

Rural Technical Advisory Committee

Minutes: January 21st, 2020

Committee – Voting Members

Dan Butch, *Albemarle County*
Chuck Proctor, *VDOT Culpeper District*
Tom Egeland, *Louisa County*
Brad Robinson, *Fluvanna County*
Dylan Bishop, *Nelson County*
David Cook, *VDOT Lynchburg District*

TJPDC Staff

Jessica Ballering
Nick Morrison
Sandy Shackelford

Call to Order:

Mr. Egeland called the meeting to order at 1:013 pm.

Matters from the Public:

There were no matters from the public

Approval of Minutes:

The minutes were motioned for approval by Mr. Egeland and seconded by Mr. Butch and the minutes were approved with a unanimous vote.

SmartScale Update:

Mr. Proctor provided the committee with an update on the SmartScale process.

Mr. Cook noted the March 5th date of the SmartScale Portal opening for the pre application period and April 2nd as the deadline for submission.

Mr. Butch said that most of Albemarle County's projects for round 4 would be resubmittals of previous projects

Mr. Butch asked if there was a need to meet with the County Supervisors to discuss project updates. Mr. Proctor responded that it was not necessary as VDOT staff has already met with County staff.

Mr. Cook added that Nelson County will be resubmitting three projects from the previous round.

Getting to Know More – VDOT's Public Participation

Mr. Cook presented on the Lynchburg District's recent success in public engagement and community outreach. He said that VDOT is currently working with two MPOs in the Lynchburg area on updates to their Long Range Transportation Plans. The consulting firm, EPR is working as the lead consultant on the projects and has worked collaboratively with VDOT to produce a community survey using the MetroQuest platform. Mr. Cook shared that the response rate to the survey on the MetroQuest platform was significantly higher than in the previous LRTP update cycle where a different surveying tool was used. He also spoke about the success of plugging in to existing events, to further increase public participation.

Updates and Discussion:

Louisa County

- Louisa continues work on the update of their zoning ordinance, and currently have 200 pages in draft form
- Work continues on the Zion Crossroads Small Area Plan

Fluvanna County

- Work continues on the Zion Crossroads Small Area Plan
- Will begin an update to the Comprehensive Plan

Albemarle County

- SmartScale progress
- Working on updating the Secondary Six Year Plan
- Creating a list of all the roads Albemarle County would like paved

VDOT Lynchburg District

- SmartScale continues to be a focus for district staff
- Parcel data has been sent to localities
- LRTP updates

Nelson County

- Completing scope of work for update to the Comprehensive Plan
- Lovingston revitalization committee met to discuss streetscape
- Crozet Tunnel is set to open in the summer
- Extended-stay camp ground ordinance approved by the B.O.S

VDOT Culpepper District

- SmartScale continues to be a focus for district staff
- Two bike and pedestrian projects are on-going in the MPO area
- Zion Crossroads study is on-going
- Will use MetroQuest for the Zion Crossroads study

Action Items & Other Business:

There were no actions items or other business

Additional Matters from the Public:

There were no additional matters from the public.

Closing:

Mr. Egeland motioned to adjourn the meeting at 2:16 pm.