**Minutes of the Rural Technical Coordinating Committee (RTCC) Meeting**

**April 21, 2021**

**10:00 a.m.**

**Call to Order**

The April 21, 2021 RTCC meeting was held via Zoom. The RTCC Meeting was opened and called to order by RTCC Chairperson Rhett White at 10:01 a.m.

**Roll Call**

ARPO Director Angela Welsh determined a quorum was met with the following members in attendance:

Lori Lociccero, Currituck County; Shellley Cox, Pasquotank County; Kevin Howard, Chowan county; Donna Creef, Dare County; Bill Rich, Hyde County; David Clegg, Tyrrell County; Frank Heath, Perquimans County; Wes Haskett, Tow of Southern Shores; Joe Heard, Town of Duck; Craig Midgett, NCDOT Division 1; Curtis Potter, Washington County; Beshad Norwozi, NCDOT-TPD; Pam Hurdle, Town of Hertford; Ken Bowman, Camden County; Rhett White, Town of Columbia;

**Agenda Approval**

Frank Heath, Perquimans County, motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Donna Creef, Dare County, seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**Approval/Adoption of Minutes from October 21, 2020 Meeting**

Frank Heath, Perquimans County, motioned to approve the October 21, 2020 Minutes. Bill Rich, Hyde County, seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**Approval/Adoption of Minutes from May 20, 2020 Meeting**

Donna Creef, Dare County, motioned to approve the May 20, 2020 Minutes as presented. Bill Rich, Hyde County, seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**RTCC Chair and Vice-Chair Election Approval**

Frank Heath, Perquimans County, motioned for Rhett White to continue as the RTCC Chair. Bill Rich, Hyde County, seconded the motion. With a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Frank Heath, Perquimans County, motioned for Bill Rich as the RTCC Vice-Chair. Donna Creef, Dare County, seconded the motion. With a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

**ARPO Legislative Agenda**

Chairperson White asked for a motion to recommend adopting the APRO Legislative Agenda for 2021 priorities. Donna Creef, Dare County, asked for clarification on the order of the projects. ARPO Director Welsh responded stating the projects are in no particular order. Frank Heath, Perquimans County suggested to notate on the document stating the projects are in no particular order. Donna Creef, Dare County, requested the Lindsay C Warren Bridge, known as the Alligator River Bridge, moved up to the top of the list as one or two.

Bill Rich, Hyde County, motioned the replacement of the Lindsay C Warren Bridge, known as the Alligator River Bridge, be moved to the second bullet point of the ARPO Legislative Agenda. Frank Heath, Perquimans County, seconded the motion.

Frank Heath, Perquimans County, seconded the motion. With no further discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

**FY 2021-2022 Planning Work Program Approval**

ARPO Director Welsh discussed the FY 2021-2022 Planning Work Program.

Shelley Cox, Pasquotank County, motioned to approve the FY 2021-2022 Planning Work Program. Joe Heard, Town of Duck, seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**ARPO Mini -Grants**

ARPO Director Welsh discussed the ARPO mini-grants. ARPO Director Welsh informed the board of four applications received for the mini-grants.

Bill Rich, Hyde County, motioned to approve all four requests as submitted. Shelley Cox, Pasquotank County, seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**P 6.0 Methodology Approval**

ARPO Director Welsh discussed the P 6.0 Methodology.

Bill Rich, County, motioned to approve the revised the P 6.0 Methodology. Donna Creef, Dare County, seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**P 6.0 Project Scores Tentative Approval**

ARPO Director Welsh discussed the P 6.0 Project Scores.

Joe Heard, Town of Duck, motioned to tentatively approve the P 6.0 Project Scores. Wes Haskett, Town of Southern Shores, seconded the motion.

ARPO Director Welsh asked for direction from the board as to if they would like her to bring back recommendations from the division when the local input point assignments are drafted. The consensus of the board was to move forward with bringing back recommendations.

With no further discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

**Adjournment**

Chairperson White adjourned the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

**Presentations**

**NCDOT Update:**

Craig Midgett and Sterling Baker provided an update of NCDOT’s projects.

**Ferry Division Update:**

Jed Dixon provided an update in the ferry division.

**TPD Update:**

Beshad Norwozi provided an update for the Transportation Planning Division.

**Minutes of the Rural Technical Advisory Committee (RTAC) Meeting**

**April 21, 2021**

**11:30 a.m.**

**Call to Order**

The April 21, 2021 RTAC meeting was held via Zoom. The RTAC Meeting was opened and called to order by RTAC Chairperson Lloyd Griffin at 11:31 a.m.

**Roll Call**

ARPO Director Angela Welsh determined a quorum was met with the following voting members in attendance:

Wally Overman, Dare County; Linda Hofler, Gates County; Lloyd Griffin, Pasquotank County; Larry McLaughlin, Chowan County; Carol Phelps, Washington County.

Non-Voting members in attendance: Chris Ruffieux, Elizabeth City

**Agenda Approval**

Linda Hofler, Gates County, motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Larry McLaughlin, Chowan County, seconded the motion. With a roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously.

**Approval/Adoption of Minutes from May 20, 2020 and October 21, 2020 Meeting**

Wally Overman, Dare County, motioned to approve the May 20, 2020 and the October 21, 2020 Minutes. Linda Hofler, Gates County, seconded the motion. With no further discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

**RTCC Chair and Vice-Chair Election Approval**

Linda Hofler, Gates County, motioned for Lloyd Griffin to continue as the RTAC Chair. Larry McLaughlin, Chowan County, seconded the motion. With a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Linda Hofler, Gates County, motioned for Wally Overman as the RTAC Vice-Chair. Larry McLaughlin, Chowan County, seconded the motion. With a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

**ARPO Legislative Agenda**

Chairman Griffin discussed the recommendation from the RTCC Board for the ARPO Legislative Agenda.

Larry McLaughlin, Chowan County, motioned to accept the ARPO Legislative Agenda as amended. Wally Overman, Dare County, seconded the motion. With a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

**FY 2021-2022 Planning Work Program Approval**

Wally Overman, Dare County, motioned to approve the FY 2021-2022 Planning Work Program. Larry McLaughlin, Chowan County, seconded the motion. With no further discussion, the motion caried unanimously.

**ARPO Mini -Grants**

ARPO Director Welsh discussed the ARPO mini-grants. ARPO Director Welsh informed the board of four applications received for the mini-grants.

Linda Hofler, Gates County, motioned to approve all four requests as submitted.

Larry McLaughlin, Chowan County, asked why the entities can’t come up with the money on their own? Chairman Griffin discussed member counties participate in a percentage match for the RPO. This helps give back to the member counties.

Larry McLaughlin, Chowan County, seconded the motion. With a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

**P 6.0 Methodology Approval**

Wally Overman, Dare County, motioned to approve the revised P 6.0 Methodology. Linda Hofler, Gates County, seconded the motion. With a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

**P 6.0 Project Scores Tentative Approval**

Larry McLaughlin, Chowan County, motioned to tentatively approve the P 6.0 Project Scores and bring recommendations back to the next meeting. Wally Overman, Dare County, seconded the motion. With a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

**Adjournment**

Chairperson Griffin adjourned the meeting at 11:51 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ashley Stallings

Albemarle Commission

Administrative & Benefits Coordinator

For

Angela Welsh, Secretary

ARPO Director