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# TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES July 12, 2022, 6:00PM

- I. Welcome: The meeting was called to order at 6:05PM. Mr. David Carter, Mr. Keith Wilmont, Mr. Rick Lasater, Mr. Scott McCall, Mr. Mark Tooley and Mr. Jimmy Whitmire and Mr. Howard Granat were present. Mr. Troy Wilson, Mr. Steve Williams and Mr. Lonnie Watkins from North Carolina DOT were also in attendance.
- II. Public Comment: There was no public comments.
- **III.** Agenda Modifications: There were no proposed agenda modifications.

### IV. Consent Agenda:

**A.** Minutes (April 26, 2022)

There was no discussion of the consent agenda. Mr. Tooley moved to approve the consent agenda. Mr. Lasater seconded the motion. All present members voted in favor and the motion carried.

## V. Old Business:

A. NCDOT State STIP Program Update

Mr. Steve Williams gave updates on the STIP Program. He discussed budget increases and changes and warned of the possibility of postponed projects.

**B.** NCDOT Current Project Update:

Mr. Lonnie Watkins gave updates on N. Country Club Road, the Davidson River Connector and the planned landscaping project in the roundabouts. Mr. Wilson also gave an update on Hart Road and its plan for 2024.

**C.** Transylvania County Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) Update Ms. Vicki Eastland had to miss the meeting and will give updates at the meeting in October.

#### VI. New Business:

A. Director's Report

Planning and Community Development director gave updates on Transportation staff. Positions are currently open for Van Drivers and an offer has been made to a candidate for the Transportation Planner Position. The next TAC meeting will take place on Tuesday October 11, 2022 at 6:00PM in the Cooperative Extension Conference Room.

# VII. Public Comment:

Mr. Ralph Frady discussed a special use permit for an RV Park off Davidson River Road. Mr. Frady was concerned about traffic flow in the area because of the increased density and water runoff. Mr. McNeill explained that zoning permit would have been issued by the City of Brevard, not Transylvania County. Mr. Watkins explained the process of a traffic impact survey. Mr. Harold Paxton discussed the Green River Bridge Project and thanked those in attendance for the project updates. He also discussed a concern for the increased traffic on Hannah Ford Road and suggested lowering the speed limit to 35mph. He was also concerned about large trucks using the road and suggested restricting the road to 2 axels or less. Mr. Carter agreed with Mr. Paxton. Mr. Watkins explained the process for implementing those restrictions.

#### VIII. Committee Members' Comments:

All Commission Members briefly discuss ongoing and future projects with the NCDOT and the suggested changes to Hannah Ford Road. Mr. McCall moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Lasater seconded the motion. All present members voted in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 7:15PM.

Darby Terrell, Planner

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