

Minutes of the Meeting of the State Highway
Commission of Virginia, Held in
Richmond, June 22, 1958

The Commission met in the Central Office Building, Richmond, Virginia, at 8:50 A.M., Friday, June 22, 1958. The following members were present: Messrs. E. P. Barrow, S. S. Flythe, S. D. May, Burgess E. Nelson, S. W. Rawls, Tucker C. Watkins, Jr. and J. A. Anderson.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman.

The Commission instructed the Chairman to write a letter to the Assistant Secretary expressing sympathy in her illness.

On motion made and seconded the minutes of the May 16-18 meeting were approved.

Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Barrow, that the permits issued from the May 16-18 meeting to date, inclusive, as recorded in the Auditing Division, be approved. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Barrow, that the permits cancelled by the Commissioner from the May 16-18 meeting to June 22, inclusive, as authorized June 25, 1947, and recorded in the Auditing Division be approved. Motion carried.

Moved by Senator Nelson, seconded by Mr. May, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received May 16 for the construction of Project 1675-04-05-10, Route 15, 1.715 Miles E. of Norfolk-Princess Anne County Line - Intersection Route 60 (Diamond Springs), Princess Anne County, to the low bidder, E. V. Williams Company, Inc., Norfolk, Va., and W. H. Scott, Inc., Franklin, Va., at the bid of \$227,076.49, that 1% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$2,534.00 for work by railroad (not included in contract) and \$5,834.00 for work by State Forces (not included in contract), making a total of approximately \$257,950.00 chargeable to this project; additional \$7,950.00 required to be provided from the Suffolk District Construction Reserve Fund. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. May, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received May 16 for the construction of Project 2066-11-12; 2059-05, Route 17, 0.241 Mile N. of Intersection Route 55 (At Gleams) - 1.065 Miles N. of Gloucester County Line, Middlesex and Gloucester Counties, to the low bidder, E. V. Williams Co., Inc., Norfolk, Va., at the bid of \$281,015.53, that 1% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$2,066.00 for work by State Forces (not included in contract), making a total of approximately \$311,200.00 chargeable to this project; to be financed with \$156,850.00 State and \$154,550.00 Federal Funds; additional \$61,200.00 required to be provided from the Fredericksburg District Construction Reserve fund. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Watkins, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received May 18 for the construction of Project 8185-06-08, 8182-01 Contract I, Route 19, 2.808 Miles West of Routes 19 and 480 (Claypool Hill)-1.509 Miles W. of Tasewell-Russell County Line, Russell and Tasewell Counties, to the low bidder, Wiley H. Jackson Co., Roanoke, Va., at the bid of \$619,514.55, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$5,950.00 for work by State Forces (not included in contract), making a total of approximately \$687,200.00 chargeable to this project; to be financed with \$548,580.00 State and \$840,620.00 Federal Funds. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Watkins, seconded by Mr. Barrow, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received May 18 for the construction of Project 1776-17-20, Route 29, 4.825 Miles West of Fairfax County Line-5.884 Miles west of Fairfax County Line, Prince William County, to the low bidder, Piedmont Asphalt Paving Co., Inc., Alexandria, Va., at the bid of \$102,202.43, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$1,278.00 for work by State Forces (not included in contract), making a total of approximately \$115,700.00 chargeable to this project; to be financed with \$47,928.00 State, \$9,587.00 Federal-aid and \$57,577.00 Federal Interstate Funds. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Barrow, seconded by Mr. Flythe, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received May 18 for the construction of Project 1949-01, Route 58, 1.561 Miles West of Gloucester County Line - Gloucester County Line, King and Queen County, to the low bidder, E. V. Williams Co., Inc., Norfolk, Virginia, at the bid of \$110,188.51, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$1,068.57 for work by State Forces (not included in contract), making a total of approximately \$122,250.00 chargeable to this project; to be financed with \$81,650.00 State and \$80,600.00 Federal Funds. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Flythe, seconded by Mr. May, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received May 18 for the construction of Project 1945-10, Route 55, 0.285 Mile North of Intersection of Route 556-1.570 Miles North of Intersection of Route 556, Henrico County, to the low bidder, Atlantic Bitulithic Co., Inc., Richmond, Va., at the bid of \$202,125.27, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$979.00 for work by State Forces (not included in contract), making a total of approximately \$223,500.00 chargeable to this project; to be financed with \$112,151.00 State and \$111,169.00 Federal Funds; the additional \$87,896.00 required to be provided from the Richmond District Construction Reserve Fund. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. May, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received May 18 for the construction of Project 1900-15, Route 50, West of Carlyn Springs Road, near Kenmore Junior High School, Arlington County, to the low bidder, Armac Drainage & Metal Products, Inc., Baltimore, Maryland, at the bid of \$11,900.00, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$15,100.00 chargeable to this project, to be provided from the Culpeper District Construction Reserve. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Senator Nelson, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received May 18 for the construction of Project 1863-22-13, Route 220, 10.423 Miles South SCL Rocky Mount-9.515 Miles South SCL Rocky Mount (Bridge and Approach Big Chestnut Creek), Franklin County, to the low bidder, Pioneer Construction Co., Inc., Roanoke, Va., on ALTERNATE BID of \$268,853.08, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$2,448.00 for work by State Forces (not included in contract), making a total of approximately \$295,450.00 chargeable to this project; to be financed with \$148,956.00 State and \$146,494.00 Federal Funds; the additional \$45,878.00 required to be provided for in the 1957-58 allocations. Motion carried.

