MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION MEETING
HELD IN THE ODOT BUILDING COMMISSION MEETING ROOM
OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

DATE: Monday, August 1, 2011
TIME: 11:05 a.m.
PLACE: Commission Meeting Room, ODOT Building

BE IT REMEMBERED that on Monday the 1st day of August, 2011, at the hour of 11:05 a.m., the Transportation Commission met in the Commission Meeting Room of the ODOT Building in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Present: John Fidler Member
J. David Burrage Vice-Chairman
Greg Love Chairman
Bobby Alexander Member
Brad Burgess Member
Pete Regan Member

Absent: Dan Overland Member
Todd Huckabay Secretary

Presiding: Greg Love

The agenda for the Commission Meeting was posted at or before 3:15 p.m. on Thursday July 28, 2011 prior to the meeting. The notification was posted on the Atrium Informational Monitor in the ODOT building, on the glass doors on the north side of the ODOT Building and sent to the Secretary of State in accordance with 25 O.S. Section 311.

The following items were presented and approved as written at the Regular Transportation Commission meeting of August 1, 2011. For those items amended, deferred, or rejected, those notations were also made. Action taken by the Commission is noted here on these sheets.

Commissioner Love called the meeting to order and introduced special guest, Neal McCaleb, former Secretary of Transportation.

Commissioner Burrage introduced his brother, Steve Burrage, former State Auditor and Inspector.

ITEM PRESENTED BY THE SECRETARY TO THE COMMISSION

94. Approval of the Minutes of the Special Transportation Commission Meeting of July 11, 2011.

ACTION: Burgess moved and Burrage seconded that the Minutes be approved as presented.
MOTION: Carried by the following vote:
AYES: Fidler, Burrage, Love, Alexander, Burgess and Regan
NAYES:
ABSENT: Overland and Huckabay
CONSENT DOCKET PRESENTED BY COMMISSION CHAIRMAN

95. Traffic Control Improvement Project – Mr. Smart
   a) McIntosh County – District I - installation of approximately 8.0 miles of longitudinal cable barrier along I-40, beginning at the east side of Eufaula bridge and ending at Mile Marker 270
   b) Pottawatomie County – District III - installation of approximately 13.0 miles of longitudinal cable barrier along I-40, beginning approximately at half mile east of SH-18 and ending in Seminole County at 2.0 miles east of SH-99 with exceptions where the median is wider than 80 feet
   c) Beckham County – District V - installation of School Zone Advance Warning Signs with Flashing Beacons on I-40B in the City of Sayre
   d) Comanche County – District VII – replacement of signs along US-62 beginning at the Kiowa County line and extending east 25.0 miles to the Junction of I-44 in Comanche County
   e) Mayes County – District VIII – replacement of signs along US-412 beginning at the Rogers County line and extending east 10.0 miles to the Cherokee Turnpike entrance in Mayes County
   f) Mayes County – District VIII – replacement of signs along US-412 beginning east 16.5 miles to the Mayes County line in Rogers County

96. Speed Zone Revision – Mr. Smart
   a) Jackson County – District V – Along US-283 (SH-6)

97. Land Sales – Mr. Bell
   a) McClain County – District III – Land Sale – Approximately 1300 feet North of Fox Lane where it intersects with the Newcastle By-Pass in the City of Newcastle
   b) McClain County – District III – Land Sale – Approximately 228 feet North of NE 16th where it intersects with the Newcastle By-Pass in the City of Newcastle
   c) McClain County – District III – Land Sale – Approximately 700 feet North of NE 16th where it intersects with the Newcastle By-Pass in the City of Newcastle
   d) McClain County – District III – Land Sale – Approximately 1400 feet North of NE 16th where it intersects with the Newcastle By-Pass in the City of Newcastle
   e) McClain County – District III – Land Sale – At the SE corner of the intersection of US Highway No. 62 and NE 24th and the Newcastle By-Pass in the City of Newcastle

