# MINUTES FOR THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION MEETING

# TO BE HELD IN THE ODOT BUILDING COMMISSION MEETING ROOM OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

BE IT REMEMBERED that on Monday the 6<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2017, at the hour of 11:00 a.m., the Transportation Commission met in the Commission Meeting Room of the ODOT Building in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

NOTICE of the schedule of regular meetings of the Oklahoma Department of Transportation for the calendar year 2017 having been given in writing to the Oklahoma Secretary of State, and public notice and agenda having been posted in a prominent public view at or before 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 1, 2017, prior to the meeting, on the Atrium Informational Monitor in the ODOT building, and on the glass doors on the north side of the ODOT Building in accordance with Oklahoma Open Meeting Act, 25 O.S. Section 311.

# **ITEMS PRESENTED BY COMMISSION CHAIRMAN**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mr. David Burrage called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

<u>ROLL CALL</u> :	Present:	John Fidler David Burrage Greg Love Todd Huckabay Bobby Alexander Brad Burgess	Member Chairman Member Secretary Member Vice-Chairman
	Absent:	Dan Overland Pete Regan	
	Presiding:	David Burrage	

The following items were presented and approved as written at the Transportation Commission meeting of November 6, 2017. For those items amended, deferred, or rejected, those notations were also made. Action taken by the Commission is noted here on these sheets.

Mr. Burrage introduced special guests, Randy Robinson from the Association of County Commissioners (ACCO); Tim Gatz, from the Oklahoma Turnpike Authority (OTA) and Derek Sparks, from the Greater Oklahoma City Chamber. Mr. Burrage then called on Secretary Patterson for a special announcement.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATION

# ODOT wins the Annual Hoop Dreams Engineering Basketball Tournament

Secretary Patterson said before we get to the basketball announcement; this last week, ODOT, OTA, and DPS received another award for our "Work Zone Awareness Campaign" from the Oklahoma City Public Relations Committee. We actually received a couple of awards, but the best of the awards was the "Best of Show". So it was considered the *"Best Campaign"* put on in Oklahoma City during this last year. So congratulations to all 3 of us ODOT, DPS, and the Turnpike Authority; and certainly to our Media and Public Relation Division, along with the videographers, another fabulous job! Congratulations.

What you asked me to come to the podium for is another great program that we got involved with. I'm going to ask Geoff Covalt to come up and give you a few statistics; but it involves a basketball tournament. The Department has been involved for 3 years; and we have been fortunate enough to win the tournament for 2 of those years. We won it in 2015 and 2017, and it made some donations, because it's a charitable basketball tournament. So I would like Mr. Covalt to come up and tell you some more details and award ODOT with the Golden Ball.

Mr. Covalt said, thank you, Mr. Secretary, Mr. Chairman and Members of the Commission. I am Geoff Covalt and I represent CEC Corporation, who believes in contributing to our communities through our nonprofit, Civil Servants. CEC, along with Civil Servants, hosted the 4th Annual Hoop Dreams Tournament in August, specifically to raise money for the winner of the One Day Tournaments Charity of Choice. "Hoop Dream" is most fitting, because if you saw some of these engineers attempt this game there is no hope and there are no dreams big enough. CEC and Civil Servants, and specifically Steven Johnson, put this tournament on to bring our industry together on a different plane; build relationships in a different setting; and, most importantly, raise money for a great cause. Through the efforts of many in this room in the form of sponsorships and participants, over \$10,500 has been raised to date. The 2017 tournament raised over \$3,500 which will support the Potter's House effort. ODOT has participated, like the Secretary said, in 3 of the 4 tournaments, and has won 2 of the 3 tournaments. ODOT chose to give the proceeds of their previous tournament to the Children's Hospital Jimmy Everest Cancer Center. Anthony Delce has organized these 2 teams for ODOT in the past and he's a competitive guy. Anthony is a great contributor, and a heck of a good guy and CEC appreciates his efforts in organizing the "ODOT Road Rage" and the "ODOT Road Runner" teams. So, with that, CEC and Civil Servants presents this year's trophy to ODOT Road Rage and the 2018 proceeds will go to the charity of their choice, thank you, Anthony!

