

# MINUTES OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION MEETING

## February 3, 2025

MINUTES OF THE COMMISSION MEETING OF THE OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, HELD FEBRUARY 3, 2025, IN THE COMMISSION MEETING ROOM OF THE OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, 200 NE 21<sup>ST</sup> STREET, OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73105

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### ITEMS PRESENTED BY COMMISSION VICE-CHAIRMAN

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mr. Peterson called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

The following items were presented and approved as written at the Transportation Commission meeting February 3, 2025.

<b><u>ROLL CALL:</u></b>	<b>Present:</b>	Bob Peterson	Chairman
		David Dyson	Vice-Chairman
		Bob Coburn	Secretary
		Eric Stuteville	Member
		Steve LaForge	Member
		Michael Junk	Member
		TW Shannon	Member
		Bobby Alexander	Member
		Don Freymiller	Member

**Absent:**

**Presiding:** Bob Peterson

Chairman Peterson thanked everyone for coming and recognized former Transportation Commissioner Kent Pharaoh, former Transportation Secretary, Mike Patterson, Bobby Stem with Association of General Contractors (AOGC) and Paul Zachary with the City of Tulsa for their attendance.

## **ITEMS TO BE PRESENTED BY COMMISSION CHAIRMAN**

Call to Order

Roll Call – Commission Secretary

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS**

2024 Pharaoh Award – Presented by Association of General Contractors (AOGC) to District IV, Yukon Residency for the US-281/Route 66 Bridgeport Bridge Project – **Brian Taylor**

## **ITEM TO BE PRESENTED BY THE EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE COMMISSION**

### **14. Approval of the Minutes of the Transportation Commission Meeting of January 6, 2025**

ACTION: Dyson moved and Shannon seconded that the Minutes be approved.

MOTION: Carried by the following vote:

AYES: Coburn, Stuteville, Shannon, Dyson, LaForge, Junk, Peterson

ABSTAIN: Freymiller, Alexander

ABSENT:

## **CONSENT DOCKET TO BE PRESENTED BY COMMISSION CHAIRMAN**

### **15. Speed Zone Revisions – Ms. January**

a) District III, Garvin County – Along SH-19 including the City of Pauls Valley for 0.75 miles

b) District VI, Cimarron County – Along US-56 including the Community of Felt for 30.61 miles

ACTION: Alexander moved and Coburn seconded that the Consent Docket be approved.

MOTION: Carried by the following vote:

AYES: Coburn, Stuteville, Shannon, Freymiller, Dyson, Alexander, LaForge, Junk, Peterson

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

## **END OF CONSENT DOCKET**

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## **ITEMS TO BE PRESENTED BY DIRECTOR OF DESIGN – Mr. Hernandez**

### **16. Programming Item – Bridge Damage**

a) District V, Beckham County - \$250,000.00

b) District VIII, Tulsa County - \$330,000.00

ACTION: LaForge moved and Freymiller seconded that the Item be approved as presented.

MOTION: Carried by the following vote:

AYES: Coburn, Stuteville, Shannon, Freymiller, Dyson, Alexander, LaForge, Junk, Peterson

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

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**17. Engineering Contract**

- a. District II, Marshall & Bryan Counties, Roosevelt Bridge - \$2,000,000.00  
CI-2526 – HNTB

ODOT will hire an Owner's Representative (OR) to provide specialized experience and resources to deliver the US-70 over Lake Texoma (Roosevelt) bridge. The OR will act as an extension of ODOT staff, assisting in preparation of project specific materials and construction requirements that will allow for an innovative and competitive design-build procurement process. ODOT will utilize the OR through the life cycle of the project to assist in contract negotiations, risk management and construction support.

ACTION: Stuteville moved and Dyson seconded that the Item be approved as presented.

