



STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
TURNPIKE AUTHORITY

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DAVID W. JOYNER  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

**Board of Directors**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
Thursday July 7, 2011

Members present: Gene Conti, Chairman  
Perry Safran  
Robb Teer

Members present via phone: Anthony Fox  
Bob Clay  
Al Swanstrom

Members absent: James Ferebee  
John Collett  
David Redwine

Also present: David Joyner, Executive Director

Secretary Gene Conti called the meeting to order at 1:00pm. Secretary Conti read the Ethics Statement and declared there was a quorum present.

Robb Teer moved approval of the May 5, 2011, minutes. The motion was seconded by Perry Safran, and the minutes were approved unanimously.

David Joyner gave a brief description of State longevity pay. Perry Safran moved that the Board approve the addition of a section in the Authority's bylaws stating that Turnpike Authority employees are eligible to receive longevity pay. Robb Teer seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

Beau Memory gave a legislative update. He stated that the budget includes gap funding changes. The Garden Parkway gap funds allocated for FY 2010-2011 and FY 2011-2012 were moved to the Urban Loop Fund. However, 17.5 million will be restored for FY 2012-2013 and the full \$35 million will be restored in FY 2013-2014. Mid-Currituck Bridge gap funds for FY 2009-2010 and FY 2010-2011 were reallocated to the General Fund to purchase new school busses, but the gap funds are restored in FY 2011-2012.

Scott Slusser gave an update on the Monroe Connector/Bypass. He stated that he expects the judge to make a decision on the lawsuit in late August or early September.

Steve DeWitt gave an update on the schedule for the Monroe Connector/Bypass based on the presumed timeline of the judge's decision. (See attached schedule.)

David Joyner discussed the Mid-Currituck Bridge concession agreement. He gave a brief update of the project status. Mr. Joyner stated that the Preliminary FEIS has been submitted to FHWA for comments. Mr. Joyner noted that the initial term sheet has been submitted to Authority and it is about 60 pages. He discussed the schedule moving forward and stated that the financial close is scheduled for July 2012.

Barry Mickle discussed the development of a tolling system for the state ferries. He gave a brief description of the existing tolled ferry routes and the potential tolled ferry routes. He stated that the Customer Service Center will begin taking reservations from the ferry routes that are now tolled, and the Authority is looking at expanding the cash option. He stated that there is a lot of work to be done in expanding the Authority's system to include the ferries. There is a Traffic & Revenue Study underway and it is expected by the end of July.

Steve DeWitt discussed the Triangle Expressway Cost-to-Complete report. Expenditures are currently tracking about \$58 million under the original budget estimate.

Jason Peterson gave a presentation on the construction progress of the Triangle Expressway. The Triangle Parkway is 65% complete with \$90 million paid out. Mr. Peterson stated that 6 of the 7 bridges are complete. The target date for the open-road tolling sites to be turned over to Operations for the complete testing of the tolling equipment is September 2, 2011. Jason showed aerial photos of the project and discussed the closing of a section of T.W. Alexander Drive. The schedule for the Triangle Parkway is tracking about 4 to 6 weeks ahead of schedule but there are other factors to be considered. The Western Wake Freeway is 62% complete with \$278 million paid out. There are nine bridges complete and 15 of the remaining 25 bridges are under construction. Mr. Peterson showed aerial photos of the project. In an effort to keep the public updated, Jason Peterson has created a Twitter account to provide updated schedule information.

Andy Lelewski gave a presentation on the Toll Collection System progress. He stated that the roadside site acceptance is showing that the toll technology is working. The end to end testing will happen in August where the transactions will be sent to the Back Office for processing. On September 7, the Customer Service Center is scheduled to open to the public. Andy gave an update on each of the tolling sites, and stated toll sites 6.1 and 6.4 are complete.

Barry Mickle provided an interoperability update. He stated that E-ZPass has indicated that they will sign an interoperability agreement with NC. SunPass has also expressed interest in interoperability with NC and E-ZPass. The only hold back is that E-ZPass is currently looking at new technology. ATI has released an RFP for the interoperability HUB. There were 11 bidders; a decision should be reached by December 2011.

David Joyner discussed interstate enforcement. He stated that there has been some legislation developed that is very general and will allow state-to-state agreements. Mr. Joyner stated that the agreements are very complex. Florida, Georgia, Virginia, Maryland, and North Carolina will be meeting to discuss enforcement legislation issues.

Secretary Gene Conti discussed the ITS World Congress Conference in Orlando and invited the Board members to attend.

There were no requests to address the board during the public input session.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:32 pm.

*Minutes prepared by: Jillian Bliss*