



Transportation Committee Meeting Minutes of May 14, 2020

Call to Order

Mr. Agnello called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM. A quorum was confirmed.

Voting Members Present

David Goosman (Livingston District Representative), John Winkler (Chancellor District Representative), Lisa Phelps (School District Representative), Richard Thompson (Courtland District Representative), Shawn Richey (Salem District Representative), Timothy McLaughlin (Chancellor District Representative)

Others Attending by Way of WebEx Call

Alfred Durante (Lee Hill District Representative), Aviv Goldsmith (Berkeley District Representative), David Ross (Board Representative), Lynn Keene (VDOT Representative), Leon Hughes (staff), Marcie Parker (VDOT)

Others Present

Paul Agnello (staff), Rodney White (staff), Wanda Parrish (staff), Bonnie Jewell (staff), Donna Mayfield (staff)

Minutes

Mr. White briefed the committee on the March 13, 2020 minutes. Mr. Winkler made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Durante seconded the motion. The March minutes were approved by the members.

Public Comment

None

Business

Broken Flasher Sign at Pedestrian Crossing on Southpoint Pkwy - Mr. Agnello and Mr. White briefed the members on some pedestrian flashing signs on Southpoint Parkway east of Rte. 208 that are not functioning properly. VDOT requests that the County remove them. The cost of replacing one is approximately \$10,000. VDOT states that if the County removes them, they will still maintain the crosswalks without the flashing signs. Additional signs would be placed at the crosswalk to bring more awareness to it. Mr. Thompson made a motion to accept VDOT's

recommendation for replacing the flashing signs. Mrs. Phelps seconded the motion. The motion was approved by the members.

Discussion of FY21-26 Secondary Six Year Plan (SSYP) Process and Projects – Mr. Agnello gave a brief overview of the Secondary Six Year Plan. He stated that it is a part of the larger VDOT Annual Six Year Plan Process and that because of the Covid19 pandemic, it is on a later schedule than normal. There are two types of funding for the SSYP. One is Rural Paving Funding. This part of the plan consists of paving unpaved public roads or private roads that are ready to come into the state system. The second type of funding is Construction Funding from Telefees in which any existing public secondary road with a route number of 600 or higher is eligible for this funding. There is \$500,000 available for Rural Paving Funding and \$4.2 Million available for Construction Funding from Telefees for FY 21-26 SSYP. Some FY 21-25 SSYP funding has been previously committed to prior SSYPs. All FY-26 is still available. Having a project in the SSYP can enable construction projects to more easily secure right of way. It can also be used as leverage for Smart Scale and it can supplement or replace local transportation funding. There is a Public Hearing and Board of Supervisors action on May 26th for the SSYP. Then, by this summer, the SSYP will be included by the Commonwealth Transportation Board in the State Six Year Plan.

Candidate Paving Projects – Mr. Agnello gave an overview of the priority list from the Unpaved Road Projects that was approved by the Board of Supervisors on June 18, 2018. The general policy is to follow the priority list. Mr. Agnello stated that the funds aren't all available currently, but will become available in the future. The same is true for the Candidate Highway Construction Projects. The following are the top projects that are on the list or being proposed to be added to the list:

1. Mount Holly Lane/Rte. 731– completed, but with a deficit of \$10,495.
2. Mallard Road/FR163 – with a cost of \$75,000 – It was discussed that this project is likely one that Economic Development should be responsible for since the request was originated from their office.
3. Sunnybrook Farm Road/Rte. 692 – VDOT researching this due to the length of the road possibly being longer than the 0.2 that had been approved
4. Lavue Lane/Rte. 697- with a cost of \$108, 000
5. Houston Road/Rte. 651 – with a cost of \$105,000

It was decided by the Members to recommend to the Board to pay the deficit for Mount Holly Lane and the remainder of the available funds to go to the unpaved roads project account for allocation consideration next fiscal year.

Candidate Highway Construction Projects – Mr. Agnello gave an overview of the existing and candidate construction projects.

Existing Priority Projects:

1. UPC 105464-Rte. 606 West: \$100K in previous SSYP funding
2. UPC 114897-Spotsylvania Pkwy./Hospital Blvd.: \$189K in FY-23 funding
3. UPC 99962-Countywide Engineering & Survey (Ongoing): Pays for small, low cost projects: a) FY-20 allocation: \$98K, b) FY-20 expenditures: \$56K with about \$42K in previous funding

available, surplus will carry over to FY-21, c)FY-21 proposed: \$50K (not including FY-20 carry over) and d) FY-22 to FY-26 proposed: \$70K

4. UPC 99747-Countywide Traffic Services (Ongoing): Pays for traffic counts and small study requests: a) FY-20 allocation: \$73K, b) FY-20 expenditures: \$38K with about \$35K available, surplus will carry over to FY-21, c) FY-21 proposed: \$45K (not including carry over) and d) FY-22 to FY-26 proposed: \$60K

Recommendations to help Mitigate Capitol Budget Needs – Staff identified about \$1.6 Million in previous SSYP Funding from completed projects for Rte. 1/Harrison Rd. and Rte. 606 East. Staff recommends using these funds towards the following projects which would free up funds to use on other projects:

1. UPC 105464-Route 606 West: Widening to 4 lanes between I-95 and US Rte. 1 – replace \$1.2 Million in previous revenue sharing with SSYP funding
2. UPC 114897-Spotsylvania Pkwy./Hospital Blvd. – replace \$621K in FY-23 local funding with SSYP funding to make project entirely SSYP funded at \$810K
3. Andora Dr. Roundabout – replace \$600K in FY-21 local funding with SSYP funding

New Candidate Projects:

1. Waverly Village Drainage Improvements: needs about \$409K in funding for \$600K estimated total project cost
2. River Road Safety Edge (Trench Widening) Improvements: \$250K
3. Hood Drive Improvements/Widening: \$5.15 Million
4. Germanna Pointe Drive Improvements/Widening (existing roadway only): \$31 Million
5. Harrison Road Widening: Salem Church Rd. to US Rte. 1 (Smart Scale Candidate Project): \$8 Million

Committee members agreed that their first choice is number 1 and their second choice is number 2 from the New Candidate Projects list with extra funds going to the Andora Dr. roundabout.

Mr. Agnello asked if anyone had suggestions for new construction projects to be considered. Mr. Goldsmith suggested widening and straightening Rte. 608/Massaponax Church Rd. from Gunnery Hill west/New Plantation Dr. to Rte. 208/Courthouse Rd.

Discussion of the Rte. 606 Project and the Connector Road – Mr. Agnello gave an overview of the Rte. 606 Project and the Connector Road and discussed the increase in costs, which the County is responsible for. The County requested that the work being done on this project be paused so that the County could evaluate options. Members chose to table discussion pending additional information.

Informational Items

An updated 2020 Transportation Committee Meeting Schedule was provided at the meeting

An updated Transportation Committee Roster was provided at the meeting

Discussion of Potential Agenda Items for Future Meetings

Mr. Agnello states that committee will need to decide which 4 final applications will move forward on the next Smart Scale Round.

Mr. Agnello stated that there is a Comprehensive Plan Update that is being worked on. It requires that all of the Smart Scale Projects be in it as well as any other transportation priorities. The Updated Comp Plan will go before the Planning Commission and then on to the Board of Supervisors in July.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 8:02 PM.

Next Meeting

June 11, 2020