# ITEM PRESENTED BY THE SECRETARY TO THE COMMISSION

#### 142. Approval of the Minutes of the Transportation Commission Meeting of October 2, 2017

ACTION:	Burgess moved and Huckabay seconded that the Minutes be approved as presented.
MOTION:	Carried by the following vote:
AYES:	Fidler, Love, Burrage, Huckabay, Alexander and Burgess
NAYES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	Overland and Regan

# CONSENT DOCKET PRESENTED BY COMMISSION CHAIRMAN

#### 143. Programming of Federal Railroad Crossing Safety Funds–Section 130 Title 23 Funds – Mr. Moody

- a) Marshall County District II Near New Woodville, Construction funding for a Signal project which includes the installation of cantilever-mounted flashing light signals with gate arms at SH-70A with the BNSF Railway. Total cost is \$249,378.
- **b)** Pontotoc County District III In Roff, Construction funding for a Signal project which includes the installation of pedestal-mounted flashing light signals with gate arms and a 24' concrete crossing surface at 6<sup>th</sup> Street with the BNSF Railway. Total cost is \$242,332.
- c) Garfield County District IV Near Etna, Construction funding for a Signal project which includes the installation of pedestal-mounted flashing light signals with gate arms and a 32' concrete crossing surface at Garfield County Road N2950 with the BNSF Railway. Total cost is \$260,690.

- d) Noble County District IV Near Perry, Construction funding for a Signal project which includes the installation of pedestal-mounted flashing light signals with gate arms at Noble County Road E0470 with the BNSF Railway. Total cost is \$212,514.
- e) Noble County District IV Near Perry, Construction funding for a Signal project which includes the installation of pedestal-mounted flashing light signals with gate arms and a 48' concrete crossing surface at Noble County Road E0480 with the BNSF Railway. Total cost is \$427,072.
- f) Oklahoma County District IV In Oklahoma City, Construction funding for a Signal project which includes the installation of cantilever-mounted flashing light signals with gate arms, traffic signal preemption and a 64' concrete crossing surface at SW 44<sup>th</sup> Street with the Stillwater Central Railroad. Total cost is \$386,632.
- g) Tulsa County District VIII Near Lotsee, Construction funding for a Signal project which includes the installation of pedestal-mounted flashing light signals with gate arms at South 263<sup>rd</sup> West Avenue with the BNSF Railway. Total cost is \$194,239.
- h) Pawnee County District VIII Near Hallett, Construction funding for a Signal project which includes the installation of pedestal-mounted flashing light signals with gate arms and a 32' concrete crossing surface at Pawnee County Road E0520 with the BNSF Railway. Total cost is \$417,377.
- i) Pawnee County District VIII Near Hallett, Construction funding for a Signal project which includes the installation of pedestal-mounted flashing light signals with gate arms and a 32' concrete crossing surface at Pawnee County Road N3580 with the BNSF Railway. Total cost is \$271,642.
- **j)** Pawnee County District VIII Near Maramec, Construction funding for a Signal project which includes the installation of pedestal-mounted flashing light signals with gate arms at Pawnee County Road N3560 with the BNSF Railway. Total cost is \$332,930.
- k) Pawnee County District VIII Near Pawnee, Construction funding for a Signal project which includes the installation of pedestal-mounted flashing light signals with gate arms at Pawnee County Road E0470 with the BNSF Railway. Total cost is \$319,720.
- I) Ottawa County District VIII In Miami, Construction funding for a Signal project which includes the installation of pedestal-mounted flashing light signals with gate arms at 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue NE with the BNSF Railway. Total cost is \$208,657.
- **m)** Mayes County District VIII In Chouteau, Construction funding for the addition of traffic signal preemption at East Harrison Avenue with the Union Pacific Railroad. Total cost is \$199,007.
- **n)** Mayes County District VIII In Chouteau, Construction funding for the addition of traffic signal preemption at West Main Street with the Union Pacific Railroad. Total cost is \$253,493.

#### 144. Traffic Control Improvement Projects – Mr. Pendley

- a) McClain County District III for the installation of Pedestrian Hybrid Beacons at Stan Patty Blvd. and US-62/N. Main Street in the City of Newcastle. The project is estimated to cost \$135,000.
- b) Grady County District VII installation of longitudinal cable barrier along US-81 beginning at E. 1470 Road, extending north approximately 8.00 miles to the Junction of SH-19 East and US-81 in the City of Chickasha. The project is estimated to cost \$1,431,000.