ACTION: Burrage moved and Fidler seconded that the Consent Docket be approved as presented.
MOTION: Carried by the following vote:
AYES: Fidler, Burrage, Love, Alexander, Burgess, and Regan
NAYES: 
ABSENT: Overland and Huckabay

END OF CONSENT DOCKET
ITEM PRESENTED ON BEHALF OF THE DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING – Mr. Tegeler

98. Engineering Contract
   a) Statewide – All Districts – Survey Services
      EC-1352 - $1,000,000.00 – Four (4) Consultants

      ACTION: Fidler moved and Alexander seconded that the Item be approved as presented.
      MOTION: Carried by the following vote:
      AYES: Fidler, Burrage, Love, Alexander, Burgess, and Regan
      NAYES:
      ABSENT: Overland and Huckabay

ITEMS PRESENTED ON BEHALF OF THE DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING – Mr. Tegeler

99. Engineering Contract Supplements
   a) Statewide – All Districts – Truss Bridge, Gusset Plate Rating
      EC-1212, Supplemental No. 2 – $2,170,000.00 – Michael J. Baker Jr., Inc.

      NOTE: Item 99.a) above is deferred.

   b) Statewide – All Districts – Bridge Redeck and Rehabilitation
      EC-1303, Supplement - $1,000,000.00 – Four (4) Consultants

   c) Okmulgee County – District I – Mitigation Plans, Tiger Creek
      EC-1154, Supplemental No. 1 - $31,000.00 – C.H. Guernsey, Inc.

   d) Oklahoma County – District IV - I-235/US-77 (Broadway Extension)
      EC-651, Supplement No. 5 - $3,177,870.00 – SAIC Energy

      NOTE: Item 99.d) above is deferred.

   e) Tulsa County – District VIII – I-44, Arkansas River to east of the Peoria Avenue Interchange
      EC-1000A, Supplement No. 2 - $142,000.00 – Poe & Associates, Inc.

      NOTE: Mr. Love asked Mr. Tegeler to explain why parts a) and d) were being deferred. Mr. Tegeler explained that since these 2 projects are so large, the Department wants to meet with the Commissioners to give them a briefing on what all these projects entail before they give their approval on parts a) and d).

      ACTION: Regan moved and Burrage seconded that Item 99 parts b), c) and e) be approved as presented, noting deferral of Item 99 parts a) and d).
      MOTION: Carried by the following vote:
      AYES: Fidler, Burrage, Love, Alexander, Burgess, and Regan
      NAYES:
      ABSENT: Overland and Huckabay
ITEM PRESENTED BY THE CHIEF ENGINEER – Mr. Evans

100. Transferring Portion of Chickasaw Turnpike
Murray County – District VII - Addition of SH 7 Spur to the State Highway System

NOTE: Commissioner Love asked if a situation like this had happened before. Secretary Ridley replied that the Department had never taken a section of a turnpike in the past. The Oklahoma Turnpike Authority (OTA) has rebuilt this portion of the turnpike bringing it up to ODOT standards and all ODOT would have to pay out, would be building the 2 ramps entering and exiting the turnpike. After completion of new interchange, OTA will still own the land, but ODOT would be responsible for the operation and maintenance of this segment of the Chickasaw Turnpike. A Bond Indenture conceived in 1988 allows the OTA to make this agreement with ODOT. We have had public meetings with the people in Sulphur about the traffic problems in this area due to the large amount of trucks entering and leaving the rock quarry plants. This is an opportunity for us to fix this problem very inexpensively and make the people in that area very happy.

Commissioner Alexander asked if this project would be covered in the 8 Year Plan or is it an expedited project. Secretary Ridley replied that it is covered in the 8 Year Plan.

