

MINUTES OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION MEETING

March 3, 2025

MINUTES OF THE COMMISSION MEETING OF THE OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, HELD MARCH 3, 2025, IN THE COMMISSION MEETING ROOM OF THE OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, 200 NE 21ST STREET, OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73105

Notice of the schedule of regular meetings of the Oklahoma Department of Transportation for the calendar year 2025 having been given in writing to the Oklahoma Secretary of State, and public notice and agenda having been posted in a prominent public view on the website of the Oklahoma Department of Transportation, www.ok.gov/odot, and on the glass doors on the north side of the ODOT Building twenty-four (24) hours prior to this meeting, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays, in accordance with Oklahoma Open Meeting Act, 25 O.S. Section 311.

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 March 3, 2025.

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

Absent:	TW Shannon	Member
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Presiding: Bob Peterson

Chairman Peterson thanked everyone for coming and recognized Paul Zachary with the City of Tulsa, Viplav Reddy with Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Richard Brierre with Indian Nations Council of Governments (INCOG) and former Secretary of Transportation, Mike Patterson for their attendance.

ITEMS TO BE PRESENTED BY COMMISSION CHAIRMAN

Call to Order

Roll Call – Commission Secretary

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

Recognition of Commissioner LaForge, District VII – Mr. Gatz

A moment of silence was held for District VII Commissioner, Steve LaForge

Division IV Engineer Announcement, Matthew Mitchell – Mr. Davis

Recognition of Trenton January – Mr. Davis

ITEM TO BE PRESENTED BY THE EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE COMMISSION

27. Approval of the Minutes of the Transportation Commission Meeting of February 3, 2025

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

MOTION: Carried by the following vote:

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

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: Shannon

CONSENT DOCKET TO BE PRESENTED BY COMMISSION CHAIRMAN

28. Speed Zone Revisions – Ms. January

- a) District IV, Payne County – Along SH-108 including the Town of Ripley for 9.07 miles
- b) District VI, Major County – Along SH-58 including the Town of Ringwood for 9.76 miles
- c) District VI, Major County – Along SH-58 for 4.98 miles
- d) District VI, Woodward County – Along SH-34 including the Town of Sharon for 16.39 miles

29. Land Sales – Mr. Phillips

- a) District I, Adair County – \$5,278.00

30. State Highway System Revision – Mr. Coldiron

District IV, Logan County – US-77 & SH-51

31. Modification of Federal Railroad Crossing Safety Funds, 23 USC § 130 – Mr. Schwennesen

- a) District I, Muskogee County – Union Pacific - \$77,700.13
- b) District V, Custer County – Farmrail Corporation - \$36,876.00
- c) District VIII, Muskogee County – Union Pacific - \$162,128.10

32. Programming of Federal Railroad Crossing Safety Funds, 23 USC § 130 – Mr. Schwennesen

- a) District VIII, Creek County – Tulsa-Sapulpa Union Railway Company - \$385,139.00
- b) District VIII, Creek County – Stillwater Central Railroad - \$2,344,862.00
- c) District VIII, Tulsa County – Sand Springs Railroad - \$1,107,732.55

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

MOTION: Carried by the following vote:

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

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: Shannon

END OF CONSENT DOCKET

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

33. Engineering Contracts

- a) All Districts – Statewide – On-Demand Traffic Engineering – \$3,000,000.00
 - CI-2514A – Burgess and Niple, Inc.
 - CI-2514B – Freese and Nichols, Inc.
 - CI-2514C – Garver LLC
 - CI-2514D – Kimley-Horn and Associates Inc.
 - CI-2514E – Lee Engineering, LLC
 - CI-2514F – Walter P. Moore and Associates Inc.
- b) All Districts – Statewide – On-Demand Overload Permit Studies – \$500,000.00
 - CI-2530 – Grossman and Keith Engineering Co.
- c) District V, Beckham County – Prepare Construction Plans - \$1,500,000.00.
 - CI-2525, CONSOR Engineers, LLC
- b) District VIII, Ottawa County – Prepare Construction Plans - \$1,713,675.00
 - CI-2509B, C. H. Guernsey
- c) District VIII, Ottawa County – Prepare Construction Plans - \$943,750.00
 - CI-2509C, Cowan Group Engineering, LLC