MOTION: Carried by the following vote:

AYES: Coburn, Stuteville, Shannon, Freymiller, Dyson, Alexander, Laforge, Junk, Peterson

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

**18. Engineering Contracts**

- a) Statewide – On-Demand Community Engagement - \$1,250,000.00  
CI-2512A – Freese and Nichols, Inc.  
CI-2512B – Garver, LLC  
CI-2512C – HNTB Corporation  
CI-2512D – Stantec Consulting Services, Inc.  
CI-2512E – White Hawk Engineering & Design
- b) Statewide – On-Demand State Bridge Rehabilitation - \$3,500,000.00  
CI-2513A – Aguirre & Fields, LP  
CI-2513B – Halff Associates, Inc.  
CI-2513C – MacArthur Associated Consultants, LLC  
CI-2513D – MKEC Engineering  
CI-2513E – Poe & Associates, Inc.  
CI-2513F – Walter P. Moore & Associates Inc  
CI-2513G – WSB Inc.
- c) Statewide – On-Demand Engineering Services for Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Improvements – \$3,000,000.00  
CI-2515A – AtkinsRealis USA Inc  
CI-2515B – Cowan Group Engineering LLC  
CI-2515C – Halff Associates, Inc.  
CI-2515D – Hudson Prince Engineering & Inspection PLLC  
CI-2515E – Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.  
CI-2515F – Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, Inc



- d) Statewide – On-Demand On-System Bridge Inspection Services - \$2,400,000.00

CI-2518A – Burgess & Niple, Inc.

CI-2518B – CEC Corporation

CI-2518C – Consor Engineers, LLC

CI-2518D – Garver, LLC

CI-2518E – Guy Engineering Services, Inc.

CI-2518F – Srinteg Corporation

- e) District IV, Canadian County – Preliminary Engineering Studies - \$2,212,515.00

CI-2492, CP&Y, Inc.

- f) District VII, Caddo County – Prepare Construction Plans - \$1,238,236.00

CI-2507D, Grossman and Keith Engineering Company

- g) District VIII, Tulsa County – Preliminary Engineering Studies - \$1,903,710.00

CI-2498, Garver, LLC

ACTION: Stuteville moved and Dyson seconded that the Item be approved as presented.

MOTION: Carried by the following vote:

AYES: Coburn, Stuteville, Shannon, Freymiller, Dyson, Alexander, Laforge, Junk, Peterson

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

#### **ITEMS TO BE PRESENTED BY DIRECTOR OF DESIGN – Mr. Hernandez**

#### **6. Engineering Contract Supplements**

- a) All Districts, Statewide – On-Demand Grant Writing and Coordination – Supplement 1 – \$1,500,000.00

CI-2475A - CP&Y, Inc. DBA STV Infrastructure

CI-2475B - Garver, LLC

CI-2475C - High Street Consulting Group, LLC

CI-2475D - HNTB Corporation

CI-2475E - Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc.

CI-2475F - Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc

- b) District I, Wagoner County – Supplement 1 – Final construction plans for SH-51 – \$943,000.00

CI-2144 – Craig & Keithline, Inc.

- c) District VII, Craig County – Supplement 2 – Final construction plans for US-60 – \$2,838,000.00

CI-2385B – Smith Roberts Baldischwiler, LLC

ACTION: LaForge moved and Freymiller seconded that the Item be approved as presented.

MOTION: Carried by the following vote:

AYES: Coburn, Stuteville, Shannon, Freymiller, Dyson, Alexander, Laforge, Junk, Peterson