ACTION: Burgess moved and Burrage seconded that the Item be approved as presented.
MOTION: Carried by the following vote:
AYES: Fidler, Burrage, Love, Alexander, Burgess, and Regan
NAYES:
ABSENT: Overland and Huckabay

ITEMS PRESENTED BY THE PROGRAMS DIVISION MANAGER – Mr. Adkins

101. Lettings

a) Deletions and Additions to the Bid Openings
b) Final October 2011 Bid Opening
c) Tentative November 2011 Bid Opening
d) Tentative December 2011 Bid Opening

ACTION: Burrage moved and Fidler seconded that the Items be approved as presented.
MOTION: Carried by the following vote:
AYES: Fidler, Burrage, Love, Alexander, Burgess, and Regan
NAYES:
ABSENT: Overland and Huckabay

ITEMS PRESENTED ON BEHALF OF THE CONSTRUCTION DIVISION ENGINEER – Mr. Shell

102. Change Orders – Cumulative Total - $50,000.00 or Less – Information Only

a) Alfalfa County – SH-8 – BRFY-102C(103) / 24063(04), $20,090.01
b) Bryan County – US-69 - STP-107N(161)TR / 10899(04), $19,691.45
c) Caddo County – IS-40 – BHFY-108C(163)/ERIM-040-3(078)087ER / 24073(04), $13,896.63
d) Cleveland County – Ct. St. – STP-STIM(501)AG / 27289(04), $5,071.08
e) Comanche County – US-62 – NYH-020N(030)(032) / 27048(04)#1, $7,990.00
f) Comanche County – US-62 – NYH-020N(030)(032) / 27048(04)#2, $7,990.00
g) Garfield County – SH-74 – SSP-124C(048)SS / 20979(04), $2,880.55
h) Garvin County – SH-19 – STP-STIM(449)EH / 27188(04), $32,888.96
i) Haskell County – SH-9 – BRFY-131B(067) / 23102(04), $10,456.76
ACTION: Burrage moved and Alexander seconded that the Items be approved as presented.

MOTION: Carried by the following vote:

AYES: Fidler, Burrage, Love, Alexander, Burgess, and Regan

NAYES: 

ABSENT: Overland and Huckabay

103. Change Orders – Cumulative Totals Greater Than $50,000.00

b) Adair County – US-59 – BHFY-101A(060) / 20883(05)#4, $84,583.39
c) Beckham County – IS-40B – STPY-105A(080) / 20800(04)#4, $9,450.00
d) Beckham County – IS-40B – STPY-105A(080) / 20800(04)#5, $297,555.00
e) Beckham County – IS-40B – STPY-105A(080) / 20800(04)#6, $103,627.48
f) Caddo County – SH-19 – BHFY-108C(140) / 21713(09), $109,558.63
g) Creek County – SH-97 – STP-JOBS(096)(100)3P / 26436(04), $65,253.87
h) Grady County – SH-19 – BHFY-126C(079) / 20959(04), $2,375.00
i) Kiowa County – US-183 – NHI-009N(055) / 16063(28), $94,665.31
j) Major County – Co. Rd. – CIRB-147D(103)RB / 22875(04), $152,066.40
k) McIntosh County – US-69 – BHFY-013N(020) / 08156(04), $50,310.00
l) McIntosh County – US-69 – NHI-013N(150)3P / 28297(04), $81,853.51
m) Muskogee County – SH-165 – STPY-151A(173) / 24789(04), $14,490.00
n) Oklahoma County – Ct. St. – STP-155A(544)AG / 23364(04), $2,155.21
o) Oklahoma County – Ct. St. – STP-STIM(414)AG / 26752(04), $70,786.98
p) Pawnee County – US-64 – STP-STIM(293)3/3R/NHI-STIM(294)3R / 26712(04), $12,360.50
q) Payne County – SH-33 – SSP-160B(019)SS/SEC1702Y-160B(167)SS / 06351(08), $180,000.00
r) Pittsburg County – US-69 – NH-JOBS(012)3R / 26296(08), $313,532.19
s) Roger Mills County – SH-30 – STPY-165C(119)(120)3P / 28130(04), $82,283.27
t) Tulsa County – Ct. St. – STP-172B(074)IG / 17310(04), $294,55 Underrun
u) Tulsa County – IS-244 – IM-STIM(049)(050)(047)(048) / 26362(05), $282,555.94
v) Tulsa County – Ct. St. – STP-STIM(510)IG / 27837(04), $435,830.80
w) Woods County – US-64 – SSR-176A(140)SR/MC-176A(181) / 24634(04), $58,515.53
ITEM PRESENTED ON BEHALF OF THE OFFICE ENGINEER – Mr. Pajoh

