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 4th day of December, 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 30, 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.

ROLL CALL:

Present:  
David Burrage  Chairman
Dan Overland  Member
Greg Love  Member
Todd Huckabay  Secretary
Bobby Alexander  Member
Brad Burgess  Vice-Chairman
Pete Regan  Member

Absent:  John Fidler

Presiding:  David Burrage

The following items were presented and approved as written at the Transportation Commission meeting of December 4, 2017. For those items amended, deferred, or rejected, those notations were also made. Action taken by the Commission is noted here on these sheets.

Commissioner Burrage introduced special guests, Lori Peterson, Executive Director of the Oklahoma Rail Association, John Kyle, Oklahoma Rail Association, Dave Anderson, District 2 Canadian County Commissioner, and Derek Sparks, from the Greater Oklahoma City Chamber. Commissioner Burrage then called on Secretary Patterson for a special announcement.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATION

Director Patterson said the Pharaoh Award is presented annually by the Association of General Contractors and recognizes the bridge contracting firm and resident engineer completing construction on the highest quality bridge structure in the State of Oklahoma. OJ Pharaoh was a highway contractor many years ago; and was the first President of what we now know as the, Association of General Contractors. His son, Kent Pharaoh, was also President of the Association of General Contractors and actually represented District 1 for a few years in the '90s as a Transportation Commissioner. This year Division 7, the Duncan Residency and Overland Corporation of Ardmore, received the award for a Bridge Project on US-81. This bridge project
provides a south connection for the Duncan Bypass to US-81 in Stephens County. Accepting the award for ODOT were Jay Earp, Division Engineer, Cole Vonfeldt, Construction Engineer, Jeramy Lassley, Duncan Residency, Colton Roberts, Duncan Resident Manager, Justin Zimmerman, Duncan Residency, and District 7 Commissioner, Brad Burgess. Representing Overland Construction was Mike Voorhes, President and Eric Heggey, Vice President, Bridge Division.

ITEM PRESENTED BY THE SECRETARY TO THE COMMISSION

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

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

CONSENT DOCKET PRESENTED BY COMMISSION CHAIRMAN

158. Land Sale – Mr. Phillips

a) McIntosh County – District I – Land Sale – located on the north side of SH-9, approximately 0.92 miles westerly of the intersection of US-69 and SH-9 in the City of Eufaula - $60,000.00

b) LeFlore County – District II – Land Sale – located on the east side of US-59 near Cowlington, approximately 3.0 miles Southeasterly of Robert S. Kerr Lake - $10,751.21

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

END OF CONSENT DOCKET

ITEMS PRESENTED BY DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING – Mr. Tegeler

159. Programming Item

Cleveland County – District III – a project to repair vehicle impact damage to 12th Street over I-35 located 11.4 miles north of the McClain County Line - $100,000 using State-Aid Funds – Party responsible for damage is unknown

ACTION: Overland moved and Burgess seconded that the Item be approved as presented.
MOTION: Carried by the following vote:
AYES: Burrage, Overland, Love, Huckabay, Alexander, Burgess and Regan
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Fidler
NOTE: Commissioner Love said, I don't have a question specific to the bridge that was hit; but it seems like every Commission Meeting we have another bridge that was hit! This causes us to spend money for the most part; sometimes insurance is there, but too often it isn't. I recommend to we work with the Corporation Commission, DPS, or any other agencies that can help us police our bridge assets. We need to do that!

Mr. Tegeler said we will do that.

160. Engineering Contract Supplements

   a) Statewide – All Districts – to provide Revisions to Standard Specifications

      EC-1682     Supplement 1     Crafton, Tull & Associates, Inc.     $40,000.00

   b) Statewide – All Districts – to provide On-Demand Bridge Rehabilitation Services

      EC-1822A    Supplement 1     Benham Design, LLC
      EC-1822B    Supplement 1     Aguirre & Fields, LP
      EC-1822C    Supplement 1     AIA Engineers, Ltd
      EC-1822D    Supplement 1     Tetra Tech, Inc.