Moved by Senator Nelson, seconded by Mr. Watkins, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received May 18 for the construction of Project 1819-06, Routes 380 and 15, SCL Keyville-Int. Route 40 in Keyville, Charlotte County, to the low bidder, H. A. Nunn, Virgilina, Va., at the bid of \$53,836.70, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$808.00 for work by State Forces (not included in contract), making a total of approximately \$60,050.00 chargeable to this project; to be financed with \$28,799.00 State and \$27,971.00 Federal Funds and \$5,280.00 from Town of Keyville; the additional \$11,770.00 required to be provided from the Lynchburg District Construction Reserve Funds. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Watkins, seconded by Mr. Barrow, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received May 18 for the construction of Project 1542-13, Route 819, 0.02 miles east of Int. Route 628 (Alexanders Corner)-Int. Route 695 (Westwood), Hanover County, to the low bidder, Bishop & Settle Construction Co., Lawrenceville, Va., at the bid of \$54,845.81, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$68,550.00 chargeable to this project; to be financed with 50/50 State and Federal Funds. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Barrow, seconded by Mr. Flythe, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received May 18 for the construction of Project 1574-15-18, Route 882, Int. Route 501 (S. of Petersburg)-Int. Route 480 (N. of New Bohemia), Prince George County, to the low bidder, John F. Harvey, Lynchburg, Va., at the bid of \$29,752.75, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$50,195.00 for work by the railroad (not included in contract), making a total of approximately \$62,900.00 chargeable to this project; to be financed with \$18,165.00 State and \$41,600.00 Federal funds and \$5,135.00 from the Railroad. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Flythe, seconded by Mr. May, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received May 18 for the construction of Projects 1561-09; 1561-15, Group No. 8, Routes 643 and 613, Int. Route 13 (Smyerton)-Int. Route 616 AND Int. Route 189 (So. of Holland)-Isle of Wight County Line, Hanover County, to the low bidder, W. H. Scott, Franklin, Va., at the bid of \$100,866.80, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$418.99 for work by the railroad, making a total of approximately \$111,400.00 chargeable to this project; to be financed with 50/50 State and Federal Funds. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. May, seconded by Senator Nelson, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received May 18 for the construction of Project 1344-08-10, Route 868, 0.050 Mile South of S. End Bridge over Smith River-0.079 Mile N. of N. End of Bridge over Smith River, Henry County, to the low bidder, Venellie Construction Co., Salem, Va., at the bid of \$98,480.25, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$108,150.00 chargeable to this project; to be financed with 50/50 State and Federal Funds. Motion carried.

Moved by Senator Nelson, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that the Commission confirm REJECTION of all bids received May 18 for the construction of Project 4825-08-09, Route 64, 4.080 Miles N. Russell County Line (Route 64)-2.871 Miles N. Russell County Line (Route 64), Dickenson County, the low bid being 41.0% over estimate, and readvertise. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Watkins, that the Commission confirm REJECTION of all bids received May 18 for the construction of Project 1314-09, Route 806, N. End Bridge over David Creek (Buckingham-Appomattox County Line)-8.055 Miles N. of N. End Bridge over David Creek, Buckingham County, the low bid being 15.0% over estimate, and readvertise. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Watkins, seconded by Mr. Barrow, that the Commission confirm REJECTION of all bids received May 18 for the construction of Project 1589-12-13-15, Route 808, 0.185 mile S. of S. End Bridge over Potomac Creek-0.063 Mile N. of N. End Bridge over Potomac Creek, Stafford County, the low bid being 20.2% over estimate, and readvertise. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Barrow, seconded by Mr. Flythe, that the Commission confirm REJECTION of all bids received May 18 for the construction of Project 1550-15, Route 618, Int. Route 860 (N. of Manquin)-0.815 Mile E. of Int. Route 860, King William County, the low bid being 15.4% over estimate, and readvertise. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Flythe, seconded by Mr. May, that the Commission confirm REJECTION of all bids received May 18 for the construction of Project 1388-14, Route 620, 0.01 Mile N. of S. Int. Route 646 (Coulwood)-Int. Route 615, Russell County, the low bid being 57.9% over estimate, and readvertise. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. May, seconded by Senator Nelson, that the Commission confirm REJECTION of all bids received May 18 for the construction of Project 1568-09, Route 621, Int. Route 202 (Near Hyequith)-N. Terminus Route 621 (Muddy Point), Northumberland County, the low bid being 14.4% over estimate, and readvertise. Motion carried.

