

MINUTES OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION MEETING

June 3, 2024

MINUTES OF THE COMMISSION MEETING OF THE OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, HELD JUNE 3, 2024, 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 2024 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 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 June 3, 2024.

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

Chairman Peterson thanked everyone for coming and recognized Bobby Stem, Executive Director of Association of General Contractors.

ITEMS TO BE PRESENTED BY COMMISSION CHAIRMAN

Call to Order

Roll Call – Commission Secretary

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

Office Engineer Announcement, John Ngoka – **Shawn Davis**

Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Demetrice Carter – **Chelley Himes**

Recognition of ODOT receiving Keep America Beautiful Partnership – **Mr. Gatz**

Presentation of 2023 Safety Awards including the Governor’s Safety Excellence, the Progressive Excellence, and the Director’s Safety Excellence Awards – **Mr. Mikles**

Directors Safety Excellence Award:

- District I – Checotah Interstate Maintenance Unit
- District II – LeFlore County
- District III – Wewoka Residency
- District IV – Enid Residency
- District V – Area-Wide Traffic Crew
- District VI – Woodward County
- District VII – Love County
- District VIII – Ottawa County Maintenance Crew
- Central Office – Business Services Branch

Progressive Excellence Award:

- District II

Governor’s Safety Excellence Award:

- District III

ITEM TO BE PRESENTED BY THE SECRETARY TO THE COMMISSION

73. Approval of the Minutes of the Transportation Commission Meeting of May 6, 2024

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

CONSENT DOCKET TO BE PRESENTED BY COMMISSION CHAIRMAN

74. Speed Zone Revisions – Ms. January

- a) District II – Atoka County – Along US-75 including the City of Atoka for 4.36 miles
- b) District II – Atoka County – Along SH-3 Bypass including the City of Atoka for 1.33 miles
- c) District II – Atoka County – Along SH-7 including the City of Atoka for 16.07 miles
- d) District III – McClain County – Along SH-76 including the City of Newcastle for 5.00 miles

75. Land Sales – Mr. Phillips

- a) District IV – Oklahoma County – \$34,001.00
- b) District VIII – Rogers County - \$6,000.00

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

MOTION: Carried by the following vote:
 AYES: Coburn, Grimsley, Freymiller, Dyson, Alexander, LaForge, Peterson
 ABSTAIN:
 ABSENT: Shannon, Junk

END OF CONSENT DOCKET

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

76. Programming Item – Vehicle Impact Damage Repair – Combined Cost \$550,000.00

- a) District IV – Kay County
- b) District VII – Comanche County
- c) District VIII – Tulsa County

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

MOTION: Carried by the following vote:

AYES: Coburn, Grimsley, Freymiller, Dyson, Alexander, LaForge, Peterson

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: Shannon, Junk

77. Engineering Contracts

- a. District III – Lincoln County – Prepare construction plans for SH-18
 CI-2464B EST, Inc. \$1,770,165.00

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

MOTION: Carried by the following vote:

AYES: Coburn, Grimsley, Freymiller, Dyson, Alexander, LaForge, Peterson

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: Shannon, Junk

78. Engineering Contract Supplements

- a) All Districts – Statewide – Supplement 3 for On-Demand Preliminary Engineering, Site Plans & Inspection for Railroad Crossings
 CI-2331 JWebb & Associates, LLC \$500,000.00

- b) All Districts – Statewide – Supplement 1 for On-Demand Environmental Studies

- CI-2397A Hudson Prince Engineering & Inspection, PLLC
- CI-2397B Environmental Research Group, LLC
- CI-2397C C.H. Guernsey & Company
- CI-2397D CC Environmental, LLC
- CI-2397E CP&Y, Inc. dba STV Infrastructure
- CI-2397F Garver, LLC
- CI-2397G Olsson, Inc.
- CI-2397H Stantec Consulting Services, Inc.