#### 145. Land Sale – Mr. Phillips

Muskogee County - District I - Land Sale - located on the south side of US-62 and west of Main Street in the City of Muskogee - \$13,540.00

ACTION:	Alexander moved and Fidler seconded that the Consent Docket be approved as presented.
MOTION:	Carried by the following vote:
AYES:	Fidler, Love, Burrage, Huckabay, Alexander and Burgess
NAYES:	None
ABSENT:	Overland and Regan

# END OF CONSENT DOCKET

#### **ITEMS PRESENTED BY DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING – Mr. Tegeler**

#### 146. **Engineering Contract**

Mayes County - District VIII - to provide preliminary engineering and prepare construction plans for SH-28 beginning at US-69/SH-28 junction extending east 7.0 miles and SH-28 beginning approximately 8.1 miles east of US-69/SH-28 junction extending east 4.75 miles.

EC-192	1 Olsson Associates	\$1,388,354.00
ACTION: MOTION:	Huckabay moved and Love seconded that the Item be approved a Carried by the following vote:	as presented.
AYES:	Fidler, Love, Burrage, Huckabay, Alexander and Burgess	
NAYES:	None	
ABSENT:	Overland and Regan	

#### 147. **Engineering Contract Supplements**

a) Statewide – All Districts – to provide On-Demand Planning Studies

EC-1712A CDM Smith, Inc. \$30,000.00 Supplement 1

b) Cherokee County – District I – to perform additional engineering to develop final construction plans for US-62 from 3.38 miles east of SH-82 JCT, northeast 2.6 miles.

EC-1577	Supplement 5	Aguirre and Fields, LP	\$14,300.00
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c) Rogers County – District VIII – to perform additional engineering to develop final construction plans for SH-266 from 0.45 miles east of Tulsa County Line east to junction SH-266/SH-167.

EC-162	22 Supplement 2	Benham Design, LLC	\$5,000.00
ACTION:	Fidler moved and Alexan	der seconded that the Items	be approved as presented.
MOTION:	Carried by the following v	ote:	
AYES:	Fidler, Love, Burrage, Hu	ckabay, Alexander and Burg	ess
NAYES:	None		
ABSENT:	Overland and Regan		

# ITEMS PRESENTED ON BEHALF OF THE PROGRAMS DIVISION MANAGER – Ms. Hilmes

# 148. Lettings

- a) Final January 2018 Bid Opening
- **b)** Tentative February 2018 Bid Opening
- c) Tentative March 2018 Bid Opening

ACTION:	Huckabay moved and Burgess seconded that the Item be approved as presented.
MOTION:	Carried by the following vote:
AYES:	Fidler, Love, Burrage, Huckabay, Alexander and Burgess
NAYES:	None
ABSENT:	Overland and Regan