Moved by Senator Nelson, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that the Commission confirm REJECTION of all bids received on May 16 for the construction of Project 1586-09, Route 622, Int. Route 694 (N. of Route 11)-North Int. Route 610 (W. of Nebo), Smyth County, the low bid being 22.2% over estimate and readvertise. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Watkins, that the Commission confirm REJECTION of all bids received May 16 for the construction of Project 1586-08, Route 648, 0.147 Mile S. of Int. Route 360 (Lillian)-Int. Route 660, Northumberland County, the low bid being 18.7% over estimate, and readvertise. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Watkins, seconded by Mr. Barrow, that the Commission confirm REJECTION of all bids received May 16 for the construction of Project 1895-08, Route 745, Int. Route 80-0.057 Mile E. Int. Route 750 (W. of Saltville), Washington County, the low bid being 11.0% over estimate, and readvertise. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Barrow, seconded by Mr. Flythe, that no bids having been received on May 16 for Project 5445-02, Route 156, 0.076 Mile E. Int. Route 601 (Darbytown Road)-1.257 Miles E. Int. Route 601 (Darbytown Road), Henrico County, the Commission confirm its action to readvertise the project at a later date. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Flythe, seconded by Mr. May, that no bids having been received on May 16 for Project 4850-05, Route 50, 1.056 Miles W. of WCL West Point-1.488 Miles West of WCL West Point (Port Richmond), King William County, the Commission confirm its action to readvertise the project at a later date. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. May, seconded by Senator Nelson, that no bids having been received on May 16 for Project 1529-07, Route 629, 0.066 Mile S. Int. Route 1 (near Belle Haven)-Int. Route 628 (W. of Snowden), Fairfax County, the Commission confirm its action to readvertise the project at a later date. Motion carried.

Moved by Senator Nelson, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that no bids having been received on May 16 for Project 5757-06, Route 14, 0.057 Mile S. Int. Route 604 (Susan P. O.)-0.142 Mile N. Int. Route 608 (Port Hayward), Mathews County, the Commission confirm its action to readvertise the project at a later date. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Watkins, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received May 16 for the construction of Project 1758-29-30-31, Route 58, 1.156 Miles W. of WCL LaCrosse-0.208 Mile E. of EHL LaCrosse, Mecklenburg County, to the low bidder, Talbott-Marks Co., Inc., Clarksville, Va., at the bid of \$255,860.90, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, \$1,845.00 for work by State Forces, \$1,938.00 for work by Western Union, and \$5,868.00 for Railroad Work, making a total of approximately \$268,900.00 chargeable to this project; to be financed with \$154,281.00 State and \$152,619.00 Federal Funds. Motion carried

Moved by Mr. Barrow, seconded by Mr. Flythe, that the Commission confirm award of contract for the construction of flood gates at the portals of the tunnel under Hampton Roads, to the Tidewater Construction Corporation, Norfolk, Va., at the bid (dated May 8, 1956) of \$110,235.00, to be financed with Revenue Bond Act Funds. Motion carried.

Moved by Senator Nelson, seconded by Mr. Watkins, that the Commission confirm its action by letter ballot to rescind the Commission's resolution of January 5, 1956, relative to the proposed Harrisonburg By-pass. Motion carried.

The Chairman read to the Commission his letter of June 21, 1956, to Messrs. Davis and Mills in regard to next steps on the Harrisonburg By-pass and the Chairman and Senator Nelson were instructed to hold another hearing if they found it was necessary and to report to the Commission.

Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Watkins, that as provided under Article 8.1, Section 53-76.1 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, and upon recommendation of the Commissioner, the following section of Old Route 18 in Alleghany County, being no longer necessary for uses as a highway, it be discontinued as a part of the Primary System: Section 2 shown on plat dated February 20, 1956, Project 5005-08-07-06. That as provided under Article 8.1, Section 55-76.5 of the said Code, as amended, Section 7 shown on plat dated February 20, 1956, be abandoned to the extent of alteration. Further, as provided under Article 2, Section 55-27 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, Sections 1 and 3 be transferred from the Primary to the Secondary System; all as shown on the plat dated February 20, 1956, Project 5005-08-07-06. Motion carried.

Moved by Senator Nelson, seconded by Mr. Watkins, that, whereas, by proper resolutions the various Boards of Supervisors have requested the discontinuance of certain roads in the Secondary System; and whereas the Resident Engineers representing the Commission, did post notices and hold hearings in the respective counties to ascertain whether or not such roads should be discontinued, the proposed discontinuances meeting no valid opposition, now therefore, be it resolved, that the following roads be discontinued as parts of the Secondary System as provided by Section 55-76.7 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended; effective this date.