Total of eight (8) contracts not to exceed \$1,600,000.00

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| c) | District I – Wagoner County – Supplement 1 for final construction plans for SH-51
CI-2220A Meshek & Associates, LLC | \$20,100.00 |
| d) | District I & II – Haskell & LeFlore Counties – Supplement 8 for final construction plans for US-271
EC-1360B Guy Engineering Services, Inc. | \$34,750.00 |
| e) | District V – Harmon County – Supplement 1 for final construction plans for SH-30
CI-2386E Professional Engineering Consultants, P.A. | \$54,155.00 |

Public Access to total contracts by Consultant, type: Oklahoma.gov/odot, under Business Center or click: [8-Year CWP Contract Totals by Consultant SFY 2017-Present](#)

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

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

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

- a) Beckham County - I-40 - NHPPI-4000-(185)FP / 29526(11), \$2,475.00, 0.15%
 - b) Canadian County - US-81 - NHPP-209N(090)FP / 31807(04), \$5,739.20, 0.06%
 - c) Cherokee County - County Road - STP-111C(130)CI / 27722(04), \$25.75, -0.00% Underrun
 - d) Choctaw County - SH-109 - STP-212C(064)PM / 27982(07), \$73,953.70, 1.49%
 - e) Cimarron County - SH-325 - STP-213C(035)3P / 35152(04), \$101,529.45, 1.96%
 - f) Coal County - County Road - STP-215D(055)CI / 34443(04), \$15,878.20, 0.41%
 - g) Comanche County - I-44 - SSP-216F(114)PM / 29438(08), \$38,212.50, 1.53%
 - h) Cotton County - County Road - STP-217D(052)CI / 29377(04), \$35,370.02, 2.57%
 - i) Custer County - US-183 - NHPPI-4000-(184)PM / 31696(04), \$5,284.00, 0.06%
 - j) Ellis County - SH-15 - NHPP-223N(014)FP / 29674(04), \$5,052.16, 0.05%
 - k) Garfield County - County Road - CIRB-224D(015)RB / 29876(04), \$2,750.00, 0.26%
 - l) Garfield County - US-64 - SSR-224N(093)SR / 34360(04), \$3,154.25, 0.08%
 - m) Grady County - US-277 - STP-126C(088)PM / 20962(04), \$7,525.43, 0.05%
 - n) Haskell County - County Road - CIRB-231C(050)RB / 31283(04), \$7.81, -0.00% Underrun
 - o) Major County - County Road - STP-247C(029)CI / 32832(04), \$77,411.56, 3.79%
 - p) Noble County - US-64 - SSR-252N(104)SR / 36494(04), \$13,100.00, -0.61% Underrun
 - q) Oklahoma County - SH-66 - STP-155C(610)(712)PM / 24356(04), \$554.40, 0.00%
 - r) Osage County - SH-20 - STP-257C(074)PM / 27084(04), \$20,223.68, 0.15%
 - s) Osage County - US-60 - SBR-257N(087)SB / 33936(04), \$10,101.94, 0.65%
 - t) Pawnee County - County Road - STP-259C(076)CI / 30588(04), \$7,590.00, 0.79%
 - u) Pottawatomie County - SH-39 - STP-263B(085)PM / 24240(10), \$31,316.57, 0.35%
 - v) Tulsa County - US-169 - NHPP-272N(291)PM / 27073(04), \$109,101.86, 0.80%
 - w) Tulsa County - I-244 - NHPPI-2440-(052)PM / 32706(04), \$20,235.00, 0.37%
 - x) Wagoner County - US-64 - STP-273F(100)3B / 36269(04), \$3.00, -0.00% Underrun
 - y) Washita County - SH-152 - STP-175C(093)PM / 24352(10), \$55,637.19, 0.59%
- Total of Change Orders: \$615,959.55

