

May 10, 2011

At a special meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Prince Edward County, held at the Court House, thereof, on Tuesday, the 10th day of May, 2011; at 6:00 p.m., there were present:

Howard M. Campbell

William G. Fore, Jr.

Don C. Gantt, Jr.

Robert M. Jones

Howard F. Simpson

Absent: Charles W. McKay, Jim R. Wilck, Mattie P. Wiley

Also present: Wade Bartlett, County Administrator; Sarah Elam Puckett, Assistant County Administrator; Jorg Huckabee-Mayfield, VDOT; Randy Hamilton, VDOT.

Chairman Fore called the special meeting to order, stating its purpose is for a work session on the Six Year Road Plan with VDOT.

In Re: VDOT FY12-FY17 Six Year Plan

Mr. Randy Hamilton, VDOT Resident Administrator, presented a working draft of the FY12-FY17 Six Year Plan. He stated the priorities remain:

- Route 643 (Back Hampden-Sydney Road) – Reconstruction for safety purposes, 0.08 miles west of Route 644 to 0.57 miles east of Route 644
- Route 619 (Lockett Road) – Replace existing bridge and approaches
- Route 601 (Aspen Hill Road) – Pave in place with curve corrections, 0.01 mile north of Route 460 to 0.01 mile south of Route 619

Supervisor Campbell asked when work is expected to begin on the Lockett Road Bridge; Mr. Hamilton said the funding is scheduled to begin in 2016-2017. The project will use dedicated bridge funds and he is looking into the possibility of expediting the preliminary engineering in case federal funds are available. Mrs. Huckabee-Mayfield stated bridge funding is harder to predict as it is all federally funded.

Mrs. Sarah Elam Puckett, Assistant County Administrator, said the County needs \$15,700 for FY11-FY12 for Route 601 and the rights of way along that road, and asked if the funding comes available by July 1. Mr. Hamilton stated it does, and the road would be scheduled to conceivably begin on the next calendar or fiscal year. He stated if the County gets the rights of way, and the funds are available, VDOT can have the project completed by 2015.

Mrs. Puckett stated two landowners donated the rights of way; one landowner has yet to respond.

Discussion followed.

Supervisor McKay entered the meeting at this time.

Mrs. Celina Schmucker, attending the meeting presented traffic safety concerns on Route 601 where pedestrians and equine access the High Bridge Trail; she requested speed limit signs on the Route 619 side through to above the trail crossing. Mrs. Huckabee-Mayfield stated that a speed study will be conducted once the project is complete because driver behavior will change; VDOT will then set a speed limit and post signs.

Supervisor Gantt asked when construction of the bridge on Route 623 is anticipated; Mrs. Huckabee-Mayfield stated that project isn't on the Secondary Six-Year Plan and is probably on the Bridge Priority list. Discussion followed. Mrs. Puckett stated she believed the project was to begin in 2013-2014.

Mr. Hamilton said there is also a Primary Six Year Plan, and added a public hearing will be held in Salem District Office at 6:00 p.m. regarding the Primary Six Year Plan. Mrs. Huckabee-Mayfield added that is the primary system, but it includes some federal money. She said this particular project is in the Secondary system but includes bridge funding so it's included as well. Discussion followed.

Supervisor Jones made a motion to authorize the advertisement of a Joint Public Hearing on the proposed Secondary Six-Year Plan for Fiscal Years 2011-2012 through Fiscal Year 2016-2017 in Prince Edward County, and on the Secondary System Construction Budget for Fiscal Year 2011-2012 at its June 14, 2011 meeting; the motion carried:

Aye: Howard M. Campbell
William G. Fore, Jr.
Don C. Gantt
Robert M. Jones
Charles W. McKay
Howard F. Simpson

Nay: None

Absent: Jim R. Wilck
Mattie P. Wiley

In Re: Highway Matters

Mrs. Jorg Huckabee-Mayfield, Transportation and Land Use Director, provided an update on VDOT activities and projects:

- Maintenance forces will continue to cut brush along Routes 606 and 613; VDOT crews will make surface repairs on secondary routes, boom axe on secondary hard-surfaced roads and address customer concerns
- Route 623 over Sandy River – the road will be closed from April 11 to July 15 for bridge replacement. A signed detour using Routes 612 and 611 will be in place.
- VDOT has been requested to consider placing either a larger yield sign or two yield signs at the end of the westbound exist ramp at Dowdy’s Corner on Route 15. A second YIELD sign has been installed
- A speed study has been requested for Schultz Mill Road (Route 632) between Route 628 (Mountain Creek Road) and Route 629 (Gallion Road). We will install Reverse Curve Left and Right Signs with a 30 MPH Advisory Speed Plate at curves on the unpaved and paved sections of Route 632
- After review of a request to install NO U TURN Signs at the intersection of Route 15 and Route 628; a NO U-TURN sign will be installed in the south median nose facing the Route 15 southbound left turn lane
- VDOT has received a request for a SCHOOL BUS STOP AHEAD sign be placed between 12219 and 11971 Howardsville Turnpike; this request is under review
- Route 702 – The roadway beyond the current End of State Maintenance sign cannot be brought up to state roadway standards at this time. We recommend that the LOGOS sign directing motorists to this location be removed
- The Draft Secondary Six Year Plan has been provided to the Board of Supervisors for review

Supervisor Jones stated sediment has plugged up the culvert at 2456 Poor House Road, and that a citizen has requested grading on Route 740. He also asked about the bridge replacement on Route 613; Mrs. Huckabee-Mayfield said all projects are on schedule.

Supervisor Gantt stated there is a large tree limb over Route 630, between Route 628 and where it turns back into Route 630, just past the Poplar Hill subdivision, which appears to be dead and about to fall. He added Route 702 needs gravel, and Route 635 is in bad shape and needs gravel.

Supervisor Campbell stated there is a private culvert that is stopped up on Route 460 near the Marathon and Prospect Seafood shops; standing water has been observed there for several days.

On motion of Supervisor Simpson and adopted by the following vote:

Aye:	Howard M. Campbell	Nay: None
	William G. Fore, Jr.	
	Don C. Gantt	
	Robert M. Jones	
	Charles W. McKay	
	Howard F. Simpson	

Absent: Jim R. Wilck
Mattie P. Wiley

the meeting was adjourned at 6:34 p.m.