

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE OKLAHOMA TURNPIKE AUTHORITY,  
HELD JUNE 16, 2010 AT THE NEAL A. MCCALED TRANSPORTATION BUILDING, 3500  
MARTIN LUTHER KING AVENUE, OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA.**

NOTICE of the schedule of regular meetings of the Oklahoma Turnpike Authority for the calendar year 2010 having been given in writing to the Oklahoma Secretary of State, and public notice and agenda having been posted in prominent public view at the principal office of the Oklahoma Turnpike Authority, Neal A. McCaleb Transportation Building at 3500 Martin Luther King Avenue, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, twenty-four (24) hours prior to this meeting, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays, all in compliance with the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Doug Riebel called the meeting to order at 10:31 a.m.

**ROLL CALL:**           PRESENT:   Mr. Doug Riebel  
  Mr. Ken Fergeson  
  Mr. Clark Brewster  
  Mr. David Burrage  
  Mr. Hal Ellis

                                  ABSENT:   Mr. Mike Leonard

**INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:**

Ms. Jenny Johnson introduced the following guests: Mr. Josh Benninghoff, JP Morgan, Denver; Mr. Jeff Cowan, MKEC, Oklahoma City; and Mr. Geoff Covalt, Tetra Tech, Oklahoma City.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Mr. Riebel called for approval of the minutes for the Authority Meeting of May 19, 2010.

It was moved by Mr. Ken Fergeson and seconded by Mr. Hal Ellis that the minutes be approved as presented.

The motion carried by the following vote:

YES: Burrage, Ellis, Fergeson, Riebel

ABSTAIN: Brewster

**EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION AND OTHER AWARDS:**

Mr. David Machamer recognized Ms. Chriss Fitzpatrick and Ms. Krystal Elledge, Toll Collectors at the Newcastle Plaza on the H. E. Bailey Turnpike, to receive the Division Customer Service Award for the month. Ms. Fitzpatrick has been employed with the OTA since February 23, 2009. Ms. Elledge has worked for OTA as a temporary since September 30, 2009. On May 24, 2010 there was a fatal car accident at the Newcastle toll plaza. At the time of the accident, Ms. Fitzpatrick and Ms. Elledge were the toll collectors on duty. Their immediate response and persistent efforts during this ordeal are to be commended. Their actions were above and beyond normal expectations and represent the type of character and behavior well appreciated by the OTA.

Captain Mike Sharp recognized Trooper Clint Painter as the Turnpike Trooper of the Month. Trooper Painter is assigned to the Turner Turnpike. During a traffic stop in May, Trooper Painter became suspicious of the activities of the two occupants of the vehicle. Through very thorough investigative work, he determined that the occupants were not being truthful with him so he asked for and received consent to search the vehicle. The subsequent search yielded 150 kilos of cocaine with an estimated street value in excess of \$3 million. Trooper Painter displayed the high level of excellence and professionalism that the Oklahoma Highway Patrol is built on and deserves to be commended for his actions.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE ITEM(S)**

**TAB 1      9742. Consider, take action and vote for the election of the following offices for the period of July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011:**

Chairman  
Vice-Chairman  
Secretary/Treasurer  
Asst. Secretary/Treasurer

Mr. Hal Ellis presented this item stating that it was reviewed during the Finance Committee and he recommended the following election of officers.

Mr. Doug Riebel – Chairman  
Mr. Mike Leonard – Vice-Chairman  
Mr. Ken Fergeson – Secretary/Treasurer  
Ms. Julie Porter – Asst. Secretary/Treasurer

It was moved by Mr. Hal Ellis and seconded by Mr. Clark Brewster that the Authority approve this item as presented.

The motion carried by the following vote:

YES: Brewster, Burrage, Ellis, Fergeson, Riebel

**TAB 2        9743. Consider, take action and vote for the approval or disapproval of the Payment Register for the period of May 1, 2010 to and including May 31, 2010.**

Ms. Wendy Smith presented this item stating that staff recommended approval as presented.

It was moved by Mr. Hal Ellis and seconded by Mr. Clark Brewster that the Authority approve this item as presented.