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

- a) Ellis County - SH-15 - NHPP-223N(011) / 24223(04), \$3,200.05, 0.04%
 - b) Garvin County - I-35 - NHPPI-3500-(134)PM / 30390(04), \$79,533.74, 0.26%
 - c) Hughes County - County Road - CIRB-232D(066)RB / 32975(04), \$35,799.95, 0.80%
 - d) Johnston County - SH-22 - STP-235C(038)PM / 31841(04), \$26,060.53, 0.39%
 - e) Kay County - I-35 - NHPPI-3500-(072)PM / 24432(14), \$370,033.22, 3.82%
 - f) Kay County - US-177 - STP-236C(070)AD / 32954(04), \$77,656.00, 3.99%
 - g) Marshall County - SH-32 - STP-248C(035)PM / 28006(07), \$300,000.00, 4.04%
 - h) McClain County - I-35 - NHPPI-3500-(154)(162)FP / 19314(04), #6, \$3,200.00, 0.00%
 - i) McClain County - I-35 - NHPPI-3500-(154)(162)FP / 19314(04), #7, \$28,217.55, 0.03%
 - j) McClain County - I-35 - NHPPI-3500-(154)(162)FP / 19314(04), #8, \$106,237.50, 0.13%
 - k) McClain County - County Road - STP-244C(076)CI / 33483(04), \$129,401.46, 2.58%
 - l) Noble County - I-35 - STP-252F(099)PM / 24237(09), #2, \$18,465.00, 2.79%
 - m) Noble County - I-35 - STP-252F(102)PM / 35655(04), #1, \$186,840.00, 9.23%
 - n) Okfuskee County - County Road - CIRB-254C(051)RB / 30087(04), \$30,501.67, 0.55%
 - o) Oklahoma County - I-35 - NHPPI-0035-3(125)121 / 09032(05), \$54,315.30, 0.08%
 - p) Oklahoma County - I-40 - NHPPI-4000-(126)(156)PM / 28992(04), \$816,575.01, 0.52%
 - q) Oklahoma County - I-35 - NHPPI-3500-(132)FP / 29844(04), \$20,419.26, 0.03%
 - r) Oklahoma County - I-44 - STP-252F(088)PM / 35154(04), \$7,323.92, 0.17%
 - s) Osage County - SH-20 - STP-157C(122)PM / 24268(04), \$186,436.68, 1.10%
 - t) Payne County - SH-51 - STP-260B(074)PM / 27104(04), \$158,150.95, 1.91%
 - u) Pontotoc County - SH-1 - NHPP-262N(061)PM / 28946(04), \$1,560.08, -0.02% Underrun
 - v) Tulsa County - SH-97 - STP-172B(461)PM / 26505(04), \$175,798.23, 0.66%
 - w) Tulsa County - US-169 - NHPP-272N(291)PM / 27073(04), \$226,827.40, 1.66%
- Total of Change Orders: \$3,039,433.34

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

ITEM TO BE PRESENTED BY GENERAL COUNSEL – Ms. Wheeler

81. Industrial Access Program

- a) District III – Lincoln County – NTE \$1,100,000.00

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

ITEM TO BE PRESENTED BY GENERAL COUNSEL – Ms. Wheeler

82. Lake Access Program

- a) District I – Haskell County – NTE \$600,000.00
- b) District I – Sequoyah County – NTE \$258,000.00

- c) District II – Bryan County – NTE \$520,000.00
- d) District II – McCurtain County – NTE \$592,000.00
- e) District III – Hughes County – NTE \$180,000.00
- f) District III – McClain County – NTE \$190,000.00
- g) District IV – Logan County – NTE \$650,000.00
- h) District IV – Payne County – NTE \$781,000.00
- i) District V – Roger Mills County – NTE \$84,000.00
- j) District VII – Caddo County – NTE \$366,000.00
- k) District VII – Stephens County – NTE \$184,000.00
- l) District VIII – Craig County – NTE \$300,000.00
- m) District VIII – Creek County – NTE \$255,000.00

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

ITEM TO BE PRESENTED BY CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER – Ms. Hilmes

83. Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Work Program

The Department is required to submit a Budget Work Program to the Office of Management and Enterprise Services in June of each year which will provide budget authority for the upcoming fiscal year. In keeping with that process, the Department is submitting for Commission approval the Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Work Program in the amount of \$2,549,262,519.00.