FRANKLIN COUNTY - Sections of old location of Route 756, Project 1558-14, from Sta. 101,400 east 0.06 Mile and from Sta. 169 / 80 east 0.09 Mile.

PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY - Route 678, from Route 15 east 2.08 Miles to Route 678. Length 0.15 Miles.

SHERMANOAK COUNTY - Route 689, from 0.69 Mile E. of Route 623 to Int. Route 757. Length 2.08 Miles.

Length 1.19 Miles.

Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Watkins, that, WHEREAS, under Authority of Section 55-115.2 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, request is made by the City of Norfolk for payment at the base rate of \$500 per mile annually on additional streets meeting the required standards; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that quarterly payments at the base rate of \$500 Per Mile annually be made to the City of Norfolk on additional streets totaling 3.69 miles, effective beginning the first quarter, July 1, 1956. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Watkins, that, WHEREAS, under authority of Section 55-115.2 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, request is made by the City of Winchester for payment at the base rate of \$500 Per Mile annually on additional streets meeting the required standards; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that quarterly payments at the base rate of \$500 Per Mile annually be made to the City of Winchester on additional streets totaling 1.9197 miles, effective beginning the first quarter, July 1, 1956. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Watkins, that, WHEREAS, under Authority of Section 55-115.2 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, request is made by the City of Fredericksburg for payment at the base rate of \$500 Per Mile annually on additional streets meeting the required standards; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that quarterly payments at the base rate of \$500 Per Mile annually be made to the City of Fredericksburg on additional streets totaling 1.54 miles, effective beginning the first quarter, July 1, 1956. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Flythe, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that, WHEREAS, the Town of Harrows, by action of the Circuit Court of Giles County on April 11, 1956, deannexed a portion of its West Town Limits, NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that 0.26 mile of the extension of Route 649 within the deannexed area be dropped from the mileage on which the Town of Harrows now receives maintenance payments in accordance with Section 55-50.2 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended; effective beginning the fourth quarter, April 1, 1956. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. May, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that, whereas, in or about 1934 a section of road numbered Route 17 in the State Highway System at and in the vicinity of Fincastle, Botetourt County, was altered and a new road, now numbered Route 220, was constructed in lieu of the old road, as shown on plans for Project 797-A, which new road was approved by the State Highway Commissioner; a certain section of the old road just south of Fincastle, about 1.95 miles in length, on the east side of the new location from Station 86,80 to Station 186,75 having been abandoned as a part of the State Highway System by the State Highway Commission at a meeting held on March 20, 1935, pursuant to Section 1, Chapter 212, Act of the General Assembly of Virginia approved March 19, 1926, which section of old road is located on a right of way or easement said to be 60 feet in width; and Whereas, W. H. Woody and Velda C. Woody, husband and wife, now

