

CITIZENS TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

DRAFT Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, June 14th, 2023 - 6:00pm

406 Princess Anne Street, Fredericksburg

<https://www.fampo.gwregion.org/>

A video recording of the meeting is posted on the Citizens Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC) web page: <https://www.fampo.gwregion.org/citizens-transportation-advisory-committee/> and on YouTube at: [LINK](#)

Committee Members Present:

Matthew Rowe, City of Fredericksburg – Chair

Tim Welsh, Spotsylvania County

TaMara Banks, At-Large

Brett Bearce, City of Fredericksburg

Joe Brito, Stafford County

Rupert Farley, At-Large

Committee Members Absent:

Nicolas Kwatnoski, Stafford County – Vice Chair

Jeron Hayes, King George County

Justin Chenault, Caroline County

Jacob Clay, Spotsylvania County

Micah Cunningham, Spotsylvania

Patricia Encarnacion, City of Fredericksburg

Michael Hoyt, Caroline County

Ken Pogue, Caroline County

Dustin Savage, At-Large

Morgan Burch, Spotsylvania County

David McLaughlin, City of Fredericksburg

Glenn Goldsmith, Stafford County

Rodney Thomas, At-Large

Larry Gross, At-Large

Others Present

Kristina Server

Al Watkins

Fran Larkins

Bill Scaife

Staff Present:

John Ridout, Transportation Planner II
Connor Anderson, GIS Technician/Transportation Planner
Kari Eaves Transportation Planner II

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Rowe at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

John Ridout conducted roll call and a quorum was present.

3. Approval of the June 14th, 2023, Citizens Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC) Agenda (ACTION ITEM)

Motion was made to approve the agenda.
Motion: Joe Brito; Second: Tim Welsh
Discussion: None.
Motion passed with unanimous consent.

4. Approval of May 10, 2023, CTAC Meeting Minutes (ACTION ITEM)

Motion was made to approve the minutes.
Motion: Tim Welsh; Second Joe Brito.
Motion passed with unanimous consent.

5. Public Comment

Kristina Server of Stafford County made public comment about the River Crossing Study. They wanted to bring attention to the potential development impacts and environmental concerns of the project on the England Run Lane community. There would be pile on impacts to the environment not just from the bridge but from the infill development.

Al Watkins of Stafford County made public comment to notify that there will be a public hearing at the Stafford Board of Supervisors regarding the rezoning of hundreds of acres. The rezoning would modify/change the River Crossing options.

Fran Larkins of Stafford County made public comment stating despite which route the river crossing takes, all options need to ensure that there are no heavy trucks allowed on the road.

Bill Scaife of Stafford County made public comment that if rezoning is happening and if there is new commercial zoning near the river crossing area, folks should be aware that the new commercial land near the Lowes that is sitting vacant.

Correspondence: None

6. The CTAC bylaws were confirmed via the consent agenda.

7. Action/Discussion Items

a. VCR Trail Update by Kari Eaves

Kari Eaves provided an update of the VCR Trail Study. Public Comment was open until July 13th. Kari discussed the various crossing opportunities and the preferred options as how the VCR trail could cross I-95 as well as improvements to the Route 1 and Route 3 crossings. Of note, Kari informed the CTAC that the cost estimates were likely needed to have additional refinement and FAMPO has the consultant to reevaluate the estimates.

b. Endorse Resolution 23-24. John Ridout provided a brief update on the UPWP for recommendation to the Policy Committee
Motion was made to endorse to the Policy Committee
Motion: Brett Bearce; Second Joe Brito. No discussion.
Motion passed with unanimous consent.

c. Endorse Resolution 23-26 to recommend the New River Crossing Study for the policy Committee adoption.
Motion was made to endorse to the Policy Committee
Motion: Joe Brito; Second Brett Bearce.
Discussion: Tim Welsh suggested that Spotsylvania needs to be added to the River Crossing consideration as a potential crossing option.
Motion passed.

d. Endorse Resolution 23-30. John Ridout provided a brief explanation of the requested TIP amendment.
Motion was made to endorse to the Policy Committee
Motion: Brett Bearce; Tim Welsh. No discussion.
Motion passed with unanimous consent.

e. Election of Officers.

Nicolas Kwatnoski was nominated to Chair the CTAC and Tim Welsh was nominated to serve as Vice Chair.

Discussion: Brett Bearce asked if a person could be nominated if absent at the June meeting. Matt Rowe responded that yes, they could be nominated, and that Nicolas Kwatnoski was expecting the nomination.

Motion was made to elect Nicolas Kwatnoski as Chair of CTAC:
Motion Brett Bearce; Second Joe Brito. No Discussion
Motion passed with unanimous consent.

Motion was made to elect Tim Welsh as Vice-Chair of CTAC:

Motion Brett Bearce; Second Tim Welsh. No Discussion
Motion passed with unanimous consent.

8. Staff Reports

John Ridout presented Matt Rowe with a Certification of Appreciation for serving as Chair of CTAC. John Ridout provided an update of both the Policy Committee May meeting and the June meeting of TAC. Much of the materials provided to the CTAC from both meetings were covered, including information about the May Policy Committee meeting that took place at VDOT's Deacon Road auditorium. In addition, John Ridout provided an update of potential changes to SmartScale.

9. Final Public Comment:

Christina Server added additional comments about the River Crossing on page 26 and that all the land is spoken for.

10. Community Reports

A. Matt Rowe provided identified route signage updates and FAMPO and VDOT will coordinate on further specific concerns.

Tim Welsh suggested that someone needs to check the culvert at Snow Creek as folks are crossing the double yellow to avoid a hazard.

TaMara Banks recommends that the intersections at Princess Anne and Dixon as well as Charles and Dixon need to be addressed on some level. It is dangerous and visibility is limited. Traffic mirrors or something before there is a fatality.

B. Members reports, topics of interest, partner information:

Joe Brito noted that Stafford County has a comprehensive plan that was approved in 2021. It has maps for many things. Matt Rowe also added the Stafford County GIS interactive map is available as well.

11. Future Agenda Items: No meeting in July!

12. Adjourn/Next CTAC Meeting August 9th

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m.
Motion: Tim Welsh, Seconded: TaMara Banks.
Motion passed by unanimous consent.