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

ITEM TO BE PRESENTED BY FINANCIAL SERVICES – Ms. Bryant

84. Proposed Bid Openings

- a) Final July, 2024 Proposed Bid Opening
- b) Tentative August, 2024 Proposed Bid Opening
- c) Tentative September, 2024 Proposed Bid Opening

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

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

85. Awards

- a) May 9, 2024 – Regular Bid Opening
- b) May 16, 2024 – Regular Bid Opening

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

ITEM TO BE PRESENTED BY THE DIRECTOR – Mr. Gatz

86. Director's Report – Information Only

Director Tim Gatz began his report by thanking ODOT team that composed the Fiscal Year 2025 Budget and also the Commission for their consideration and approval on the budget. The legislative leadership worked through an arduous process and produced a budget that recognized the continuing needs of the transportation system.

Gatz acknowledged Amtrak's 25th anniversary of the Heartland Flyer and informed the Commission of a year-long celebration that will begin Friday, June 14th with some giveaways and Amtrak's Sightseer Lounge Car for passengers. Amtrak officials will be in town to join the Department in the celebration later this month.

The Route 66 Bridgeport Bridge ribbon cutting in June, reopened US-281 and was very well attended. Director Gatz was joined by ODOT's Chief Engineer, Brian Taylor, Commissioner Freymiller and Lieutenant Governor, Matt Pinnell, along with approximately one thousand members of the public. The event was recognized as the first of the Route 66 centennial events in Oklahoma, which will be in 2026. Gatz thanked District IV for their willingness to undertake this project, and ODOT's bridge division for the design foresight, the consultant partners, and the contractors. Scott Sundermeyer, a member of the cultural resources group put a tremendous amount of effort into bringing all the parties together to balance the historic integrity of the truss bridge and, also able to carry a legally loaded semi truck.

Director Gatz began his project updates with the \$40 million, I-35 widening project at Thackerville in Love County. The reconstruction up to SH-153 interchange will extend beyond mile marker 5. Gatz expressed the importance of exploring ways to invest in adding capacity as the Texas and Dallas Fort Worth area continue to grow, and I-35 is appropriately described as a megalopolis on the I-35 corridor.

Another project in District VI in Cimarron County will address the entire US-56 corridor by adding shoulders between Boise City and the Oklahoma, New Mexico state line. Funding for this project will derive from last year's \$200 million on-time Rural Economic Transportation Reliability and Optimization (RETRO) dollars to assist in delivering the project on an accelerated schedule. Construction is expected to begin in the fall of 2024 and will last approximately one year in duration. Gatz also stated the project will also add curbs and sidewalks to a section in Boise City that connects with the previously completed ODOT project in that area.

Director Gatz continued the project updates with the northbound I-35 and bridge rehabilitation at I-40 and thanked the traveling public for their patience on the southbound portion of the project. Gatz advised the traveling public to allow plenty of travel time, put away distractions, pay attention, and always, buckle up as this significant construction work zone will cause periodic backups and delays. The contractor is working under an early completion incentive and the Department is optimistic that the project will be completed towards the first of July.

Director Gatz concluded his report with ODOT's monthly safety campaign, Secure Your Load. The national campaign takes place every June to remind and encourage travelers to ensure their haul is secure, whether it be the bed of a pickup truck or a semi-truck. Nationally, in 2019, there were 739 deaths and nearly 90,000 crashes caused by road debris, safety outside the vehicle is just as important as inside the vehicle. Drivers can decrease their chances of being involved in a road debris collision by securing vehicle loads and maintaining their vehicle, including trailers and driving defensively. Gatz included the importance of buckling seatbelts, as this increases the chances of walking away from a crash caused by debris.

Commissioner Alexander commended ODOT staff for the safety program, and added his appreciation of the seriousness around the topic.

Commissioner Freymiller expressed his appreciation in the Route 66 Bridgeport event, and was impressed with the turnout and congratulated everyone involved in the planning of that event.


No Commission action required

ITEM TO BE PRESENTED BY COMMISSION CHAIRMAN

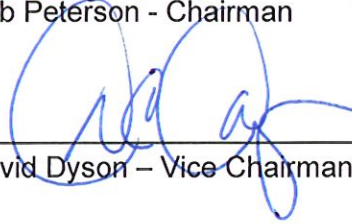
87. Adjournment Motion

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

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Bob Peterson - Chairman



David Dyson - Vice Chairman