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

**ITEMS TO BE PRESENTED BY CONSTRUCTION DIVISION ENGINEER - Mr. Leonard**

**19. Change Orders with Cumulative Total of \$150,000.00 or Less - Information Only**

- a) Canadian County - County Road - STP-209D(099)CI / 31208(04), #1, \$39,450.25, 9.98%
  - b) Carter County - SH-199 - STP-210B(099)PM / 32707(04), #1, \$54,387.21, 1.79%
  - c) Choctaw County - County Road - SAP-014N(151)ES / 36926(04), #1, \$1,974.60, 1.39%
  - d) Coal County - SH-3 - NHPP-017N(291)3P / 34346(04), #4, \$3,000.00, 0.14%
  - e) Custer County - County Road - CIRB-220D(018)RB / 30265(04), #1, \$7,500.00, 0.91%
  - f) Garvin County - SH-59B - SBR-225C(114)SB / 35593(04), #4, \$34,410.00, 2.73%
  - g) Latimer County - US-270 / SH-2 - STP-239B(042)AD / 34364(04), #2, \$35,918.91, 5.93%
  - h) Major County - County Road - STP-247C(029)CI / 32832(04), #5, \$7,129.62, 0.35%
  - i) Mayes County - County Road - STP-249C(079)CI / 28555(04), #7, \$3,177.30, 0.12%
  - j) Muskogee County - US-64 - STP-251C(137)PM / 28987(04), #2, \$99,977.60, 1.89%
  - k) Muskogee County - US-62 - SBR-251N(142)SB / 34377(04), #5, \$78,215.90, 1.99%
  - l) Okfuskee County - US-62 / SH-56 - STP-254C(057)AD / 33813(04), #3, \$14,560.36, 1.82%
  - m) Oklahoma County - Turnpike - SSP-255F(549)IT / 35386(04), #3, \$38,104.00, 2.66%
  - n) Pittsburg County - Waterway Trail - TAP-261E(093)TP / 32989(04), #3, \$22,209.55, 2.14%
  - o) Pontotoc County - SH-99 - STP-162B(207)SS / 23286(10), #3, \$4,151.09, 0.07%
  - p) Pottawatomie County - County Road - STP-263D(099)CI / 34467(04), #3, \$5,366.90, 0.56%
  - q) Roger Mills County - County Road - CIRB-265C(028)RB / 30074(04), #2, \$6,271.28, 0.15%
  - r) Seminole County - US-270 - STP-267B(103)PM / 31870(04), #6, \$25,232.24, 0.55%
  - s) Seminole County - SH-99 - NHPP-012N(115)PM / 35656(04), #2, \$9,673.00, 0.74%
  - t) Woods County - County Road - CIRB-276C(063)RB / 30492(08), #3, \$495.00, 0.01%
  - u) Woods County - City Streets - TAP-276D(037)TP / 33003(04), #6, \$55,971.66, 4.35%
  - v) Woodward County - US-183 - SSP-277F(064)PM / 26975(11), #1, \$30.38, 0.03%
  - w) Woodward County - County Road - CIRB-277C(053)RB / 28460(04), #3, \$12,493.16, 0.17%
- Total of Less Than Change Orders: \$559,700.01**

**20. Change Orders with Cumulative Total Greater than \$150,000.00 - Mr. Leonard**

- a) Custer County - SH-54 - STP-120C(127)PM / 24145(04), #8, \$689,150.90, 4.57%
  - b) Custer County - SH-54 - STP-120C(127)PM / 24145(04), #9, \$36,326.23, 0.24%
  - c) Custer County - SH-54 - STP-120C(127)PM / 24145(04), #10, \$54,917.29, 0.36%
  - d) McClain County - I-35 - NHPPI-3500-(154)FP/NHPPI / 19314(04), #15, \$17,284.32, 0.02%
  - e) McClain County - I-35 - NHPPI-3500-(154)FP/NHPPI / 19314(04), #16, \$11,790.00, 0.01%
  - f) McCurtain County - US-70 - NHPP-022N(102)SS/NHPP-0 / 18859(04), #10, \$1,199,999.70, 5.16%
  - g) McIntosh County - US-266 - STP-246C(048)PM / 29724(04), #4, \$149,960.15, 3.10%
  - h) Muskogee County - US-62 - NHPP-251N(117)PM/SBR-251 / 30416(04), #6, \$149,968.56, 0.20%
  - i) Oklahoma County - I-35 - NHPPI-0035-3(125)121 / 09032(05), #12, \$23,406.07, -0.03%  
Underrun
  - j) Oklahoma County - I-35 - NHPPI-3500-(132)FP / 29844(04), #19, \$17,920.00, 0.03%
  - k) Pontotoc County - SH-99 - STP-162B(150)PM / 23286(04), #4, \$356,063.82, 2.86%
  - l) Pontotoc County - SH-1 - NHPP-262N(061)PM / 28946(04), #15, \$17,064.04, -0.19% Underrun
  - m) Rogers County - County Road - ERSTP-266C(112)CI / 33602(06), #2, \$912,852.48, 4.10%
  - n) Tulsa County - I-244 - NHPPI-2440(049)(034)FP/NH / 26301(05), #8, \$537,286.53, 1.02%
  - o) Tulsa County - I-244 - NHPPI-2440-(052)PM / 32706(04), #2, \$28,947.14, 0.53%
  - p) Tulsa County - US-64 - NHPP-272N(356)PM / 33343(04), #5, \$529,129.69, 4.08%
- Total of Greater Than Change Orders: \$4,651,126.70**