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

MOTION: Carried by the following vote:

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

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: Shannon

34. Engineering Contract Supplements

- a) All Districts – Statewide – On-Demand Ancillary Structure Safety Inspections – Supplement 1 – \$1,500,000.00
 - CI-2471A – Burgess & Niple, Inc.
 - CI-2471B – CONSOR Engineers,

- b) District VI, Woodward County, Prepare Construction Plans - \$23,900.00
CI-2147, Supplement 1, Smith Roberts Baldischwiler
- ACTION: Coburn moved and Freymiller seconded that the Item be approved as presented.
MOTION: Carried by the following vote:
AYES: Coburn, Stuteville, Freymiller, Dyson, Alexander, Junk, Peterson
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT: Shannon

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

35. Change Orders with Cumulative Total of \$150,000 or Less - Information Only

- a) Adair County - County Road - STP-201C(059)CI / 33963(04), #4, \$481.58, -0.04% Underrun
 - b) Atoka County - SH-7 - STP-103C(091)PM / 24066(04), #1, \$79,365.00, 0.68%
 - c) Beckham County - SH-6 - NHPP-205N(111)PM / TAP-205N(084)(124)TP / 34258(04), #1
\$44,516.85, 0.39%
 - d) Beckham County - SH-6 - NHPP-205N(111)PM / TAP-205N(084)(124)TP / 34258(04), #2,
\$11,169.00, 0.10%
 - e) Canadian County - County Road - STP-209D(099)CI / 31208(04), #2, \$13,680.84, 3.46%
 - f) Cleveland County - SH-37 / City Street - NHPPI-4400-(132)(133)FP / 35017(04), #3,
\$64,877.50, 3.31%
 - g) Comanche County - City Street - STP-116B(059)MS / 19144(04), #4, \$47,212.81, 0.35%
 - h) Comanche County - US-62 - NHPP-020N(058)PM / 34249(04), #1, \$219.54, -0.01% Underrun
 - i) Comanche County - I-44 - SBR-4400(128)SB / 36289(04), #2, \$25,010.00, -4.17% Underrun
 - j) Craig County - County Road - CIRB-218C(108)RB / 28530(04), #1, \$13,442.62, 0.37%
 - k) Garvin County - SH-145 - STP-255C(120)PM / 33846(04), #2, \$6,043.40, 0.11%
 - l) Garvin County - SH-59B - SBR-225C(114)SB / 35593(04), #5, \$1,309.76, 0.10%
 - m) Lincoln County - SH-66 - STP-241C(103)(104)PM / 35643(04), #1, \$29,075.50, 0.71%
 - n) Mayes County - County Road - STP-249C(079)CI / 28555(04), #8, \$0.02, 0.00% Underrun
 - o) McIntosh County - US-69 - SBR-013N(238)SB / 36336(04), #1, \$1,080.00, 0.45%
 - p) Muskogee County - US-69 - SSP-251N(112)PM / 27081(04), #2, \$1.32, 0.00% Underrun
 - q) Oklahoma County - City Street - STP-255D(479)AG / 33124(04), #4, \$13,610.00, 0.50%
 - r) Oklahoma County - City Streets - STPG-255F(546)(547)AG / 34173(04), #4,
\$26,233.05, 2.50%
 - s) Oklahoma County - City Street - NHPP-255N(604)PM / 36349(04), #6, \$38,093.45, 1.68%
 - t) Osage County - County Road - STP-257C(100)CI / 30546(04), #1, \$2,933.34, 0.19%
 - u) Osage County - County Road - CIRB-257D(098)RB / 34578(04), #4, \$49,746.04, 4.17%
 - v) Pawnee County - SH-18 - STP-259B(066)PM / 29692(04), #5, \$42.53, 0.00% Underrun
 - w) Payne County - I-35 - STP-260F(101)3B / 38471(04), #1, \$14,620.00, 1.65%
 - x) Payne County - I-35 - STP-260F(101)3B / 38471(04), #2, \$28,240.00, 3.19%
 - y) Pittsburg County - US-69 - SSP-264F(105)PM / 23144(19), #1, \$37,947.30, 7.18%
 - z) Pontotoc County - SH-3 - NHPP-017N(302)(303)3P / 35102(04), #2, \$30,800.00, 0.93%
 - aa) Pontotoc County - Cleet Facility - OAP-262E(085) / 36456(04), #4, \$29,525.97, 0.83%
 - bb) Pushmataha County - County Road - STP-264D(104)CI / 31213(04), #1, \$10,553.28, 1.40%
 - cc) Tulsa County - City Street - STP-272B(405)IG / 35721(04), #1, \$7,400.00, 1.10%
 - dd) Washington County - US-75 - SBR-014N(140)SB / 34313(04), #1, \$28,458.25, 2.63%
- Total of Less Than Change Orders: \$603,118.30**