own the lands along each side of the old road abandoned as aforesaid from Secondary Route 650 east of the new road and running southwesterly to or beyond the intersection of the old and new roads, and also now own a triangular parcel of land containing 0.09 acre, more or less, lying between the old and new roads between Stations 162/00 and 165/50 on the centerline of the new road; and Whereas, under an agreement with the predecessor owner of the said triangular parcel of land, the Department of Highways constructed and is operating a storage bin thereon, and the said W. H. Woody and Velda C. Woody have offered to convey this parcel of land to the Commonwealth for a monetary consideration of \$125.00 and the release and quitclaim by the Commonwealth to them of that part of the old road and right of way said to contain 3.14 acres, more or less, if 60 feet in width, lying between the southwest right of way line of Route 650 and approximately Station 5/74.67 on the centerline of the old road, which is southeast of and 80 feet from Station 162/00 on the centerline of the new road; and Whereas, the new road which was constructed in lieu of the old road serves the same citizens as that part of the old road proposed to be released and quitclaimed to Mr. and Mrs. Woody, and the State Highway Commissioner has certified in writing that this part is deemed no longer necessary for the uses of the State Highway System. Now, Therefore, as provided for by Section 53-76.5 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, that part of the old road and right of way from Route 650 southwesterly approximately 0.5 mile to approximately Station 5/74.67 on the centerline thereof is hereby declared abandoned; and as provided for by Section 53-76.6 of said Code, as amended, the release and quitclaim of any and all right, title and interest of the Commonwealth in and to this abandoned part to the said W. H. and Velda C. Woody for the considerations aforesaid is hereby approved, and the State Highway Commissioner is authorized to execute and release a deed accordingly. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. May, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that, whereas, in connection with Route 560, Project 2328-04-05, in Essex County, the Commonwealth acquired certain lands from Lalla T. Dunton and Raymond E. Dunton, her husband (Ida D. Focobe Estate) as shown on Plan Sheets 3 and 4 by deed dated September 29, 1955, and recorded in the Clerk's Office of said County in Deed Book 91, Page 67, which lands include a triangular residue parcel containing 0.12 acre, more or less, lying on the east side of the project right of way and adjacent to lands of J. L. Blanton, Jr., who, with his wife, conveyed certain lands to the Commonwealth by deed dated July 1, 1955, and recorded in Deed Book 91, Page 4, in said Clerk's Office; and Whereas, the said J. L. Blanton, Jr., has requested that the said residue parcel be conveyed to him for the sum of \$100.00, which is deemed adequate; and the State Highway Commissioner has certified in writing that this parcel does not constitute a section of the public road and is deemed no longer necessary for the uses of the State Highway System. Now, Therefore, as provided for by Section 53-76.6 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, the conveyance of the said residue parcel of land to the said J. L. Blanton, Jr., with special warranty of title, for a consideration of \$100.00 is hereby approved, and the State Highway Commissioner is authorized to execute and release a deed accordingly. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. May, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that, whereas, in or about 1940 a section of Route 84, now Route 480, in Tazewell County, was improved in accordance with plans for Project 261-ARR, and the Commonwealth acquired certain right of way, in places, exceeding a width of 110 feet, as shown on Plan Sheet 9, from W. J. Jones Estate by condemnation proceedings in the Circuit Court of said County recorded in the Clerk's Office thereof in Deed Book 147, Page 184; and in or about 1958 the said section of Route 480, or a part thereof, including a portion in the Town of Richlands, was again improved in accordance with plans for Project 1992-15-70 and on and within the said right of way, which is shown on Sheets 4 and 5 of the latter plans; and whereas, W. W. Thompson is now the owner of certain land in the Town of Richlands which lies along the south side of said right of way and has requested that the Commonwealth release to him the portions of the same which adjoin his said land and lie outside of a 110-foot right of way between Centerline Stations 1020/65 and 1026/50, approximately, which portions contain about 0.16 acre, for which a consideration of \$100.00 is deemed adequate; and whereas, the following is a resolution adopted by the Town Council of Richlands at a meeting held on March 12, 1958:

"Be it resolved that the Town of Richlands agrees and consents that the Highway Department of the Commonwealth of Virginia sell that portion of right-of-way owned by the Commonwealth of Virginia that will no longer be deemed useful to the highway department, which portion of right-of-way is located on the south side of highway #480 near the east corporation limit of the Town of Richlands, adjacent to the premises now owned by W. W. Thompson."

and whereas, the State Highway Commissioner has certified in writing that the said portions of existing right of way containing about 0.16 acre do not constitute sections of the public road and are deemed no longer necessary for the uses of the State Highway System. Now, therefore, as provided for by Section 55-76.6 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, the release and quitclaim of the said portions of existing right of way containing about 0.16 acre to the said W. W. Thompson for a consideration of \$100.00 is hereby approved, and the State Highway Commissioner is authorized to execute and release a deed accordingly. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. May, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that, whereas, the Commonwealth is in possession of certain excess right of way along the north side of Route 244 west of South Birniddle Street, in Arlington County, as shown on Sheets 6 and 7 of plans for Project 1149-A2 and Sheets 10 and 11 of plans for Project 2500-06, which excess right of way is comprised of (1) a portion of the 60-foot right of way of the old Columbia Turnpike and (2) portions of the lands conveyed to the Commonwealth for Project 1149-A2 by (a) Mary Virginia Swanland, (b) Milton E. Payne, et ux, and (c) Ella V. Dwyer, by deeds dated October 24, December 4 and September 7, 1940, and recorded in the Clerk's Office of said County in Deed Books 525, 557 and 528, Pages 452, 375 and 224; a portion of the said 60-foot right of way, including a small area of the land conveyed by the said deed dated October 24, 1940, having been quitclaimed by the Commonwealth to William P. Wyatt by deed dated March 10, 1947, and presumed to be of record in said Clerk's Office, which portion is shown on Sheet 6 of plans for

