  
Mickey Anderson – ECC\*  
Stephen Overby – Town of Peletier\*  
Josh Edmonston – Town of Emerald Isle  
Shaune Southard – Town of Bogue  
Tom Kies – Carteret County Chamber  
Franky Howard – Jones County Manager  
Tim White – Town of Indian Beach  
Bryan Chadwick – DERPO TAC\*  
Ethan Brogden\*

Beth Bucksot – Vice Chair, Pamlico County  
Len White – NCDOT Division 2  
Stephanie Ayers – NC State Ports Authority  
Sandi Watkins – Town of Morehead City  
Christopher Connolly – NCDOT TPD  
Felicia McRee – New Bern MPO\*  
Randy Cantor – CCATS  
Leighann Morgan – ECC\*  
Diane Miller – Town of Oriental  
Zack Steffey – Town of Cape Carteret  
Greg Hartman – Carteret County Planner  
Haywood Daughtry – NCDOT  
Jeff Wood – Craven Economic Dev.  
Catherine Peele – NCDOT Ferry Division

**TCC Meeting Minutes**

- 1. Call to Order** – *Katrina Marshall, TCC Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:00am. Quorum was met and maintained throughout the meeting.*
- 2. Public Comment Period** – *No public comments.*
- 3. ACTION: Approval of Minutes**  
The agenda for the meeting were presented for approval.  
*Action: A motion to approve the minutes from previous meeting was made by Stephanie Ayers, seconded by Beth Bucksot, and approved unanimously.*
- 4. ACTION: Approval of Minutes**  
Minutes of the August 24, 2021 meeting were presented for approval.  
*Action: A motion to approve the minutes from previous meeting was made by Beth Bucksot, seconded by Haywood Daughtry, and approved unanimously.*

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**5. ACTION: Election of New Chair, Vice Chair**

The new year called for the election of a new Chair and Vice-Chair. Our current Chair, Katrina Marshall, was term-limited, and our Vice-Chair position was vacant.

*Action: Don Baumgardner was nominated to be the new TCC Chair by Beth Bucksot and seconded by Stephanie Ayers. He was approved unanimously by the TCC and took over running the meeting from outgoing Chair Katrina Marshall, who was thanked for her service as Chair for the last two years. Beth Bucksot was nominated for Vice Chair by Stephanie Ayers, seconded by Tom Kies, and was approved by the TCC with all yes votes except for Ms. Bucksot herself, who abstained.*

**6. DERPO Staff Report – B.J. Eversole gave an update on multiple grant opportunities, including the Bike and Pedestrian Planning Grant, the State Planning and Research Grant, and the Bike Helmet Initiative. She asked for nominations for this year’s Mobi Awards, spoke briefly about attending the upcoming NC Transportation Summit also gave the dates for the remaining TCC and TAC meetings for the year.**

**7. NCDOT Reports**

a. Division 2 – *Len White gave a brief update on construction and delays within the DERPO portion of the Division 2 area. Work on the Havelock Bypass is 40% complete and construction work on the James City upgrade to US 70 will begin in April.*

b. Transportation Planning Division – *Chris Connolly*

- i. *Craven County CTP - Chris Connolly spoke about the public meeting for the Craven County CTP that occurred on September 29, 2021 at the Craven County Cooperative Extension Building west of New Bern, but there was is a local pause due to COVID.*
- ii. *Carteret County CTP – Work on the document proper will begin in the spring.*

c. *N.C. State Ports Authority – Stephanie Ayers gave a special update to the TCC about funding coming to the Authority for the redevelopment of Radio Island, across from the existing Port of Morehead City, including \$5 million for environmental work and an EIS for development, as well as \$1.6 million to rebuild rail on the island.*

**8. Transportation Associations and Facilities Reports**

*Public Transit Update – Kelly Walker (CARTS) was not present to give an update. Randy Cantor (CCATS) spoke about the agency’s labor shortage: only 50% of driver positions filled, and a salary adjustment is planned to recruit more drivers.*

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**9. PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION: CREATION OF NEW 2024-33 STIP**

*A presentation made by B.J. Eversole on the current STIP proposal. Due to the lack of funding to program new projects, the N.C. Board of Transportation, on the recommendation of the SPOT 6.0 Workgroup, decided to bring all further work on SPOT 6.0 to a halt. It was decided that only existing STIP projects would be used to create the next STIP, and unfortunately some currently committed projects would be decommitted and subject to SPOT 7.0 prioritization. The Workgroup created a process proposal to determine which projects should remain committed; this proposal had not yet been approved by the BOT, but they were expected to approve at their February meeting (which they did). Chair Baumgardner asked about potential projects and their status, but Ms. Eversole was not able to give any status on any specific projects, as the draft STIP would not be available until later in the year.*

**10. Other Discussion** – *No additional discussion.*

**11. Adjournment** – *A motion to adjourn was made by Katrina Marshall and seconded by Stephanie Ayers; the motion was approved unanimously. Chair Baumgardner adjourned the meeting.*