# **ITEMS PRESENTED BY CONSTRUCTION DIVISION ENGINEER – Mr. Leonard**

#### 149. Change Orders with Cumulative Total of \$75,000.00 or Less – Information Only

- a) Atoka County Co. Rd. CIRB-203D(038)RB / 29947(04), \$21,100.00
- b) Beckham County Co. Rd. CIRB-105C(157)RB / 24839(04), \$5,182.24
- c) Beckham County I-40 SSP-4000(041)SS / SBR-4000(038)SB / 27023(04), \$19,386.40
- d) Blaine County Co. Rd. CIRB-206D(002)RB / 28692(04), \$4,200.00
- e) Bryan County SH-78 SSR-207C(067)(070)SR / 31328(04), \$72,883.60
- f) Bryan County US-70 HSIPG-207F(063)TR / HSIPG-261B(070)TR / 32797(04), \$8,698.34
- g) Caddo County Co. Rd. CIRB-108C(184)RB / 24803(04), \$68,889.42
- h) Caddo County Co. Rd. STP-208C(055)CI / 28425(04), \$6,250.00
- i) Caddo County Co. Rd. CIRB-208C(056)RB / 30454(04), \$6,385.80 Underrun
- j) Cleveland County SH-39 ACSTP-114B(185)SS / 24112(04)#1, \$20,521.73 Underrun
- k) Cleveland County SH-39 ACSTP-114B(185)SS / 24112(04)#2, \$70,139.50
- I) Cleveland County Ct. St. STPG-214F(072)AG / 32452(04), \$78.00
- **m)** Garvin County Co. Rd. CIRB-125D(165)RB / 25658(04), \$38,440.62
- n) Garvin County SH-74 ACSTP-225C(049)SS / 28000(04), \$1,500.00
- o) Garvin County SH-74 STP-225C(063)SS / 28942(04), \$45,999.46
- p) Garvin County I-35 ACNHPPI-3500(030)SS / 31838(04), \$56,516.09
- **q)** Grady County Co. Rd. CIRB-126C(131)RB / 24945(04), \$1,110.90
- r) Grady County SH-37 STPY-226C(048)3P / 30520(04), \$8,409.88
- s) Haskell County SH-9 HSIPG-231F(011)TR / 30737(04), \$521,616.68 Underrun
- t) Kingfisher County Co. Rd. ACSTP-237C(004)CI / 28435(04), \$500.00
- **u**) Kiowa County US-62 NHPPY-238N(026)3P / 29648(04), \$39,943.13
- v) Lincoln County SH-18B STP-241C(045)SS / 29570(04), \$6,947.68
- w) McClain County SH-39 MC-244B(051) / 32477(04), \$13,762.74
- **x)** McCurtain County US-70 NHPP-245N(022)SS / HSIPG-245N(030)TR / 27908(07), \$22,990.88
- y) Muskogee County SH-10 SBR-251C(068)SB / 31339(04), \$23.90 Underrun
- **z)** Noble County I-35 SBR-3500(047)SB / 30645(04)#2, \$2,662.10
- aa) Noble County I-35 SBR-3500(047)SB / 30645(04)#3, \$2,540.33
- **bb)** Nowata County US-60 NHPP-153N(153)SS / 24269(04), \$10,141.20
- cc) Oklahoma County Ct. St. STP-155B(614)AG / 24364(04), \$27,989.00
- dd) Oklahoma County Co. Rd. STP-155C(879)AG / 28621(04), \$6,965.59
- ee) Oklahoma County I-35 SSP-3500(043)SS / 29843(08), \$298.35
- ff) Oklahoma County I-40 NHPPIG-4000(053) / 33097(04), \$38,352.50
- gg) Okmulgee County Co. Rd. STP-056C(199)CI / 11399(04), \$47,778.26
- hh) Okmulgee County US-62 ACSTP-256C(025)SS / 27098(04), \$2.40 Underrun

- ii) Ottawa County Co. Rd. CIRB-258D(037)(038)(039)(040)RB / 32845(04), \$3,508.75
- jj) Roger Mills County Co. Rd. CIRB-165C(099)RB / 25477(04), \$18,081.10
- kk) Seminole County SH-9A SSR-167C(184)SR / SSR-267C(056)SR / 28205(04), \$67,644.19
- II) Seminole County SH-9A STPY-267C(058)3P / 31314(04), \$35,951.07
- mm) Tillman County Co. Rd. CIRB-271C(002)RB / 28689(04), \$19,996.66
- nn) Tulsa County Co. Rd. BRO-172D(598)CO / 15860(04), \$333.42
- **oo)** Tulsa County I-244 SSP-272F(179)SS / 23170(08), \$41,331.15 Underrun
- pp) Tulsa County US-75 ACNHPP-272N(185)SS / 28849(04), \$16,275.56
- **qq)** Tulsa County Ct. St. NHPPIY-2440-(013)(014) / 29071(04), \$18,635.72
- rr) Tulsa County I-244 SSP-NBIP(506)SS / 30318(06), \$46,033.34
- ss) Woodward County US-183 NHPP-277N(010)SS / NHPP-017N(060)SS / 17457(16), \$10,535.73