      Total aggregate increase for these contract supplements is $1,000,000.00

   c) Statewide – All Districts – to provide On-Demand Land Surveying services

      EC-1872A    Supplement 1     Carroll Surveying Service, LLC
      EC-1872B    Supplement 1     Heartland Surveying and Mapping, PLLC

      Total aggregate increase for these contract supplements is $500,000.00

ACTION: Burgess moved and Huckabay seconded that the Items be approved as presented.

MOTION: Carried by the following vote:

AYES: Burrage, Overland, Love, Huckabay, Alexander, Burgess and Regan

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Fidler

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

161. Lettings

   a) Final February 2018 Bid Opening
   b) Tentative March 2018 Bid Opening
   c) Tentative April 2018 Bid Opening

ACTION: Burgess moved and Love seconded that the Item be approved as presented.

MOTION: Carried by the following vote:

AYES: Burrage, Overland, Love, Huckabay, Alexander, Burgess and Regan

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Fidler
ITEMS PRESENTED BY CONSTRUCTION DIVISION ENGINEER – Mr. Leonard

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

   a) Atoka County - SH-7 - SSR-203C(062)SR / 32009(04), $4,705.47
   b) Caddo County - Co. Rd. - STP-208C(055)CI / 28425(04), $18,950.11
   c) Cimarron County - US-385 - STP-113C(034) / 23273(04), $2,844.00
   d) Cleveland County - Ct. St. - STP-214C(004)AG / 28903(04), $27,588.85
   e) Cleveland County - Ct. St. - MC-3500(057) / 30184(04), $8,076.45
   f) Cleveland County - US-77 - STPY-214N(078)3P / 30569(04), $11,700.00
   g) Harmon County - SH-30 - SSR-129C(045)SR / 27542(04)#1, $3,025.00
   h) Harmon County - SH-30 - SSR-129C(045)SR / 27542(04)#2, $24,989.69
   i) Hughes County - SH-30 - SSR-129C(045)SR / 27542(04)#1, $3,025.00
   j) Kiowa County - US-62 - NHPPY-238N(026)3P / 29680(04), $8,578.01
   k) Logan County - Co. Rd. - STP-142D(045)CI / 18265(04), $19,646.00
   l) McIntosh County - I-40 - ACNHPP1-4000(029)SS / 26289(04), $15,750.00
   m) Oklahoma County - Ct. St. - CIRB-155C(917)CO / 28767(04), $7,150.00
   n) Okmulgee County - US-75A - ACSTP-156C(136)SS / 24369(04), $77,882.90 Underrun
   o) Ottawa County - Co. Rd. - CIRB-258D(026)RB / 29894(04), $33,715.19
   p) Payne County - Co. Rd. - STP-160C(204)CI / 27804(04), $72,662.40
   q) Pittsburg County - US-69 - ACNHPP-013N(017)SS / 14999(04), $10,861.38 Underrun
   r) Pontotoc County - Ct. St. - MC-262N(015) / 30187(04), $17,306.48
   s) Tulsa County - Co. Rd. - BRO-172D(598)CO / 15860(04), $12,396.56
   t) Tulsa County - I-44 - ACNHPPI-4400-(438)SS / 21899(04), $150,000.00
   u) Tulsa County - I-244 - NHPP-2440-(005)SS / STP-272C(103)SS / STP-28869(04), $8,900.00

