

MINUTES OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION MEETING

May 5, 2025

MINUTES OF THE COMMISSION MEETING OF THE OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, HELD MAY 5, 2025, IN THE COMMISSION MEETING ROOM OF THE OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, 200 NE 21ST 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 May 5, 2025.

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

Absent:

Presiding: Bob Peterson

Chairman Peterson thanked everyone for coming and recognized Paul Zachary with the City of Tulsa, 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

New Commissioner Announcement, Commissioner Lisa Billy – Tim Gatz

National Recognition for Keep America Beautiful Partnership – Tim Gatz

ITEM TO BE PRESENTED BY THE EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE COMMISSION

61. Approval of the Minutes of the Transportation Commission Meeting of April 7, 2025

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

MOTION: Carried by the following vote:

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

ABSTAIN: Billy

ABSENT:

CONSENT DOCKET TO BE PRESENTED BY COMMISSION CHAIRMAN

62. Land Sales – Mr. Phillips

District VIII, Rogers County - \$18,510.00

63. Certification of County Road Mileage – Mr. Coldiron

Statewide – All Districts – 69 Okla. Stat. § 316, requires the Transportation Commission annually certify to the Tax Commission the county road mileage of each county in Oklahoma as it existed on the first day of January each year.

64. Interstate Designation of I-343 to Muskogee Turnpike – Mr. Coldiron

Districts I & VIII, Muskogee & Tulsa Counties

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

a) District V, Beckham County – Farmrail Corporation - \$25,986.17

b) District V, Blaine County – Grainbelt Corporation - \$17,550.00

c) District V, Washita County – Grainbelt Corporation - \$19,481.39

ACTION: Coburn moved and Stuteville seconded that the Consent Docket be approved as presented.

MOTION: Carried by the following vote:

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

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

END OF CONSENT DOCKET

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

66. Engineering Contracts

- a) All Districts – Statewide – On-Demand Land Surveying – \$15,000,000.00
CI-2529A – Bancroft Design, Inc.
CI-2529B – Carroll Surveying and Mapping LLC
CI-2529C – CEC Corporation
CI-2529D – Frontier Land Surveying, LLC
CI-2529E – Heartland Surveying & Mapping, PLLC
CI-2529F – Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, Inc.
CI-2529G – Sky Survey, LLC
CI-2529H – Smith Roberts Baldischwiler, LLC
CI-2529J – Universal Surveying and Mapping LLC
CI-2529K – White Hawk Engineering and Design, LLC

ACTION: Coburn moved and Freymiller seconded that the Item be approved.

MOTION: Carried by the following vote:

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

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

67. Engineering Contract Supplements

- a) District II, McCurtain County, Prepare Construction Plans – Supplement 5 - \$2,000,000.00
CI-2342A Freese and Nichols, Inc.
- b) District IV, Kingfisher County, Prepare Construction Plans – Supplement 1 - \$19,500.00
CI-2422A Cowan Group Engineering LLC
- c) District IV, Oklahoma County, Prepare Construction Plans -Supplement 3 - \$259,701.00
CI-2117 HNTB Corporation
- d) District VIII, Delaware County, Prepare Construction Plans – Supplement 1 - \$31,869.00
CI-2490G Half Associates, Inc.

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

MOTION: Carried by the following vote:

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

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

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

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

- a) District V, Beckham County, SH-34
Contract ID: 220339 – CO #1, 0.05% - \$8,293.15
- b) District IV, Canadian County, SH-4
Contract ID: 240183 – CO #3, 0.01% - \$2,615.00