Project 1148-A2; and Whereas, it is proposed to widen and otherwise improve Route 244 along and in the vicinity of said excess right of way, as shown on Sheets 10 and 11 of plans for Project 2500-08, and the Department of Highways has determined that the right of way required for said improvement on the north side of the centerline to be used is 45 feet in width; and Whereas, Stanley and Maribel E. Rakusin and Arthur P. and Miriam G. Becker own and/or propose to acquire certain property located along the north side of the said existing and excess right of way from South Dinwiddie Street and extending westerly, as shown on Sheets 10 and 11 of plans for Project 2500-08, and it is necessary for the Commonwealth to acquire a small area of said property from South Dinwiddie Street and extending westerly approximately 100 feet, and it is proposed that these parties convey this area to the Commonwealth in consideration of the Commonwealth's quitclaim to them of an equal area of the said excess right of way, and, further, that the Commonwealth quitclaim to them the remaining portion or area of said excess right of way along their property for a consideration of \$1.08 per square foot, which is deemed adequate; and Whereas, the new location of Route 244 along and opposite the said property as altered and constructed under Project 1148-A2 and as will be widened and otherwise improved under Project 2500-08 serves the same citizens as the old road located upon the said 80-foot turnpike right of way and has been approved by the State Highway Commissioner, who has certified in writing that the portion of said old road and right of way within the excess right of way proposed to be quitclaimed is deemed no longer necessary for the uses of the State Highway System and that the remaining portion does not constitute a section of the public road and is also deemed no longer necessary for the uses of the State Highway System. Now, Therefore, as provided for by Section 55-78.5 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, the said portion of old road and right of way is hereby declared abandoned; and as provided for by Section 55-78.6 of said Code, as amended, the release and quitclaim, for the considerations aforesaid, of the said excess right of way to the owner or owners of record of the abutting property is hereby approved, and the State Highway Commissioner is authorized to execute a deed accordingly. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. May, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that, whereas, in connection with former Route 815, now Route 840, in Elkton, Rockingham County, the Commonwealth acquired all of a certain parcel of land as shown on Sheet 9 of plans for Project 740-A from John W. Cash by deed dated April 15, 1952, and recorded in the Clerk's Office of said County in Deed Book 151, Page 584, the major portion of said land being outside of the 70-foot right of way of Route 840; and Whereas, the portion of said land lying outside of the said right of way was duly advertised for sale, and A. B. Torrence submitted the high bid in the sum of \$1152.00, which is deemed adequate; and the State Highway Commissioner has certified in writing that this portion does not constitute a section of the public road and is deemed no longer necessary for the uses of the State Highway System. Now, Therefore, as provided for by Section 55-78.6 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, the conveyance of the portion of the said land lying outside of the said 70-foot right of way designated by a line parallel to and 35 feet from revised centerline, as shown on said Plan Sheet 9, to the said A. B. Torrence, with special warranty of title, for a consideration of \$1152.00 is hereby approved, and the State Highway Commissioner is authorized to execute a deed accordingly. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. May, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that, whereas, in or about 1940 a section of Route 84, now Route 450, in Tasewell County, was improved in accordance with plans for Project 261-AR2, and the Commonwealth acquired certain right of way, in places, exceeding a width of 110 feet, as shown on Plan Sheet 9, from W. J. Jones Estate by condemnation proceedings in the Circuit Court of said County recorded in the Clerk's Office thereof in Deed Book 147, Page 184; and in or about 1958 the said section of Route 450, or a part thereof, including a portion in the Town of Richlands, was again improved in accordance with plans for Project 1892-13-70 and on and within the said right of way, which is shown on Sheets 4 and 5 of the latter plans; and whereas, the width of said right of way on the north side of the survey and plan centerline varies from about 67 feet at Station 1018/26 opposite the west line of a street, which is the east line of property now owned by W. E. Raines, to 65 feet at Station 1020/15 opposite the west line of property now owned by Thurman and Fair Lee Raines, the line between these properties being opposite Station 1019/18; there being about 1004 square feet and about 960 square feet of said right of way lying between the said properties and a line 55 feet from said centerline or the north line of a 110-foot right of way; and whereas, the said parties have requested that the portions of said right of way along their respective properties and outside of said 110-foot right of way be released to them and have offered the sum of 15¢ per square foot for the same, which is deemed adequate; and the State Highway Commissioner has certified in writing that these portions do not constitute sections of the public road and are deemed no longer necessary for the uses of the State Highway System. Now, Therefore, as provided for by Section 53-76.6 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, the release and quitclaim of the said portions of right of way, about 1004 square feet to the said W. E. Raines and about 960 square feet to the said Thurman and Fair Lee Raines, for considerations of \$150.52 and \$124.80, is hereby approved, and the State Highway Commissioner is authorized to execute and release deeds accordingly. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. May, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that, whereas, it is proposed to acquire a certain parcel of land located on Route 616 near Alma, in Page County, for Patrol Headquarters purposes, and the owners thereof, Carroll W. and Minnie M. Short and Clark R. and Virgie B. Short, have offered to convey the same to the Commonwealth in exchange for a conveyance to them of a strip of land adjacent to other land owned by them and lying on the south side of the right of way required for Route 540 and on the west side of the right of way required for Route 650, which strip of land is shown on Sheet 4 of plans for Project 628-AR1 (S269-01-02) and comprises portions of the lands acquired by the Commonwealth as follows: (1) by deed dated August 22, 1950, from J. Russell Jenkins, et al, recorded in Deed Book 95, Page 55; (2) by condemnation proceedings against the said J. Russell Jenkins, et al, in the Circuit Court of said County in or about 1951, and (3) by deed dated July 27, 1949, from Rockingham Poultry Marketing Cooperative, Incorporated, recorded in Deed Book 137, Page 432; a part of the land acquired by the first deed and all of the land acquired by the condemnation proceedings being as shown on Sheet 7 of plans for former Route 815, Project 628-AC, and all of the land acquired by the second deed being as shown on

