



Virginia's Region 2000 Local Government Council Meeting

The Parlor, 900 Main Street
Lynchburg, Virginia
September 18, 2014, 5:00 pm

Members Present:

Kenneth Bumgarner, Town of Amherst Council
Waverly Coggsdale, Altavista Town Manager
Aileen Ferguson, Appomattox County Administrator
Joan Foster, Lynchburg City Council
Stanley Goldsmith, Campbell County Board of Supervisors
Stacey Hailey, Bedford Town Council
Mayor Paul Harvey, Town of Appomattox
Jack Hobbs, Amherst Town Manager
Charles Kolakowski, Bedford Town Manager
Mayor Mike Mattox, Town of Altavista, *Chair*
L. Kimball Payne, Lynchburg City Manager
Dean Rodgers, Amherst County Administrator
John Sharp, Bedford County Board of Supervisors

Absent:

Mayor Phyllis Campbell, Town of Brookneal
Delegate Scott Garrett, Virginia House of Delegates
Sen. Tom Garrett, Senate of Virginia
Bill Gillespie, Appomattox Town Manager
R. David Lurrell, Campbell County Administrator
Mark Reeter, Bedford County Administrator
Gary Tanner, Appomattox County Board of Supervisors
Russell Thurston, Brookneal Town Manager
Claudia Tucker, Amherst County Board of Supervisors

Others Present:

Elizabeth Arledge, Evergreen Solutions LLC, Director, National Capital Region
Emmie Boley, Local Government Council
Ed Craighill, Boxley Materials Co.
Nick Donohue, Commonwealth of Virginia, Deputy Secretary of Transportation
Philipp Gabathuler, Local Government Council, Senior Planner
Robert Garcia, VDOT
Randy Hamilton, VDOT
Gaynelle Hart, City of Lynchburg, Director of Public Works
Kelly Hitchcock, Local Government Council, Senior Planner
Christine Kennedy, Lynchburg Chamber of Commerce, Interim President
Megan Lucas, Region 2000 Alliance, CEO
Rosalie Majerus, Local Government Council, Deputy Finance Director
Barry Moore, Liberty University, VP Outreach & Strategic Partnerships
Matt Perkins, Local Government Council, Administrative Program Coordinator
Turner Perrow, Lynchburg City Council
Edie Swan, Lynchburg City, Director of Advocacy & Special Projects
Shannon Valentine, Commonwealth Transportation Board

Chris Winstead, VDOT Lynchburg District, District Administrator
Bob White, Local Government Council, Deputy Director of Core Services
Rick Youngblood, VDOT

Meeting Minutes

1. **Welcome and moment of silence:** Mike Mattox, Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m., welcomed the Council, and opened with a moment of silence.
2. **Approval of Minutes of July 17, 2014 and August 21, 2014:** Upon a motion by Kim Payne, seconded by Waverly Coggsdale, the meeting minutes from the April 17, 2014 and May 15, 2014 Local Government Council meetings were unanimously approved as presented.
3. **Finance report:** Rosalie Majerus, Deputy Director of Finance, presented the year-to-date financial report through June 30, 2014. Rosalie noted that revenues and expenditures were tracking according to plan. Majerus also presented a proposed change in format to better present direct operating costs by separating the pass-thru expenses and revenues of the Radio Board and WIB.
4. **Mr. Nick Donohue, Deputy Secretary of Transportation to update the Region on HB2 and regional priorities for transportation projects:**

Nick Donohue addressed the Council on HB 2, which provides for the development of a prioritization process for projects funded by the Commonwealth Transportation Board, and briefed the Council on the state of transportation in the Commonwealth. He noted that the prioritization will weigh factors such as congestion mitigation, economic development, accessibility, safety, and environmental quality as well as mentioning those areas that the prioritization process will exclude. He also noted that the Department of Transportation plans to have a process adopted by the Summer of 2015. He mentioned that prioritization process does not guarantee outcomes but rather dictates the process in order that there is transparency and accountability regarding the projects that are funded; the CTB maintains policy discretion in deciding what projects are ultimately funded. He asked the Council for two things: 1) Stay engaged in the process as the Governor's plan moves forward and 2) begin a regional dialogue on project evaluation and weighting and what body will present projects to the CTB for consideration.

Shannon Valentine, likewise, addressed the Council on work of the CTB and other aspects of the prioritization process.

Nick Donohue fielded questions from the Council and those other guests present.

Chris Winstead noted VDOT Lynchburg District's public hearing on the 6 Year Improvement Plan.

5. **Items from Staff:**

Gary Christie mentioned to the Council that he would like them to begin consideration of the Council's legislative priorities to be sent to the General Assembly for FY15.

Christie also asked the Council for their consideration of the Fall LGC dinner meeting. The Council, by consensus, agreed to forgo the fall dinner meeting and wait until the Spring of 2015.

6. Items from Council

No matters were brought before Council.

7. Closed session to consider personnel, promotions and salary matters of the Local Government Council and Services Authority:

Upon a motion by Joan Foster to go into closed session in accordance with the Virginia Code 2.2-3711(A) (1) for the discussion of personnel, promotions and salaries of employees of the Local Government Council and the Services Authority, seconded by Kevin Payne, the motion carried unanimously.

In closed session, the Council appointed an ad hoc committee to further review the information presented and to report back to the Council with observations and recommendations at a future meeting.

Upon a motion by Joan Foster to return to open session pursuant to Section 2.2-3712.D and certify that only those business matters lawfully identified in the motion to go into closed session and exempt from the open meeting requirements of the Freedom of Information Act were heard, discussed or considered in a closed session, seconded by Kevin Payne, the motion carried unanimously.

8. Adjourn: With no further business and on consensus of the Council to adjourn, Mike Mattox adjourned the Council at 6:32 p.m.

Signed: 

By: Mike Mattox, Chair (title)