- c) District IV, Canadian County, SH-4
Contract ID: 240183 – CO #2, (1.86%) Underrun – (\$363,046.53)
 - d) District III, Cleveland County, Multiple Locations
Contract ID: 240092 – CO #2, 0.23% - \$4,183.63
 - e) District III, Coal County, City Street
Contract ID: 240157 – CO #2, 5.77% - \$25,483.68
 - f) District III, Coal County, City Street
Contract ID: 240157 – CO #3, 3.61% - \$15,939.88
 - g) District VII, Grady County, SH-19
Contract ID: 240078 – CO #1, 2.69% - \$8,008.92
 - h) District III, Hughes County, County Road
Contract ID: 210208 – CO #9, 0.30% - \$19,597.53
 - i) District VII, Jefferson County, US-70
Contract ID: 240271 – CO #1, 0.59% - \$7,271.00
 - j) District II, Leflore County, US-59
Contract ID: 240040 – CO #1, 2.67% - \$41,368.00
 - k) District III, Lincoln County, County Road
Contract ID: 240100 – CO #2, 8.54% - \$96,673.15
 - l) District VII, Love County, I-35 / SH-153
Contract ID: 240127 – CO #1, 0.00% - \$1,663.20
 - m) District IV, Oklahoma County, City Street
Contract ID: 240062 – CO #2, 0.43% - \$17,105.00
 - n) District VIII, Pawnee County, SH-18
Contract ID: 220372 – CO #6, 0.13% - \$6,358.68
 - o) District IV, Payne County, Multiple Locations
Contract ID: 240222 – CO #3, 0.42% - \$3,700.00
 - p) District IV, Payne County, Multiple Locations
Contract ID: 240222 – CO #4, 0.03% - \$2,650.00
 - q) District III, Pontotoc County, County Road
Contract ID: 230352 – CO #2, 5.22% - \$81,567.36
 - r) District VIII, Rogers County, I-44
Contract ID: 240166 – CO #1, 0.04% - \$16,500.00
 - s) District I, Wagoner County, SH-51
Contract ID: 210096 – CO #1, 3.36% - \$83,163.49
 - t) District VIII, Washington County - 240210 - Multiple Locations - #1 - \$17,325.00 – 1.72%
Contract ID: 240210 – CO #1, 1.72% - \$17,325.00
 - u) District VI, Woodward County - 230321 - County Road - #4 - \$15,455.00 - 0.21%
Contract ID: 230321 – CO #4, 0.21% - \$15,455.00
- Total of Less Than Change Orders: \$111,875.13**

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

- a) District II, Atoka County, SH-7
Contract ID: 240155 – CO #2, 1.60% - \$187,935.75
- b) District VII, Caddo County, US-281
Contract ID: 240024 – CO #1, 3.67% - \$156,000.00

- c) District I, Cherokee County, SH-10
Contract ID: 230123 – CO #3, 41.44% - \$3,209,070.75
- d) District V, Custer County, SH-54
Contract ID: 220367 – CO #11, 1.53% - \$230,965.58
- e) District V, Custer County, US-183
Contract ID: 230070 – CO #8, 0.02% - \$2,018.50
- f) District VII, Grady County, SH-19
Contract ID: 220122 – CO #9, (0.00%) Underrun – (\$99.08)
- g) District VII, Grady County, County Road
Contract ID: 210017 – CO #11, (1.79%) Underrun – (\$36,996.60)
- h) District III, Lincoln County, SH-99
Contract ID: 230298 – CO #1, 4.47% - \$195,449.28
- i) District III, Okfuskee County, US-75
Contract ID: 210299 – CO #8, 0.25% - \$27,829.07
- j) District IV, Oklahoma County, SH-66
Contract ID: 220373 – CO #13, 0.19% - \$59,990.86
- k) District IV, Oklahoma County, I-40
Contract ID: 240205 – CO #2, 8.13% - \$990,239.10
- l) District IV, Oklahoma County, I-35
Contract ID: 220228 – CO #22, 0.02% - \$ 14,275.87
- m) District IV, Payne County, SH-51
Contract ID: 210148 – CO #4, 0.86% - \$91,917.28
- n) District IV, Payne County, I-35
Contract ID: 240106 – CO #4, 1.32% - \$44,544.00
- o) District IV, Payne County, I-35
Contract ID: 240106 – CO #5, 1.09% - \$36,900.00
- p) District VIII, Rogers County, SH-20 / TNPK / CO RD
Contract ID: 220107 – CO #9, 0.00% - \$2,304.34
- q) District VIII, Rogers County, SH-66
Contract ID: 230286 – CO #3, 0.03% - \$3,525.13
- r) District VIII, Rogers County, I-44
Contract ID: 240166 – CO #2, 4.67% - \$1,976,054.43
- s) District III, Seminole County, US-270
Contract ID: 220268 – CO #8, 0.07% - \$37,433.61
- t) District III, Seminole County, US-270
Contract ID: 230213 – CO #8, (0.06%) Underrun – (\$2,885.35)
- u) District III, Seminole County, US-270
Contract ID: 230213 – CO #9, 0.07% - \$3,219.70
- v) District I, Sequoyah County, SH-101
Contract ID: 230138 – CO #3, 10.98% - \$394,590.62
- w) District V, Washita County, SH-152
Contract ID: 230194 – CO #7, 0.00% - \$0.00

Total of Greater Than Change Orders: \$7,624,282.84

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

ITEM TO BE PRESENTED BY GENERAL COUNSEL – Ms. Penn

70. Damage to State Property Settlement

- a) District III, Seminole County - \$25,000.00
- b) District IV, Oklahoma County - \$25,000.00