ACTION: Junk moved and Shannon seconded that the Item be approved as presented.

MOTION: Carried by the following vote:

AYES: Coburn, Stuteville, Shannon, Freymiller, Dyson, Alexander, LaForge, Junk, Peterson

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:



**ITEM TO BE PRESENTED BY LOCAL GOVERNMENT DIVISION – Mr. Mitchell**

**21. Municipal Road Drilling Activity Fund FY25**

Requesting funding approval to repair or replace damaged roadways due to increased oilfield activities for 16.96 miles of municipal roadways.

ACTION: Dyson moved and Coburn seconded that the Item be approved as presented.

MOTION: Carried by the following vote:

AYES: Coburn, Stuteville, Shannon, Freymiller, Dyson, Alexander, LaForge, Junk, Peterson

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

**ITEM TO BE PRESENTED BY DIRECTOR OF FINANCIAL SERVICES – Ms. Williams**

**22. Damages to State Property Settlement**

District IV, Oklahoma County – Requesting settlement approval for damage to state property.

ACTION: Junk moved and Dyson seconded that the Item be approved as presented.

MOTION: Carried by the following vote:

AYES: Coburn, Stuteville, Shannon, Freymiller, Dyson, Alexander, LaForge, Junk, Peterson

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

**ITEM TO BE PRESENTED BY FINANCIAL SERVICES – Ms. Bryant**

**23. Proposed Bid Openings**

a) Final March 2025 Proposed Bid Opening

b) Tentative April 2025 Proposed Bid Opening

c) Tentative May 2025 Proposed Bid Opening

ACTION: Coburn moved and Alexander seconded that the Item be approved as presented.

MOTION: Carried by the following vote:

AYES: Coburn, Stuteville, Shannon, Freymiller, Dyson, Alexander, LaForge, Junk, Peterson

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

**ITEMS TO BE PRESENTED BY THE OFFICE ENGINEER – Mr. Ngoka**

**24. Awards**

a) January 9, 2025 – Regular Bid Opening

b) January 16, 2025 – Regular Bid Opening

ACTION: Shannon moved and Dyson seconded that the Item be approved as presented.

MOTION: Carried by the following vote:

AYES: Coburn, Stuteville, Shannon, Freymiller, Dyson, Alexander, LaForge, Junk, Peterson

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

## **ITEM TO BE PRESENTED BY THE DIRECTOR – Mr. Gatz**

### **25. Director's Report – Information Only**

Director Gatz began his report by thanking the Commission for their approval on the Owner's Representative contract for US-70 with the Lake Texoma Roosevelt Bridge. HNTB will assist the Department in using the alternative delivery method and is looking towards late 2026, early 2027 for the project to begin.