# 150. Change Orders with Cumulative Total Greater than \$75,000.00

- a) Bryan County Ct. St. NHPP-207N(064)SS / SSP-207N(066)SS / 32112(04)#5, \$114,000.00
- **b)** Bryan County Ct. St. NHPP-207N(064)SS / SSP-207N(066)SS / 32112(04)#6, \$215,501.69
- c) Cleveland County SH-39 ACSTP-114B(185)SS / 24112(04), \$247,500.00
- d) Cleveland County Ct. St. STP-214B(042)(063)AG / 29293(04)#6, \$17,187.57 Underrun
- e) Cleveland County Ct. St. STP-214B(042)(063)AG / 29293(04)#9, \$2,275.02 Underrun
- f) Comanche County US-277 STPY-116C(117)SS / 21717(04), \$1,805.00
- g) Comanche County SH-17 STPY-116C(134) / 23297(04), \$11,323.72
- h) Custer County Ct. St. ACSTP-220B(040)SS / 27911(06), \$44,361.90
- i) Dewey County US-183 ACNHPP-222N(024)SS / 06377(20), \$108,699.20
- j) Dewey County US-270 NHPP-222N(023)SS / 17671(38), \$170,625.00
- k) Greer County SH-6 ACSTP-128B(008)SS / 15023(07), \$88,087.46
- I) Jackson County Co. Rd. CIRB-233C(008)RB / 28723(04), \$155,430.56
- m) Johnston County SH-1 SBR-235C(017)SB / 29603(04), \$99,849.45
- n) Kingfisher County SH-51 ACSTP-137C(051)SS / ACSTP-242C(045)SS / 21858(04), \$18,664.00
- o) Kiowa County SH-44 STP-275C(035)SS / ACSTP-238C(037)SS / 28999(04)#2, \$98,535.96
- p) Kiowa County SH-44 STP-275C(035)SS / ACSTP-238C(037)SS / 28999(04)#3, \$17,616.67
- q) Kiowa County SH-44 STP-275C(035)SS / ACSTP-238C(037)SS / 28999(04)#4, \$240,000.00
- r) Leflore County US-59 ACNHPP-140N(171)SS / ACNHPP-240N(047)SS / 27024(04), \$250,000.00
- s) Lincoln County US-62 ACSTP-141C(168)(171)(224)(232)SS / 24228(10), \$53,312.68
- t) Lincoln County SH-105 ACSTP-241C(044)SS / 27060(04), \$7,091.54
- **u)** Oklahoma County Ct. St. SSP-4000(033)SS / SBR-4400(023)(022)SB / 29143(06), \$152,688.85
- v) Oklahoma County I-40 SSP-255N(373)SS / SBR-255N(362)SB / SBR- 209N(037)SB / 29494(04), \$253,183.18
- w) Oklahoma County I-35 SSP-3500(049)SS / SSP-4000(042)SS / 31008(04), \$489,345.62
- **x)** Oklahoma County I-240 SSP-2400(003)SS / SSP-4000(020)(021)SS / 31818(04), \$370,000.00
- y) Pottawatomie County I-40 NHPPI-4000-(035)SS / 28928(04), \$84,930.14
- z) Seminole County SH-9A SSR-167C(184)SR / SSR-267C(056)SR / 28205(04), \$231,764.85
- aa) Sequoyah County I-40 SSR-168N(214)SR / 28277(05), \$0.74

- bb) Tulsa County SH-51 SSR-172A(519)SR / 28287(04), \$96,562.44
- cc) Tulsa County I-244 ACNHPPI-2440(010)SS / 28861(04), \$900,000.00

ACTION:	Fidler moved and Huckabay seconded that the Items be approved as presented.
MOTION:	Carried by the following vote:
AYES:	Fidler, Love, Burrage, Huckabay, Alexander and Burgess
NAYES:	None
ABSENT:	Overland and Regan

#### ITEM PRESENTED BY THE OFFICE ENGINEER – Mr. Delce

#### 151. Awards

October 19, 2017 - Regular Letting

ACTION:	Huckabay moved and Alexander seconded that the Item be approved as presented.
MOTION:	Carried by the following vote:
AYES:	Fidler, Love, Burrage, Huckabay, Alexander and Burgess
NAYES:	None
ABSENT:	Overland and Regan

# ITEM PRESENTED BY LOCAL GOVERNMENT DIVISION ENGINEER – Mr. Sheffert

#### 152. Presentation of the proposed CIRB 5 Year County Work Plan (2018-2022)

The Department has worked with the County Circuit Engineering Districts from across the State to compile an update to the 5 Year CIRB plan.