163. Change Orders with Cumulative Total Greater than $75,000.00

   a) Beckham County - Co. Rd. - CIRB-105C(158)RB / 24840(04), $4,351.50 Underrun
   b) Bryan County - Ct. St. - NHPP-207N(064)SS / SSP-207N(066)SS / 32112(04), $75,103.71
   c) Cleveland County - Ct. St. - STP-214B(077)AG / 30501(04), $156,992.00
   d) Creek County - SH-16 - HSIPG-219F(027)TR / 30851(04), $70,794.30
   e) Dewey County - US-270 - NHPP-222N(023)SS / 17671(38), $91,866.59
   f) Kay County - SH-15 - ACNHPP1-3500-(035)(039)(038)SS / 27891(04), $259,435.33
   g) Noble County - SH-86 - STP-152B(172)SS / 26421(04)#3, $22,891.60
   h) Noble County - SH-86 - STP-152B(172)SS / 26421(04)#4, $4,561.36
   i) Oklahoma County - I-235 - ACNHPP1-2350-(004)(005)SS / 09033(16), $1,666.50
   j) Pittsburg County - SH-71 - ACSTP-161C(226)SS / 26348(04), $45,653.45
   k) Tulsa County - I-44 - IMY-0044-2(396)225 / 06374(44), $132,462.27
   l) Tulsa County - I-44 - ACNHPP1-4400-(438)SS / 21899(04), $150,000.00
   m) Tulsa County - US-75 - SSP-272F(067)SS / 23170(06), $277,949.35
   n) Tulsa County - I-44 - HSIPG-272C(122)IT / 23170(07), $4,537.57 Underrun
   o) Washington County - US-75 - NHPP-274N(016)SS / 27077(04), $29,075.75

ACTION: Regan moved and Huckabay seconded that the Items be approved as presented.
MOTION: Carried by the following vote:
AYES: Burrage, Overland, Love, Huckabay, Alexander, Burgess and Regan
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Fidler
ITEM PRESENTED BY THE OFFICE ENGINEER – Mr. Delce

164. Awards

November 16, 2017 – Regular Letting

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

NOTE: Addendum Item No. 167 was presented at this time.

ITEMS PRESENTED BY THE DIRECTOR – Mr. Patterson

167. Declaration of Emergency

District VIII – Tulsa County - Bridge repairs at 65th West Avenue Bridge over US-64/US-412 - $1,204,399.60

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

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

165. Director’s Report

Secretary Patterson said first, Commissioner Love, your point is well-taken about the bridges getting hit. Obviously, this one being hit again before we can get the first repairs done. We are going to pursue these things to the fullest extent that we can. We can't afford to keep having good bridges hit. It's hard enough to keep up with the bridges that we are trying to get replaced and repaired to have good bridges hit like this one.

Thank you for the awards that you made this morning. I know Commissioner Anderson was extremely excited about the CIRB project that you just awarded in Canadian County. The CIRB Program has been very fruitful for the State of Oklahoma since its inception in 2006. As of late, much like we have lost money in our program, the counties have lost money in their program. This is a situation that we should all be concerned about, as we look forward to making transportation, and continuing to make transportation a priority for the State. So I know Commissioners all across the state appreciate the awards of CIRB projects of which there were many in these 2 lettings. We will continue to work with the counties to get these projects let as quickly as we can.

This past week, there were 2 Silver Awards provided to the Department of Transportation by the American Concrete Pavement Association. One was in Division 2 on a county road, and it was TTK Construction; it was overseen by the Circuit Engineering District in that area and administered by Division 2. So congratulations on that award for the State of Oklahoma. The other one was in Blaine County on State
Highway 51 that was overseen by Division 5. We always work hard to get recognized by the nation for the fine work that's done by the Department and our County Governments here in Oklahoma. So kudos to Divisions 2 and 5; and to the respective county in Division 2.

This is a great month for us; we have been waiting for the month of November. The November letting has been a big one for us! You awarded a Boulevard Project here in downtown Oklahoma City; we have been waiting a long time to get this done. It took some backing up, re-evaluating downtown Oklahoma City, and we went through that process with the City. So now we find ourselves at a point where we can award this first project on the east end; so we will get started on this as quickly as we can. We will get the west end of the Boulevard to the point that we can take bids on it as well and get it awarded; so we can finish our task in downtown Oklahoma City. Because, I know they are anxious to have a new street, and we are anxious to deliver.

Other things we talked about are the completion of corridors that are also on this letting. One is up in Texas County on US-54, which is a major truck route in the Panhandle; which causes us grave concerns because of safety issues along north and east of Guymon. So being able to really get in there with earnest and start completing that corridor along with the US-270 corridor south of Seiling, as we continue our efforts of 4-laning from Oklahoma City up to Woodward.

