

The Cape Fear Rural Transportation Planning Organization exists to serve as the intergovernmental organization for local elected officials, the North Carolina Department of Transportation, and residents of Brunswick, Columbus and Pender Counties to work cooperatively to address transportation issues.

**Rural Transportation Coordinating Committee (RTCC)
Meeting Minutes
September 7, 2022 • 10:00 AM
Held virtually via Zoom**

Voting Members Present

Helen Bunch, Brunswick County
Jeff Repp, St. James
Mark Bloomer, Boiling Spring
Lakes
Gary Lanier, Columbus County
Robert Lewis, Whiteville
Vanessa Lacer, Pender County
Jessica Gray, Burgaw
Amy Kimes, Surf City
Adrienne Cox, NCDOT Division 3

Bill Hammond, NCDOT Division
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Nazia Sarder, NCDOT TPD
Rachel McIntyre, WMPO
Yvonne Hatcher, BTS
Joy Jacobs, Columbus County
Transit
Stephanie Ayers, NC Ports
Patrick Flanagan, Cape Fear RPO

Others Present

Dylan Bowen, Columbus County
Doug Shipley, Topsail Beach
Cat Peele, NCDOT Ferry
Tony Sumter, NCDOT IMD

Brayton Willis, GGHT
Jane Marston, Bolivia
Laurence Bergman, Wallace

I. INTRODUCTORY BUSINESS

- 1. Call to Order** – The meeting was held via video conference on Zoom. Having reached a quorum, Patrick Flanagan called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM
- 2. Roll Call** – A roll call was taken of attendees.
- 3. Additions or corrections to the agenda** – There were no changes to the agenda.
- 4. Approval of minutes** – The minutes were presented.

Gary Lanier made a motion to approve the minutes with one spelling correction. Helen Bunch seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

*Helen Bunch, Yes
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Gary Lanier, Yes
Robert Lewis, Yes
Vanessa Lacer, Yes
Jessica Gray, Yes
Amy Kimes, Yes*

*Adrienne Cox, Yes
Bill Hammond, Yes
Nazia Sarder, Yes
Rachel McIntyre, Yes
Yvonne Hatcher, Yes
Joy Jacobs, Yes
Stephanie Ayers, Yes
Patrick Flanagan, Yes*

The motion passed.

5. Public Comment – There were no comments from the public.

II. PRESENTATIONS

There were no additional presentations during this meeting.

III. REGULAR BUSINESS

6. DRAFT 2024-2033 STIP – Patrick Flanagan presented the updated draft 2024-2033 STIP. Changes between the updated STIP, and the original draft were highlighted. The group discussed the priority projects for each county.
No action was taken at this time.

7. FY 2022-2023 PWP Amendment – Patrick Flanagan presented the amendment and explained to reasoning behind the change.
Vanessa Lacer made a motion to recommend approval of this amendment to the RTAC. Robert Lewis seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

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Yvonne Hatcher, Yes
Joy Jacobs, Yes
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The motion passed.

8. Reports/Updates

- Cape Fear RPO
 - NC 210 ECG Feasibility Study: Staff gave an update on the survey results and the recent steering committee meeting.
 - Columbus County CTP: Staff gave an update on the public meetings held in August
 - STIP amendments and revisions: One schedule delay was noted.
- NC Ports (Port of Wilmington): Stephanie Ayers gave an update on the RAISE grant award for an intermodal yard at the port.
- NC Ferry (Fort Fisher to Southport): Cat Peele gave an update on the Fort Fisher will be dredging slated for this Fall. Southport dredging was completed earlier this year.
- NCDOT Division 3 (Brunswick & Pender): Adrienne Cox gave an update on Division 3 projects.
- NCDOT Division 6 (Columbus): Bill Hammond gave an update on Division 6 projects. The new report format was highlighted.
- NCDOT Transportation Planning Division (TPD): Nazia Sarder gave an update on the Brunswick County CTP.
- NCDOT Integrated Mobility Division (IMD): Tony Sumter gave an update on the IMD Transit Visioning Workshops. Here is the link:
<https://connect.ncdot.gov/business/Transit/Pages/Transit-Communication-Hub.aspx>
- Wilmington Area MPO (WMPO): The Navassa Collector Street Plan has been adopted. The CMP biennial report is underway. Work is continuing on the Walk Wilmington Plan update. The Pender Co Bike and Pedestrian plan is being scoped right now. The second annual Brunswick Heritage Riverside Ride will be on September 24th. Sign ups are open now.
- Grand Strand MPO (GSATS): There was no update from GSATS.

IV. OTHER

9. Open discussion – There was no further discussion.

10. Adjourn – *The meeting was adjourned at 10:46 AM.*