

Minutes
Lenoir County Transportation Committee
Lenoir Economic Development Board Room
Scheduled Meeting
April 13, 2016 – 8:30 a.m.

Attendance:

Voting	Non-Voting	Absent
Bill Whaley, Lenoir County at Large, Chair	Patrick Flanagan, RPO	Mike Jarman, Manager, Lenoir County
BJ Murphy, Mayor, City of Kinston	Angie Greene, Transit Director	Woody Gurley/John Craft, Town of LaGrange
Harold Thomas, Lenoir County Economic Development Board	Brian Lucas, City of Kinston	Carol Sykes/Donald King, Town of Pink Hill
Eric Rouse, Lenoir County Commissioner	Aaron Bullard, District Engineer, NC DOT	Joe Albright, Town of Grifton, Manager
John Marshall, Kinston-Lenoir County Chamber of Commerce	Jeff Cabaniss, NC DOT	John Rouse, Division Engineer, NCDOT
Mary Jane Westphal, NC GTP Authority	Adrian King, PRIDE of Kinston	Mark Pope, Executive Director, Lenoir County Economic Development
Dan Sale, Lenoir County, Member-At-Large	Jerry Kanter, NC GTP Board	Adam Short, City of Kinston
		Rick Barks, NC GTP Authority

Chairman Bill Whaley called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. Quorum was present.

Update:

TIP Projects – Aaron Bullard, NC DOT

- **B-4565:** Bridges #42 and #43 over Neuse River on US 70 Business (Queen St.). Awarded to Thalle Construction Co., Inc. Project approximately 55% complete.
 - Stage 1 of overflow bridge currently being poured.
 - Girders are set on Neuse River bridge. Deck pours in May.
- **EB-3314D:** Kinston Riverwalk, multi-use path from downtown through Pearson Park to the Power Plant. Awarded to Lanier Construction. Project is approximately 99% complete (final inspection and vegetation establishment remain).

Resurfacing - Aaron Bullard, NC DOT

- **NC 148:** Resurface from 2215 ft West of SR 1575 (Poole Rd) to NC 58. Awarded to Barnhill Contracting Co. Available July 1, 2016 with a completion date of November 1, 2016.
- **US 258:** Resurface from 300 ft South of SR 1342 (Will Baker Rd) to US 70. Awarded to Barnhill Contracting Co. Available May 2, 2016 with a completion date of September 30, 2016.
- **Secondary Roads:** Awarded to S.T. Wooten Corp. Available July 1, 2016 with a completion date of October 15, 2016.
 - SR 1152 Smith-Grady Rd, resurface from NC 11 to NC 55
 - SR 1546 Banks School Rd, resurface from US 70 to 100 ft East of Eastwood Dr
- **Asphalt Preservation project** - apply joint sealer on 15 roads. Awarded to Slurry Pavers, Inc. Project is complete.

Mr. Dan Sale asked when they would remove the orange fencing from the Kinston Riverwalk. Mr. Aaron Bullard stated that they could be removed once the vegetation is in place.

Mayor BJ Murphy stated that Mr. Bill Ellis will get with NC DOT to discuss the ribbon cutting event for the Riverwalk.

Chairman Bill Whaley asked if there was an update for the CF Harvey Parkway. Mr. Jeff Cabaniss stated that it would be late summer before a finalized option would be selected. He then stated that this project is moving

rapidly. Another public meeting will be scheduled once an option is selected. Mr. Aaron Bullard stated that it would have a 2 year build time.

Mr. Dan Sale asked if there was any information relating to the rail project in conjunction with the CF Harvey Parkway project. Mr. Patrick Flanagan stated that the rail project is not directly linked to this project.

Mr. Bill Whaley asked where the Ferrell Road project stood. Mr. Jeff Cabaniss stated that they are working on an in house design and there may be a need to purchase right of ways for this improvement. He then stated that it was a goal to have this project completed before the start of the 2016-17 school year.

Mr. Jeff Cabaniss stated that there has been an open project to complete crossovers on Highway 11 to tie into the Quad East concept. He stated that NC DOT has determined that if they tie this project into safety money that they can get it funded. He then stated that by decreasing the number of crossovers the overall project cost will be decreased. Chairman Bill Whaley asked what area this project covers for Highway 11. Mr. Jeff Cabaniss stated that this project goes from Cunningham Road to Ayden.

Old Business:

Approval of Minutes – Bill Whaley, Chairman

- A quorum was present. The minutes were reviewed by the committee for March 9, 2016. Commissioner Eric Rouse made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. John Marshall seconded the motion. All voting members were in favor of accepting the minutes as presented. The minutes were approved by the committee.

RPO Report – Patrick Flanagan, Eastern RPO Planner

- Mr. Patrick Flanagan stated that the scores were supposed to be released April 1st, however, there has been a delay and they should be released this afternoon. The RPO will have a better understanding of the project placement in May 2016.

County Transportation Plan Update - Patrick Flanagan, Eastern RPO Planner

- Mr. Patrick Flanagan stated that presentations have begun in the municipalities. He is recommending that the steering committee members are selected from various organizations (recreation department, schools, C100, LCED, community leaders, etc.). There should be no more than 12-15 people on this committee. Members of this committee will be asked to attend monthly meetings for approximately two years.
- Commissioner Eric Rouse asked if there were any disqualifiers for placement on the steering committee. Mr. Patrick Flanagan stated that it is important to have city and county representatives directly affected by this transportation plan.
- Mr. Patrick Flanagan stated that Pink Hill had a presentation to review this process last night.
- Mr. Patrick Flanagan stated that there are two parts to the Comprehensive Transportation Plan. One section of this process is the maps. The other section of this process is the report.

New Business:

Request of New Business – Bill Whaley, Chairman

- Chairman Bill Whaley stated that he would like to give the various organizations and departments in attendance an opportunity to update the committee on recent developments or happenings.
- Mr. Brian Lucas stated that the City of Kinston water line work project on Queen Street will be complete by mid-week of next week. It is anticipated to have the asphalt patched by the first week of May.
- Ms. Mary Jane Westphal stated that the NC GTP has been meeting with several state representatives new to their positions to share what is located in the TransPark and the needs of the GTP. She also

stated that the Antanov has been to the GTP last week and is expected to come back over the next two weeks.

- Chairman Bill Whaley stated that committee members have the 2013-2015 US 70 Corridor Crash Summary in their notebooks for review.
- Mr. Jerry Kanter stated that North State Aviation in the NC GTP is already making head way with their expansion of business from Winston-Salem to Kinston. He stated that they are currently working on a 737 aircraft for United Airlines.

The next transportation meeting will be Wednesday, May 11, at 8:30 a.m.

Much discussion followed

The meeting was adjourned at 9:02 a.m.