The motion carried by the following vote:

YES: Brewster, Burrage, Ellis, Fergeson, Riebel

**TAB 3        9744. Consider, take action and vote for the approval or disapproval of the toll rates for the May Avenue Interchange on the John Kilpatrick Turnpike.**

Ms. Wendy Smith presented this item stating that it was reviewed by the Finance Committee and staff recommended it for approval as presented.

It was moved by Mr. Ken Fergeson and seconded by Mr. David Burrage that the Authority approve this item as presented.

The motion carried by the following vote:

YES: Brewster, Burrage, Ellis, Fergeson, Riebel

**TAB 4        9745. Consider, take action and vote for the approval or disapproval of a Miscellaneous Task Order for TransCore in the amount of \$241,157.95 for the purchase and installation of electronic toll collection equipment at the N.E. Oklahoma County Interchange on the Turner Turnpike.**

Ms. Wendy Smith presented this item stating that it was reviewed by the Finance Committee and staff recommended it for approval as presented.

It was moved by Mr. Ken Fergeson and seconded by Mr. Hal Ellis that the Authority approve this item as presented.

The motion carried by the following vote:

YES: Brewster, Burrage, Ellis, Fergeson, Riebel

**ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE ITEM(S)**

**TAB 5**      **9746. Consider, take action and vote for the approval or disapproval of the award of the following contract(s):**

	<u>Project No.</u>	<u>Low Bidder</u>	<u>Total Bid</u>	<u>Fund</u>
1.	HEB-MC-41 Chickasha Service Plaza Redevelopment near M.P. 85.5 H. E. Bailey Turnpike	Markwell Paving	\$1,379,878.52	General
2.	MU-MC-36 Muskogee Service Plaza Redevelopment near M.P. 24.0 Muskogee Turnpike	TTK Construction	\$2,206,946.30	General
3.	SP-41 Pavement Rehab M.P. 203.3 – 204.3 Turner Turnpike	APAC Central	\$497,356.82	General
4.	T-MC-102 Pavement Rehab M.P. 217.3 – 221.5 Turner Turnpike	APAC Central	\$8,933,000.17	General
5.	WR-MC-109 Toll Plaza Electrical Upgrades Will Rogers Turnpike	Magnum Construction	\$1,129,778.00	General

Mr. Gordon Johnson presented this item stating that it was reviewed by the Engineering and Construction Committee and staff recommended approval as presented.

It was moved by Mr. Ken Fergeson and seconded by Mr. Hal Ellis that the Authority approve this item as presented.

The motion carried by the following vote:

YES: Brewster, Burrage, Ellis, Fergeson, Riebel

**TAB 6      9747. Consider, take action and vote for the approval or disapproval of the following Engineering Design Services Task Order:**

	<u>Project No.</u>	<u>Consultant</u>	<u>Service</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Fund</u>
1.	IN-MC-48	Benham	Design	\$360,000.00	General
	Service Plaza		Geotech	47,500.00	
	M.P. 66.5		Survey	<u>32,100.00</u>	
	Indian Nation Turnpike		TOTAL	\$439,600.00	

Mr. Gordon Johnson presented this item stating that it was reviewed by the Engineering and Construction Committee and staff recommended approval as presented.

It was moved by Mr. Clark Brewster and seconded by Mr. David Burrage that the Authority approve this item as presented.

The motion carried by the following vote:

YES: Brewster, Burrage, Ellis, Riebel

NO: Fergeson

**TAB 7      9748. Consider, take action and vote for the approval or disapproval of Contract Modification No. 3 to the following Engineering Design Services Contract(s):**

	<u>Project No.</u>	<u>Consultant</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Fund</u>
1.	WR-MC-116A	MKEC Engineering	\$232,850.00	General
	Service Plaza	Consultants, Inc.		
	Redevelopment at Vinita			
	Will Rogers Turnpike			

Mr. Gordon Johnson presented this item stating that it was reviewed by the Engineering and Construction Committee and staff recommended approval as presented.

