

Rappahannock Rapidan Regional Commission
Rural Transportation Technical Committee
August 7, 2013
Minutes

Attendees: John Egertson (Culpeper County), Josh Frederick (Orange County), Denise Harris (Journey Through Hallowed Ground), Debbie Kendall (Town of Gordonsville), Patrick Mauney (RRRC), Dan Painter (VDOT Culpeper District), Chris Pettit (Fauquier County)

Welcome and Introductions, Agenda, Minutes, Matters from the Public

J Egertson called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.

J Egertson welcomed Chris Pettit from Fauquier County and Josh Frederick from Orange County to the committee.

The agenda was approved as presented.

The minutes from the June 5th meeting were approved ayes all following a motion by D Painter and a second by J Egertson.

There were no comments from the public.

Sidewalk Inventory Update

P Mauney provided an initial update for the regional sidewalk inventory project that was included in the Regional Commission's FY' 14 Rural Transportation Work program. Goals of the inventory include the identification of gaps in sidewalk infrastructure for infill during future adjacent road projects and identification areas of focus for sidewalk inclusion in future projects.

Thus far, GIS data has been collected from the towns of Culpeper, Gordonsville, Orange and Warrenton. P Mauney also indicated that he has an old shapefile of unknown origin with sidewalk data for the Town of Madison. He had also discussed the existing sidewalk areas in Rappahannock County with Rappahannock County Administrator John McCarthy and was looking for input on areas to review from the other counties in the region.

J Egertson indicated that the Three Flags, Northridge and Madison Grove subdivisions in Culpeper County have existing sidewalks, though they have not been digitized to his knowledge.

J Frederick listed the following subdivisions in Orange County, again without digital files: Germanna Heights, Somerset Farms, Wilderness Shores, along with the new Wal-Mart and Signature Station projects.

Committee members asked about the amount of data to be collected, specifically referencing sidewalk widths and condition. P Mauney stated that it may be possible to include that data, if previously available, or perhaps within identified focus areas where site visits would make sense within the project scope and outcomes.

Planning Project Updates

Committee members provided updates on local projects.

P Mauney referenced a proposal from Spotsylvania County regarding a connector road from Interstate 95 in Stafford County through eastern Culpeper County and Orange County with a terminus near the Route 20 and Route 3 intersection.

D Kendall indicated that Gordonsville Town Council approved the recent High Street study and will pursue, in coordination with Orange County, adding the roundabout projects to the Six-Year Improvement Program. D Painter stated that VDOT was looking for projects to advance through preliminary engineering, with High Street a good candidate.

D Harris provided updates on a number of Journey Through Hallowed Ground initiatives. The JTHG Wayfinding signage project is advancing with General Assembly funds to be transferred to the project. The *Living Legacy* tree planting effort is advancing in the Northern Virginia district, as well as Gettysburg.

D Painter reminded committee members that changes to transportation elements in local comprehensive plans now require VDOT review and sign off.

Announcements & Other Business

RRRC will host the 2013 Living Towns Planning Workshop on August 22nd in the Town of Orange. AICP Certification Maintenance credits are included and registration is available via the RRRC website.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.