36. Change Orders with Cumulative Total Greater than \$150,000 - Mr. Leonard

- a) Caddo County - US-281 - SSP-208B(120)PM / 33887(07), #2, \$300,000.00, 8.89%
- b) Canadian County - US-281 - STP-109B(154)PM / 26360(04), #14, \$97,261.88, 0.29%
- c) Carter County - SH-53A - STP-210C(102)PM / 31037(04), #1, \$200,000.00, 10.11%
- d) Custer County - County Road - CIRB-220B(084)RB / 28708(04), #4, \$32,000.00, 0.42%
- e) Garvin County - US-77 - STP-225C(085)PM / 29544(04), #6, \$7,719.00, 0.15%
- f) Hughes County - US-75 - SBR-232B(074)SB / 35608(04), #4, \$5,938.21, 0.47%
- g) McCurtain County - US-70 - NHPP-022N(102)SS / NHPP-022N(225)PM / 18859(04), #11, \$119,017.84, 0.51%
- h) McCurtain County - US-70 - NHPP-022N(242)PM / 35574(04), #4, \$10,925.98, 0.51%
- i) McCurtain County - US-70 - NHPP-022N(242)PM / 35574(04), #5, \$100,000.00, 4.69%
- j) Muskogee County - US-62 - NHPP-251N(117)PM / SBR-251B(121)SB / 30416(04), #7, \$315,471.60, 0.42%
- k) Noble County - I-40 - STP-252F(103)PM / 31023(05), #5, \$27,564.64, 1.74%
- l) Oklahoma County - I-44 - NHPPI-4400-(108)PM / 09033(28), #6, \$268,217.12, 1.23%
- m) Oklahoma County - City Streets - STP-255C(583)(584)(585)(586)(587)(588)(589)AG / 34161(04), #7, \$551,971.73, 6.42%
- n) Pontotoc County - SH-19 - STP-162B(187)SS / 21841(07), #9, \$3,610.04, 0.02%
- o) Rogers County - SH-20 - STP-266B(081)PM / 27031(04), #12, \$872,919.05, 1.98%
- p) Seminole County - US-270 - STP-167B(122)PM / 21006(07), #13, \$23,284.80, 0.20%
- q) Seminole County - US-270 - STP-267B(103)PM / 31870(04), #7, \$265,807.52, 5.78%
- r) Seminole County - SH-59 - STP-267C(099)(100)PM / 35661(04), #6, \$69,394.83, 2.46%
- s) Washita County - SH-152 - STP-175C(093)PM / 24352(10), #5, \$216,340.94, 2.28%
- t) Washita County - SH-152 - STP-175C(093)PM / 24352(10), #6, \$66,171.27, 0.70%

Total of Greater Than Change Orders: \$3,553,616.45

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

ITEM TO BE PRESENTED BY DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS – Mr. Davis

37. Claim for Additional Payment

- a. District I, Wagoner County – Frontier Bridge, Inc. - \$3,912,494.34
- b. District VIII, Rogers County – Becco Contractors, Inc. - \$1,414,615.00