It was moved by Mr. Clark Brewster and seconded by Mr. Ken Fergeson that the Authority approve this item as presented.

The motion carried by the following vote:

YES: Brewster, Burrage, Ellis, Fergeson, Riebel

**TAB 8**        **9749. Consider, take action and vote for the approval or disapproval of a request to reject all bids and rebid the following contract(s):**

Project No.

1.     T-MC-94  
       Toll Plaza Electrical Upgrades  
       Turner Turnpike

Mr. Gordon Johnson presented this item stating that it was reviewed by the Engineering and Construction Committee and staff recommended approval as presented.

It was moved by Mr. Hal Ellis and seconded by Mr. Clark Brewster that the Authority approve this item as presented.

The motion carried by the following vote:

YES: Brewster, Burrage, Ellis, Ferguson, Riebel

## **REPORTS:**

### **Item #1. Operating Results**

Ms. Wendy Smith reported that traffic for the month of May was up 3.7%, with heavy truck traffic growing considerably by 9.1%. This was the third month in a row that truck traffic had improved. Ms. Smith reminded the Board that May 2009 had seen the worst drop at 14.2% below the previous May where weather had not been an issue. She stated that truck traffic was still below 2005 levels. However, OTA had managed to keep operating expenses below projections despite the extreme winter weather and the expense of the snow and ice removal supplies.

### **Item #2. Consulting Engineer Report**

Ms. Kristi Kirchner of The Benham Companies presented the Consulting Engineer Report for the month of May 2010. Concerning the Trust Requirements, Ms. Kirchner stated that Benham was in the process of completing all pavement and architectural/electrical inspections. The inspection data would be used for Benham's recommendations for capital plan projects for 2011 – 2015.

Ms. Kirchner also reported that Benham was completing repair plans for Bridge No. 6.46 on the Bailey Spur that was hit by an over-height vehicle around the 24<sup>th</sup> of May. The outside concrete beams sustained damage. There were three pre-stressing tendons in the east exterior beam severed. The damage to the pre-stressed tendons did not result in a reduction of the load rating factor.

The capital plan project summary was provided in the Consulting Engineer's monthly report.

**Item #3. Highway Patrol Report**

Captain Mike Sharp presented the OHP Report for the month of May 2010. Troopers made 12,196 violator contacts, assisted 1,289 motorists, and investigated 99 motor vehicle collisions. There was one fatality reported on the H. E. Bailey Turnpike.

He stated that the information for aircraft and toll enforcement was provided in the monthly report.

**Item #4. Director's Report**

Mr. Riebel asked Mr. Tim Stewart if he had anything further to report in Mr. Gary Ridley's absence. Mr. Stewart stated that the Board awarded a little over \$24 million in projects during May and approved another \$14 million during today's meeting. Many of these projects would take place on the Turner Turnpike. He again emphasized the fact that traffic would be disrupted along the Turner Turnpike, but that OTA would try to minimize that disruption as much as possible by having nighttime construction. There would be nighttime work on both ends of the Turner Turnpike for the first time in the history of the organization. Mr. Stewart encouraged people as they travel the Turner to be very cautious and to carefully observe the various warning signs and speed limits put in place. He stated that OTA recognized that there would be some inconvenience and apologized for that. With the limited funding last year, these projects were unable to be completed. Now that the revenues were somewhat returning, OTA would now be able to reinvest in its system.

Mr. Fergeson asked about the signage of nighttime construction. Mr. Stewart stated that signage would be prevalent and that the contractor would have lighting installed at the actual work activities. The main reason for the nighttime work was to allow the contractor to work at night and open the lanes during the day so they would be available for traffic. On those locations where construction takes place during the day, OTA will incentivize the contractor to minimize the work zone area and only close lanes that are needed to construct the project.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting adjourned at 10:46 a.m. until July 21, 2010 at 11:30 a.m. at the Oklahoma Turnpike Authority, Neal A. McCaleb Building, at 3500 Martin Luther King Avenue, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

**ATTEST:**

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Ken Fergeson  
Secretary/Treasurer

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Doug Riebel  
Chairman