104. Awards

July 21, 2011 - Regular Letting

ACTION: Burgess moved and Regan seconded that the Item be approved as presented.
MOTION: Carried by the following vote:
AYES: Fidler, Burrage, Love, Alexander, Burgess, and Regan
NAYES: 
ABSENT: Overland and Huckabay

ITEM PRESENTED BY THE COMPTROLLER – Ms. Hilmes

105. Settlement for Damages to State Property

Gus Pannell - $50.00

ACTION: Burrage moved and Fidler seconded that the Item be approved as presented.
MOTION: Carried by the following vote:
AYES: Fidler, Burrage, Love, Alexander, Burgess, and Regan
NAYES: 
ABSENT: Overland and Huckabay

ITEM PRESENTED BY THE SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION – Mr. Ridley

106. Director’s Report

Secretary Ridley thanked the Commissioners for approving a project that has been long overdue and long awaited, and that is the last paving job on the I-40 relocation in downtown Oklahoma City. This project gives us a fairly firm date as to when we can take the traffic off the existing bridge and put it on the new alignment. The Contractor bid 240 days, so that means it should be done by the end of April or before. They have a $25,000.00 a day incentive and disincentive on this project. This is the last project in the first phase of relocating I-40, the next phase will be reconnecting the downtown area to I-35, I-40 and I-235. This is a great milestone for the Department.

Secretary Ridley stated we have not heard anything from Congress in Washington D.C. concerning how much federal money we will receive. He said a few weeks ago he had to give testimony on the reauthorization bill before the Environment & Public Works (EPW) Committee. He thinks they are getting closer to having final resolutions and hopes to know something within the next couple of months.

Commissioner Regan asked if there was a timeline on when Congress has to have a decision made on the Highway Bill. Secretary Ridley explained the end of the federal fiscal year is at the end of September, a decision has to be made both on the authorizing legislation, as well as the appropriation portion. However, we are now on a continuing resolution for the SAFETEA-LU Bill and have been for 2 years, it ended in September, 2009.

Commissioner Love asked if Congress would just sign another 2 year continuing resolution bill if no decision is made on the authorizing legislation. Secretary Ridley stated that is probably what would happen, but Senator Inhofe and Congressman Lankford are focused on having an authorization piece of legislation in place. He said it is just hard to predict what will happen.
Commissioner Love asked Secretary Ridley to give a little background on the I-40 pedestrian bridge. Secretary Ridley said the pedestrian bridge is going to be built just east of the Union Pacific Station and will be built by the City of Oklahoma City in concert with ODOT. ODOT was already obligated to build a pedestrian bridge there as part of the litigation process of when the “Record of Decision” on the Environmental work was done, and had committed 3.5 million dollars for that project. The City of Oklahoma City wanted a different kind of bridge than we were going to build; they wanted more of a signature bridge. So it was decided that we would let the City build the bridge and ODOT would contribute the allotted 3.5 million dollars towards the cost of this signature bridge.

Commissioner Love asked about the timeline on the deconstruction of the old bridge. Secretary Ridley explained that the plan is to start deconstruction as soon as possible after traffic is rerouted to the new I-40. He stated that it would take about 8 months to deconstruct since we want to try and reuse the beams.

Commission Burrage commended the Department for all their hard work on what they have accomplished.

Information Only; No Commission action required.

Meeting adjourned at 11:33 a.m.
Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Transportation Commission Meeting of August 1, 2011.

Greg Love – Chairman

David Burrage – Vice Chairman

Information Only: No Commission action required.