Then we have SH-74 here in Oklahoma City on the west side. We have the south end of SH-74 coming off from Memorial Road, the Turnpike, the extension of the Lake Hefner Parkway; we have that completed. We have the north end up by Waterloo Road down to Covell Road, but we are missing the middle piece. You just awarded the middle piece, and we are anxious to get that completed so we can show that we can finish a project. We know what to do, know how to do it. We've waited for the money; we now have the money and we are going to finish it!

The last project, because of the money, may be the biggest one of them all is the I-35, I-235 and I-40 project. Brian Taylor pointed out to me; this may be the only place on I-35 out of the entire length of I-35 across this country that goes to one lane. And that one lane is to go from northbound to eastbound to the Dallas/Fort Smith Junction, whatever it is right there, and the one lane to go from westbound to southbound. We are going to add a lane to that because, as you know, congestion now has traffic backing up almost to 10th street up on I-35 to get around those corners. So we are going to see if we can get that fixed by adding a lane in there. That's a big project and you just awarded that for just over $5 million dollars; may be the best money we spent today.

Commissioner Burrage said he would agree with that. What year did we conceive the new crosstown?

Secretary Patterson said David Streb can answer that.

David Streb said the first public meeting was held January 1996.

Commissioner Burrage stated, 20 years!

Secretary Patterson said, 20 plus years, and we just awarded the Boulevard. So we are extremely happy about that. Sometimes it just takes forever to get some of this stuff done.

Commissioner Burrage said, 20 years; it is still a great accomplishment! So do we have 1 more project on the Boulevard?

Secretary Patterson said, yes, we have completed the east and west connections; and now we are doing the two middle projects. So we've got the east end of the Boulevard and the west bit.
Commissioner Love asked when the project modifying portions of the I-35/I-235/I-40 Junction was going to start and the estimated time of completion.

Secretary Patterson said they have to start no later than April 2nd and should have it completed in 5 months.

Commissioner Love said, so it will be done by this time next year.

Secretary Patterson said, yes it will, we have got a good contractor on it, so it's going to be good.

Commissioner Love asked, “How confident are you that the Legislature knows what they're doing on the CIRB cutback?

Director Patterson laughed and said, “You know Commissioner, I try not to answer, do I look too fat in these jeans questions”. Do I think they know what they're doing? I think they understand the impact that they are making, because I know it's been articulated by us, me personally and the rest of our staff, as well as the County Commissioners. I think they're receiving the message; they have to make decisions based on the messages that they receive; and I do believe they are receiving the message.

Commissioner Love responded, “Okay”.

One other thing, last Friday night, I had the opportunity to participate with the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad, along with Lori Peterson in an amazing event. It's where the BNSF runs a Holiday express; they put military families and their children on this train, and they share in the joys of Christmas, and Santa Claus does what Santa Claus does. They go around the country doing this; they were in Fort Worth Thursday night, here on Friday night and Springfield, Missouri, on Saturday night. It was a great event; and to see the impact it made on those children when they got off the train and they were looking for Santa to give him that last hug around his leg. It was a great trip; and wanted to mention that the benevolence of the BNSF is felt all across this country, and we work very close with them. They did a great job that night!

Commissioner Burrage said, we again want to acknowledge the Boulevard project and the other projects; and sometimes it takes a long time, but I think Oklahoma now is looking like a different state because of the transportation projects. This includes the county roads, the railway projects, and certainly the ones that ODOT and OTA has been involved in. I mean, it's a different day in Oklahoma and we thank our past Governors and our Legislators for getting us there.

Information Only: No Commission action required.

ITEM PRESENTED BY COMMISSION CHAIRMAN

166. Adjournment Motion

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

Meeting adjourned at 11:29 a.m.
Approval of the Minutes of the Transportation Commission Meeting December 4, 2017.

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David Burrage - Chairman

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Brad Burgess – Vice Chairman