said Sheet 4; and Whereas, former Route 615, later Route 12, in this vicinity is now Route 340, and a section of the old road, prior to being constructed under Project 628-ARL, was discontinued as a part of the State Highway System at a meeting of this Commission held on February 20, 1951, which section is numbered 5 on sketch of the Location and Design Division dated November 5, 1950, and which is located upon a part of the land acquired from J. Russell Jenkins, et al; and Whereas, the present location of Route 340 serves the same citizens as the old road and has been approved by the State Highway Commissioner, who has certified in writing that Section 5 thereof discontinued is deemed no longer necessary for the uses of the State Highway System and that the portion of the land acquired by the said deed dated July 27, 1949, which lies within the said strip of land proposed to be conveyed does not constitute a section of the public road and is deemed no longer necessary for the uses of the State Highway System. Now, Therefore, as provided for by Section 55-76.5 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, the section of old road discontinued is hereby declared abandoned; and as provided for by Section 55-76.6 of said Code, as amended, the conveyance of the said section of old road and said portion of the land acquired by deed dated July 27, 1949, and no longer necessary, to the said Carroll W. and Minnie M. Short and Clark R. and Virgie B. Short, with special warranty of title, is hereby approved, and the State Highway Commissioner is authorized to execute a deed accordingly - the consideration to be the conveyance to the Commonwealth of the said parcel of land of Route 616. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. May, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that, whereas, in connection with Route 297, project 5915-08, in Campbell County, the Commonwealth acquired all of a certain parcel of land divided as Lots A and B, each with a dwelling thereon, from R. E. and Martha J. Wood by deed dated April 20, 1958, and recorded in the Clerk's Office of said County in Deed Book 275, Page 241; portions of each dwelling being located upon the right of way required for said project as shown on Plan Sheet 13 and which will have to be removed therefrom; and Whereas, the portions of the said Lots A and B lying outside of the said right of way are residual real estate, and the State Highway Commissioner has certified in writing that these portions do not constitute a section of the public road and are deemed no longer necessary for the uses of the State Highway System; and Whereas, the Department of Highways proposes to advertise by suitable means for sealed bids to be received for the sale of the residue portions of said Lots A and B, together with the said dwellings, with a requirement that these dwellings be removed from the said right of way by the successful bidder or bidders, a distance of not less than 76 feet from the centerline of the westbound lane, as shown on said Sheet 13. Now, Therefore, as provided for by Section 55-76.6 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, the conveyance of the said residue portions of Lots A and B, together with the said dwellings, with special warranty of title, and for such consideration or considerations as may be deemed adequate by the State Highway Commissioner, is hereby approved, and the Commissioner is authorized to execute a deed or deeds accordingly; provided, however, that no grantee of the Commonwealth or successor in title shall have any right or claim to damages by reason of the construction and maintenance of the said project in accordance with the plans therefor. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Barrow, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that WHEREAS, the Richmond-Petersburg Turnpike will soon be under construction, through Chesterfield County, and, WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Turnpike Authority to construct a grade separation and interchange at no cost to the Commonwealth where the Turnpike crosses State Route 10, and WHEREAS, the vertical and horizontal alignment of existing State Route 10 is inadequate for the safe and orderly flow of the traffic volumes to be expected after the completion of the turnpike, it is deemed advisable to reconstruct State Route 10 from the intersection of U. S. Route 1 to a point approximately 1.8 miles to the East, now therefore, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Commission authorizes the immediate reconstruction, with necessary relocations, of State Route 10 from the intersection with U. S. Route 1 to a point approximately 1.8 miles to the East, at an estimated cost of \$565,000.00 including right of way and construction, the said cost less any contribution by the S. A. L. Railroad Company to be carried as an authorized deficit to be financed from funds becoming available over a period of two years, using Richmond District Primary funds. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Barrow, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that, the proposed relocation of U. S. Route 250 (Broad Street Road) from a point west of the West Corporate Limit of Richmond near the intersection of Cox Road in Henrico County, to the West Corporate Limit of Richmond near the intersection of Louisa Avenue, a distance of approximately eight (8) miles, including all necessary grade separations, interchanges, ramps etc., be designated as a Limited Access Highway in accordance with Article 5, Chapter 1, Title 58, of the 1950 Code of Virginia, Amended. Motion carried.