Funding for the CIRB program is currently derived from a portion of the revenues accruing from the Motor Vehicle and Registration Act as authorized in HB 2249.

The Plan was developed with consideration for the critical needs of the County Transportation System within the financial constraints of funding projected to be available to the program.

The CIRB Plan to improve the county road system includes:

- Approximately \$926 million in improvements
- Replacement or rehabilitation of 397 county bridges
- 43 bridges incorporating repurposed I-40 Crosstown bridge beams
- Improvements to 814 miles of county roads
- **NOTE:** Commissioner Burgess said on behalf of the Commissioners we thank you. One of the greatest joint efforts in our State is the CIRB Program. It is has moved our state forward, it is quality projects; its responsibility, planning and work is just the greatest thing to be involved in. We really appreciate how the Counties have embraced this type of project, study, award and planning. Just can't say enough about it, I am highly impressed with the work, great job, it is quite an accomplishment!

Commissioner Love asked Mr. Sheffert to walk us through how this has developed. It is obviously a very big impressive document, but what are the steps by which you go through to ultimately get to here.

Mr. Sheffert said early on in the year we are working with the counties, seeking their input for what is needed in each one of the Commissioners' Districts. Then the counties come forward with their plan updates, working with the engineering firms that we have, and we get updates on our progress (the cost estimates and stuff). Then each one of the counties are members of circuit engineering districts, which, in a lot of cases, are the same as our division, ODOT division boundaries. They work with those circuit engineering districts, and the rest of the member counties in each of those districts, and from that, we help assemble the projects with the updates on the dates and the funding amounts. Then once we get those together, we put those in our database, update all the estimates, and get that prepared in the documentation that we have here for you.

ACTION:	Alexander moved and Burgess seconded that the Items be approved as presented.
MOTION:	Carried by the following vote:
AYES:	Fidler, Overland, Love, Burrage, Huckabay, Alexander, Burgess and Regan
NAYES:	None
ABSENT:	None

# ITEM PRESENTED BY THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR/CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER - Mr. Hulin

# 153. Resolution for the issuance of Grant Anticipation Notes

The Department requests the approval of a resolution authorizing the Director to proceed with the issuance of an amount not to exceed \$70 million of Grant Anticipation Notes in accordance with Title 69, Section 2001 (E)(2) of the Oklahoma Statutes. The bond proceeds will be used to partially finance the Gilcrease Expressway west segment project in Tulsa between Interstate 44 and US-412 Highway. The project is being administered by the Oklahoma Turnpike Authority (OTA) through a cooperative partnership with the Department (ODOT), Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), City of Tulsa, Tulsa County and the Indian Nations Council of Governments (INCOG). Debt service on the issuance will be financed by INCOG Surface Transportation Program federal funds.

**NOTE:** Commissioner Love asked Mr. Hulin to explain how all this works. I know ODOT and OTA are involved and we got the fed's funding, I'm trying to follow the whole money situation here.

*Mr.* Hulin said that this project was planned several years ago. In fact, in 2000, the first environmental assessment was done and approved by Federal Highway. The Department throughout the years has spent money on acquiring right-of-way and doing some engineering work in it. Therefore, it's a federalized project from the start; and it will remain so. As far as the financing of the project, in addition to this up to \$70 million in GARVEE Bonds, the OTA is going to set approximately \$100 million of their funds, to apply towards the pre-construction and construction. This total project is a \$300 million project; the remaining of the balance of those funds will be done at a public private partnership, or, if that's going to be, an RFP is going to be sent out for that component of it. And also there is a possibility that some TIFIA loan may be obtained from OTA to complete the financing of the project. So that's the financing components; and our part is the \$65 to \$70 million in GARVEE Bonds.

# **ITEMS PRESENTED BY THE DIRECTOR – Mr. Patterson**

#### 154. Declaration of Emergency

Love County - District VII - Repair Jacobs Road Bridge E210.5 over I-35 - \$17,916.00

**NOTE:** Director Patterson read the Declaration of Emergency into the record.

Information Only: No Commission action required.