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

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

71. Emergency Declaration for Bridge Repair

District II, Bryan County (Roosevelt Bridge) – Information Only

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

72. Assignment of Certain Contracts for Highway Construction – J&R Constructors Group, LLC

District VI, Cimarron County - \$6,159,920.25

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

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

73. Change Order Exceeding Statutory Limits

District I, Cherokee County - \$2,554,649.86

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

ITEM TO BE PRESENTED BY FINANCIAL SERVICES – Ms. Bryant

74. Proposed Bid Openings

- a) Final June 2025 Proposed Bid Opening
- b) Tentative July 2025 Proposed Bid Opening
- Tentative August 2025 Proposed Bid Opening

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

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

75. Awards

- a) April 10, 2025 – Regular Bid Opening
- b) April 17, 2025 – Regular Bid Opening

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

ITEM TO BE PRESENTED BY THE DIRECTOR – Mr. Gatz

76. Director's Report – Information Only

Director Tim Gatz began by commending ODOT crews for their dedicated service during recent flooding events across the state. He recognized the sacrifices made by maintenance personnel, often working through nights and weekends to manage emergency road closures and ensure public safety. He strongly emphasized the importance of public awareness regarding flood dangers, urging drivers to heed the warning "Turn Around, Don't Drown," especially with more rainfall anticipated.

Director Gatz provided an update on federal funding. He confirmed that recent deposits from the Continuing Resolution were received, which would enable the Department to maintain a more consistent schedule for project lettings through the end of the federal fiscal year. He expressed gratitude for this development and credited Letha Bryant and John Ngoka for managing the letting lists and contract awards accordingly.

Gatz recapped the successful emergency repair of the Roosevelt Bridge, thanking Built Right Construction for their rapid response and effective work in resolving the issue with the bridge's expansion joint.

Concerns regarding the future of the Heartland Flyer train service were addressed, highlighting it as a vital transportation mode and a long-standing partnership between Oklahoma and Texas. With the Texas Legislature still undecided on its funding share, he cautioned that service could be suspended as early as June 2025 if no resolution is reached. He noted the importance of the service, which carried 82,000 passengers in 2024, and expressed optimism that Texas would resolve the issue.

He reported on recent milestones including the April 23rd groundbreaking for the \$252 million I-44/US-75 interchange project in Tulsa, facilitated by \$95 million in federal grants. He praised Manhattan Construction and highlighted the collaboration with Senator Lankford, city officials, and the Tulsa County delegation. He also celebrated the ribbon cutting for the long-anticipated SH-20 realignment in Claremore, a partnership project with ODOT, Oklahoma Turnpike Authority (OTA) and the County Commissioner. The project improves safety and regional connectivity between Owasso and Claremore by bypassing the problematic Keetonville Hill area and adding grade separation at the railroad crossing.

Director Gatz outlined several key projects: a \$16 million project on US-59 in Sallisaw, set to begin in fall 2025 to add shoulders and replace a deficient bridge over Hog Creek; and a \$20 million project on SH-7 in Duncan, beginning this fall and completing by fall 2026, to construct a grade-separated interchange at Elk Avenue to improve safety at a high-crash location. He also acknowledged the successful weekend closure and progress at the I-35/I-44 interchange in Oklahoma City, thanking Matt Mitchell, Rick Howland and Manhattan Road and Bridge for executing the work efficiently and minimizing public disruption. The project is expected to be completed by the end of 2025.

Gatz reminded the Commission that May is Motorcycle Safety Month and emphasized that the traveling public should be mindful of motorcycles. He acknowledged the OHP Safe Riders Course that is scheduled for May 10 in Oklahoma City, and mentioned a future session for ODOT and OTA employees is being planned for the fall.

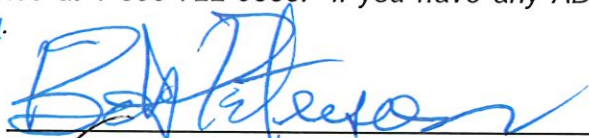
He also recognized National Bike Month, noting May 8th as Bike to School Day and May 16th as Bike to Work Day, during which ODOT employees would participate in a ride from the Central Office to Bicentennial Park. He used the occasion to remind the public to be alert for bicyclists, particularly on the Route 66 Bike Route as Oklahoma prepares for the Route 66 Centennial.

ITEM TO BE PRESENTED BY COMMISSION CHAIRMAN

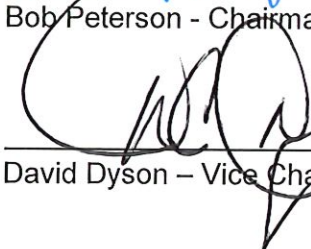
60. Adjournment Motion

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

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Bob Peterson - Chairman



David Dyson – Vice Chairman