Moved by Senator Nelson, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that, the resolution approved by the State Highway Commission at its meeting November 5, 1955, designating a certain section of Route 60 as a Limited Access Highway, be amended to read as follows: "That, the section of Route 60 in Alleghany County from the intersection of Route 42 east of Clifton Forge to the proposed Clifton Forge By-Pass, thence via the Clifton Forge By-Pass to Route 60, thence via Route 60 to the proposed Covington By-Pass east of Covington, a distance of approximately fourteen (14) miles, including all necessary grade separations, interchanges, ramps, etc., be designated as a Limited Access Highway, in accordance with Article 5, Chapter 1, Title 58, of the 1950 Code of Virginia, Amended." Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. May, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that WHEREAS, the Council of the Town of Danascus, by resolution of June 4, 1956 requested a change in the method by which the Secondary System streets are maintained, from the present choice #2 (1948 Act) to choice #1 (1950 Act), and WHEREAS, this resolution declares the Council did not understand the requirement of annual requests for 0.25 mile addition each year under the 1948 Act and has made no request since 1950, and WHEREAS, the Council has proceeded with the improvement of 2.10 miles of streets at a cost to the Town of approximately \$15,000, which would require more than eight years to be accepted for maintenance by the Highway Department, and WHEREAS, the streets so improved meet the requirements of eligibility of the 1950 Act, NOW,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that after careful consideration of the statements in the resolution presented by the Town of Danascus, the Commission does approve the change in the form of maintenance, as recommended by the Engineering Division, in accordance with Section 33-50.4 of the 1950 code of Virginia, as amended, effective July 1, 1958. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Rauls, seconded by Senator Nelson that the Commission adopt as its policy the following:

ROADS IN THE GROUNDS OF STATE INSTITUTIONS

WHEREAS, by virtue of Chapter 265 of the Acts of Assembly of 1932, roads within the grounds of state institutions were included in the primary system of highways; and WHEREAS, Section 33-26 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, authorizes the State Highway Commission to add additional mileage to the primary system each year; and WHEREAS, it becomes desirable that the State Highway Commission express a policy with respect to addition of new roads to the primary system of highways within the grounds of state institutions, now, therefore BE IT RESOLVED: That it is the sense of the State Highway Commission that the following policy shall apply to the addition of new roads to the primary system of highways within the grounds of state institutions, after present commitments have been fulfilled, (1) Within the limitations fixed by law, roads which meet the design standards hereinafter defined and set out will be eligible for inclusion in the primary system. The minimum standards are as follows: (a) The roadway shall be of a width not less than 20' exclusive of ditches. (b) Drainage facilities shall be adequate. (c) The pavement shall consist of stone, gravel or other suitable material not less than five (5) inches in depth, sixteen (16) feet in width, and surface treated its full width with bituminous material or its equivalent. (2) Prior to additions, new roads must be improved by non-highway funds. (3) The Commission, upon request, may provide at cost, engineering services to the state institutions in the location, design and construction of all major roads within the grounds of state institutions. The Commission hereby directs that a copy of this resolution be sent to the administrative heads of all state institutions. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. May, Seconded by Mr. Watkins, that the following policy be adopted, effective July 1, 1956: **POLICY CONCERNING THE PAYMENT TO NON-SUPPORT PRISONERS SENTENCED TO STATE CONVICT ROAD FORCE**

WHEREAS, §20-65 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, provides in part that if a prisoner be sentenced for non-support of his wife or child or children to the State Convict Road Force a sum not less than \$5.00 nor more than \$15.00 for each week in the discretion of the Court shall be paid by the State Highway Commissioner out of the funds provided for the construction and maintenance of the public roads, and WHEREAS, a concentration of non-support prisoner population in convict camps of certain counties has been greater than in convict camps of other counties, which greater concentration has brought about a disproportionate burden on the highway funds of the county in which the concentration has occurred, now, therefore BE IT RESOLVED, that in order to bring about a more equitable distribution of the burden of making payment for non-support prisoners, the State Highway Commission will hereafter allow an additional five cents per hour for all convict labor, which additional amount shall be used for such payment, Motion carried.

The Chairman read to the Commission a telegram of June 21, 1956, from Mr. A. E. Johnson, Executive Secretary, AASHO, regarding the Federal Aid Act of 1956.

In this connection the Chairman called attention to recent requests for improvement of Route 15 on the Eastern Shore and for a high type road from the neighborhood of Harrisonburg via Brown's Gap to the neighborhood of Charlottesville.

The Chairman called attention to the meeting of the Southeastern Association of State Highway Officials to be held at Roanoke, September 8-7, 1956, and the Highway Conference to be held at Lexington, November 15-16, 1956.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:20 A.M. and the Commission proceeded to the John Marshall Hotel for the celebration of the Golden Anniversary of the Department.

Approved


Chairman

Attested


Secretary