#### 155. Director's Report

Secretary Patterson said he had just a couple items. First, thank you for approving the CIRB for another year; and as you mentioned Mr. Chairman, it's a great program! You know, for any one Commissioner and one county to do some of the projects that are being done, it just wouldn't happen without this program. This program has had a huge influence on the condition of county bridges and county roads since its inception in 2006. So thank you again for allowing us to continue with that effort.

I do need to bring to your attention one situation that's occurring on I-40 here in downtown Oklahoma City. It involves OG&E and one of their contractors. In July, they began boring operations under I-40 and met with some challenges; I'll just say, to the extent that we have noticed that there's damage to I-40. On the westbound side, there's about a 2 inch dip that has occurred in the roadway, and on the eastbound side there's a 3 inch rise. So we have instructed OG&E to fix that situation, and they're going to do that using a contractor from a list of contractors we provided. The impact is going to be to the traveling public in a couple of weeks when we have to close down I-40 to one lane of traffic, in both directions. It will be done as innocuous as we can to make those repairs, but just wanted to make the public aware that that's going to happen, and ask for their patience while the repairs are being made. As you know, I-40 is a cross-country route; it carries several hundred thousand cars a day, so it will be an impact to the traveling public. But I know, because we have such a good contractor on this project, it will get done with quality deliverance and in a timely manner.

Commissioner Burrage asked, are we going to deconstruct and reconstruct, or are we going to inject.

Secretary Patterson said we are going to deconstruct and reconstruct.

Commissioner Burrage asked if they thought about injecting it.

Secretary Patterson said they already tried the injecting, it didn't work.

Commissioner Alexander asked if we actually have to dig out some of that soil that's been wet before.

Secretary Patterson said I will defer this question to our Chief Engineer, Casey Shell; but I believe we're going to have to replace those panels down to the base.

Mr. Shell said, yes, and restabilize the grade to make sure it's all stable before we put it back.

Commissioner Alexander asked, approximately how deep do they have to dig out.

Mr. Shell said we are going to see what we encounter when we get it uncovered; we will do some soil testing once we get it opened up.

Commissioner Fidler asked how deep they usually tunnel underneath the highway.

Director Patterson said usually it is a 10 to 15 foot boring.

Commissioner Fidler asked if it was going to cost ODOT any money.

Director Patterson said, no, OG&E will be paying for it all.

Commissioner Love commented to Division Engineer, Brian Taylor that let's be sure that we have all the signage that we can get up to at least communicate to the local people that this is going to be happening. Hopefully they will take different routes, because the more traffic we can take off of it, the better.

Secretary Patterson, yes, certainly that's our intention. Terri Angier and I have been thinking about getting out in front of the operation through the media, so that we can get people off I-40 as much as we can.

The last thing I have is, when you talk about ODOT, and you talk about the ODOT family, you are talking about caring and giving. You heard about the basketball tournament and the things that we like to do with that. This last Tuesday we had our annual Chili Cook-Off contest, which our Chief Engineer, Casey Shell won, he definitely makes a good bowl of chili. We also had a costume contest, and we have all kinds of things that raise a lot of money. This year we raised \$1,700 to give to the State Charitable Campaign. Proceeds included in that were from auctioning off my parking spot out front to the highest bidder. Phil Loafman was the highest bidder and I really appreciate his contribution to this campaign. There are some people that I would like to thank; the Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma, Allied Arts, and the Salvation Army. These 3 organizations came in and spoke to our employees about the importance of giving, and what it means to their organizations when we give like we give. I also want to thank our Oklahoma Employees Credit Union; they are always there to help us and support us; and they did it again last Tuesday! I just want to thank everybody in the ODOT family for their caring and giving.

Information Only: No Commission action required.

# **ITEM PRESENTED BY COMMISSION CHAIRMAN**

#### 156. Adjournment Motion

ACTION:	Fidler moved and Huckabay seconded that the Meeting be adjourned.
MOTION:	Carried by the following vote:
AYES:	Fidler, Love, Burrage, Huckabay, Alexander and Burgess
NAYES:	None
ABSENT:	Overland and Regan

Meeting adjourned at 11:36 a.m.

Approval of the Minutes of the Transportation Commission Meeting November 6, 2017.

David Burrage - Chairman

Brad Burgess – Vice Chairman