The February letting was contingent up until Friday, January 31<sup>st</sup>, when the Department received the deposit of federal funding from the Continuing Resolution that enabled the February award recommendations. Gatz stated the Continuing Resolution is separate from the President's executive orders and in the future, USDOT is evaluating all of the grant programs. The Department has fortunately been the recipient of several federal grants that will come to bear on projects, Roosevelt Bridge being one of those. However, the Department is confident that our priorities align with the National Infrastructure goals. ODOT is confident the appropriations process will allow revenue access to continue to let projects.

Sean Duffy has been confirmed as our new USDOT Secretary. He was sworn in on January the 28th as the 20th Secretary of USDOT. Duffy served as Congressman from Wisconsin Seventh District in the US Congress for 10 years, serving as the House Financial Services Committee Member and actively leading on local transportation issues via his co-chairmanship of the Great Lakes Task Force.

Prior to serving in Congress, Duffy was a district attorney of Ashland County in Wisconsin for 10 years. ODOT is looking forward to and is excited to work with Secretary Duffy in his new role, and hopefully we'll have the opportunity to make his acquaintance in the not too distant future. As of yet, we are not aware of who's going to lead Federal Highway Administration, but we expect those nominations will be forthcoming also.

#### **Project Updates:**

##### **District IV, Oklahoma County, I-44**

- Project start date: February 3, 2025
- Bridge Rehabilitation on I-40 bridges over I-44
- Traffic Impact: construction equipment entering and exiting zones, 7am-6pm, Monday through Friday in first month of construction. Gatz advises traveling public to locate alternative route or expect delays
  - March 2025, I-40 will narrow overnights between 8pm-6am, Monday through Friday mornings
- Tentatively expected to complete by early Fall 2025
- Total I40/I-44 interchange reconstruction tentatively in 8 Year Construction Work Plan 3031

##### **District VII, Caddo County, US-281/Route 66 Bridgeport Bridge**

- Tower Bridge officially reopened to traffic Monday, January 13<sup>th</sup>
- The \$3 million bridge replacement project was awarded in July 2024
- Contractor earned the maximum early completion bonus by completing just over 30 days early despite cold weather, a snow event and the holiday seasons
- An additional piece of the iconic Route 66 completed ahead of the centennial celebrations that kick off in 2026

#### Upcoming Projects:

##### District IV, Logan & Payne Counties, SH-33

- Ongoing project between Langson in Logan County and US-177 in Payne County to add four bridges and prepare earth work for additional two lanes
- Anticipated to begin late spring/early summer and complete in mid 2027
- The two projects will complete the widening of the corridor between Perkins and Guthrie and will provide a second, four-lane alternate route to and from Stillwater and will also improve safety, visibility and site distance

##### District III & VII, Garvin & Murray Counties

- The \$16 million grading project will resurface more than 7 miles of I-35 from US-77 in Davis, Murray County to Wynnewood, Garvin County
- Expected start is late Spring and will last approximately 4 months in duration
- All work with lane closures will be performed at night
- Construction to begin February/March 2025 and estimated completion late spring 2026
- Airport traffic will be affected

##### District I, Wagoner County, US-69

- Rehabilitate or resurface more than 5.5 miles of US-69 between Muskogee & Wagoner includes rehab work on both bridges over MKARNS
- Construction is expected to begin in April or May and last about a year
- Traffic will be one lane each way during construction

Director Gatz ended with a plea to the traveling public to put away distractions, buckle up and to observe the posted speed limits on the highway system and especially in construction work zones. Gatz recognized an effort from Bobby Stem with Association of General Contractors (AOGC) is organizing, "The Cone Zone" and thanked him for his efforts in keeping the public aware and safe in construction work zones.

No Commission action required



**ITEM TO BE PRESENTED BY COMMISSION CHAIRMAN**

**26. Adjournment Motion**

ACTION: Dyson moved and Coburn seconded that the Item be approved as presented.  
MOTION: Carried by the following vote:  
AYES: Coburn, Stuteville, Shannon, Freymiller, Dyson, Alexander, LaForge, Junk, Peterson  
ABSTAIN:  
ABSENT:

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Bob Peterson - Chairman



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David Dyson – Vice Chairman