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

ITEM TO BE PRESENTED BY FINANCIAL SERVICES – Ms. Bryant

38. Proposed Bid Openings

- a) Final April 2025 Proposed Bid Opening
- b) Tentative May 2025 Proposed Bid Opening
- c) Tentative June 2025 Proposed Bid Opening

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

ITEM TO BE PRESENTED BY THE GENERAL COUNSEL – Ms. Penn

39. Election of Officers

Pursuant to the Department of Transportation's administrative rules, OAC 730:1-3-1, the Commission shall conduct an election of officers for the Commission at the first regular meeting after the 15th of March each odd-numbered year. At the April 2025 meeting, Commissioners will self-nominate, or may nominate another Commissioner, for any of the three positions: Chairman, Vice-Chair or Secretary.

Information Only; No Commission action required.

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

40. Awards

- a) January 16, 2025 – Regular Bid Opening
- b) February 13, 2025 – Regular Bid Opening
- c) February 20, 2025 – Regular Bid Opening

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

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 recognition of the challenges of the railroad industry, and gave his appreciation to Shawn Davis, Director of Operations and his team for their efforts in communicating with the railroads.

Gatz touched base on the federal funding, and reiterated that the Department's Bid Opening lists are very tentative at the moment, simply because the Continuing Resolution conditions expire on March 14, 2025. However, if full funding is appropriated, it will carry ODOT through the end of September 2025.

Director Gatz introduced the Commission to the new 2025 and 2026 state maps, and the Route 66 state maps. He continued by updating the Commission of the Route 66 Centennial celebration that will be held in 2026. ODOT worked closely with Tourism, Department of Commerce and the Oklahoma Route 66 Association to put together the commemorative map.

The 2024/2025 winter season was mild, but we had very significant storms throughout the state. ODOT's field districts used approximately 824,000 gallons of brine, in which Commissioner Alexander for District IV acknowledged the brine has been extremely effective when treated in advance of any type of frost or freezing event. 34,000 tons of salt and sand mix was used throughout the state and 89,000 man hours were used to battle the road conditions. The materials used in this winter season cost the Department approximately 4.4 million. The winter weather is particularly hard on the equipment, ODOT had as many as 80 trucks statewide that were serviced for a multitude of different reasons. The winter weather has an affect on the infrastructure as ODOT is responsible for 33,000 lane miles of traffic strip and with winter weather conditions, the plow blades have an affect on those, including the work zone striping, which causes the field districts to re-apply the temporary striping. To meet ODOT standards, reapplication of the permanent striping needs to occur every two years. The Department is aware of the striping issues, however the winter weather challenges the priorities.

Gatz informed the Commission on the anatomy of a pothole, when water enters the pavement, freezes then thaws, the water is absorbed resulting in a cavity under the pavement. With the winter storm damages, and the approved projects, ODOT has an extremely busy spring ahead. The infrastructure investments will need to be strategic in regard to the Continuing Resolution.

Project Updates:

District VII, Comanche County, I-44 and Gore Boulevard

- Pedestrian Bridge
- \$2.5 million contract
- Partnership between ODOT and City of Lawton for a transportation alternatives program project
- Construction started in July 2024 and completed January 2025

Chairman Peterson enquired on the winter weather expenditures and if ODOT experienced an increase or decrease. Director Gatz explained the increase in expenses with the man hours and materials and that it was not a constant battle, but the winter storms Oklahoma had, were extreme and very demanding on the Department.

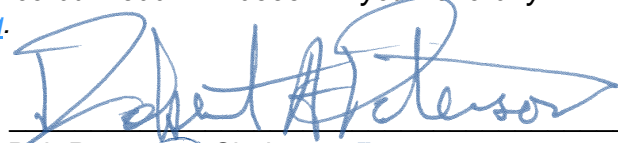
Commissioner Alexander thanked ODOT and the field districts for their work to pre-treat the roads and expressed how much the brine helps the conditions.

ITEM TO BE PRESENTED BY COMMISSION CHAIRMAN


42. Adjournment Motion

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

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Bob Peterson - Chairman



David Dyson – Vice Chairman