

Rural Technical Advisory Committee

Minutes: November 17th, 2015

Committee – Voting Members

Lucas Lyons, *JAUNT*
J.T. Newberry, *Albemarle County*
Chuck Proctor, *VDOT Culpeper District*
Tim Padalino, *Nelson County*
Allyson Finchum, *Louisa County*
Bart Svoboda, *Greene County*
Jason Stewart, *Fluvanna County*
Rick Youngblood, *VDOT Lynchburg District*

TJPDC Staff

Chip Boyles
Will Cockrell
Wood Hudson
Nick Morrison

Call to Order:

Mr. Padalino called the meeting to order.

Matters from the Public:

There were no matters from the public.

Approval of Minutes:

Mr. Svoboda asked if there were any comments on the November 17th meeting minutes. There were no comments. Mr. Stewart made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Newberry provided a second. Mr. Padalino abstained from the vote. The Committee approved the minutes.

Updates and Discussions:

Mr. Newberry provided an update on planning activities in Albemarle County. He mentioned that development, especially in-fill, is continuing in the Pantops Area and work is being done to complete the Pantops Master Plan

Mr. Padalino provided updates on Nelson County. He stated that there are currently four different zoning amendments on the books, with the first ordinance pertaining to off-farm regulations, the second to special events and festivals, the third to transient lounging, and the fourth to wetlands. He also mentioned that funding for the Rockbridge area plan had been secured and that there were two proposals for mixed-use boutique resorts. Mr. Padalino also discussed a possible farm brewery.

Mr. Lyons provided the committee with an update on JAUNT. He stated that JAUNT will begin a Hollymead commuter service route beginning in January of 2016. The cost will be \$1.50 to ride and it will be a split express service to UVA grounds and to downtown.

Mr. Stewart provided a brief update on Fluvanna County. He mentioned the GRWA intake and the Atlantic Pipeline. He also stated that their office space had been renovated and that they hired a new planner, James Newman.

Ms. Finchum provided an update on Louisa County. They have hired new staff, and time has been dedicated to the onboarding of the new staff. They also continue to process site plans.

Mr. Svoboda provided an update on Greene County, stating that they are continuing to work on their comprehensive plan, and that they will be holding a public meeting in January 2016. A February 2016 meeting will be held to discuss tourism and tourism lodging.

RLRP Safety Needs Assessment Presentation:

Mr. Cockrell, Mr. Hudson, and Mr. Morrison made a presentation to the committee detailing safety hotspots within the region. The presentation contained detailed analysis and mapping data of these hotspots. At the conclusion of the presentation, the committee was asked to circle any additional hotspots on the printed maps that should be included in the analysis.

House Bill 2 Update:

Mr. Proctor provided an update on the HB2 process, stating that all of the projects had been screened with the exception of two from Louisa County, and the Emmet Street project in the City of Charlottesville. He noted that the Chalk Level Rd. project will likely be screened out of the process. He also mentioned that projects will begin to be scored on congestion.

MPO Update:

Mr. Cockrell gave a brief update on the MPO area. Mr. Boyles then gave a brief update on the progress of the Route 29 Solutions project. He stated that construction at 29 and Rio Rd. was on schedule, and that drilling had begun for the pouring of subterranean retaining walls prior to the excavation of the roadbed. He said that there had been noise complaints from residents in nearby neighborhoods, and that construction crews would be starting an hour earlier.

Resolution of Appreciation:

Mr. Cockrell stated that the TJPDC would like to recognize the efforts of VDOT's Culpeper and Lynchburg Districts, for their responsiveness and guidance throughout the HB2 process. Ms. Finchum provided a motion to approve, Mr. Newberry provided a second. The resolution of appreciation passed unanimously.

Action Items & Other Business:

There were no action items or other business

Additional Matters from the Public:

There were no additional matters from the public. Mr. Svoboda motioned to adjourn the meeting, Mr. Newberry provided a second, and the meeting was adjourned at 2:30