

**STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD OF GEORGIA
MINUTES**

**Georgia Department of Transportation
600 West Peachtree Street
Atlanta, Georgia 30308**

**September 15, 2016
9:00 a.m.**

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Robert Brown, Chairman
Jamie Boswell, Vice Chairman
Ann Purcell, Secretary
Johnny Floyd
Stacey Key
Mark Burkhalter
Rudy Bowen
Tim Golden
Emily Dunn
Jeff Lewis
Don Grantham
Dana Lemon
Roger Williams

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Sam Wellborn

DOT STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:

Russell McMurry, Commissioner
Mike Dover, Deputy Commissioner
Angela Whitworth, Treasurer
Meg Pirkle, Chief Engineer
Matt Cline, General Counsel

Chairman Robert Brown called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. Ann Purcell gave the invocation.

Chairman Brown asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the August 2016 meetings. Don Grantham made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Roger Williams and unanimously approved.*

Joe Carpenter, Director of P3/Program Delivery, presented the projects proposed for the October 2016 Letting for approval. Chairman Brown asked for a motion to approve. Ann Purcell made a motion to approve the projects proposed for the October 2016 Letting, seconded by Roger Williams and unanimously approved.*

Commissioner McMurry introduced Bobby Marr, APWA Chapter President and Stan Brown, APWA Georgia Chapter Awards Committee Chairman, to present the American Public Works Association Award (APWA). APWA received 36 submittals, and GDOT was chosen to receive the Transportation Project of the Year. They also announced that Jay Roberts was chosen to receive the Elected Official of 2015 award.

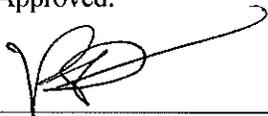
Commissioner Russell McMurry gave the monthly Department report, including state fund collections; total employment figure for the month ending August 2016; major projects opened to traffic; update on the FAST Act and federal funding, announced the retirement of Lee Upkins as the State Utility Engineer and announcement that Patrick Allen will be taking over the position; announcement of awards GDOT received at the SASHTO annual meeting in West Virginia – Best Use of Innovation for the Broad Avenue Memorial Bridge, and also won in the Under Budget category; GDOT IT staff won for Information Communication Technology Solutions for the technology implemented in GDOT’s emergency operations process; GTA also nominated Jeff Hill from GDOT as the National Association of Chief Information Officers and nominated GDOT’s IT staff for Excalibur award; GDOT received the Seven Seals Award for the support of their employees serving in their National Guard and Reserve by Chief Warrant Officer Doug Kirkland; Jim Butterworth, Director of GEMA, acknowledged Brian Hames for the rewrite of two plans on how agencies work together during emergencies; GDOT received National Pollinator Roadside Management award nominated by the staff at The Ray; announcement of the opening of the DBE Business Resource Center; GDOT employees completing management development program; GDOT hosted the 2016 Southeastern Regional Equipment Operators Rodeo in Savannah in early September; Grady Bennett and Tony Clark both placed 3rd in the Rodeo; work of GDOT during hurricane Hermine; GDOT hosted the 4th Annual Regional Transportation Expo with universities across the state; the Commissioner attended a joint conference American Road and Builders Association, American Contractors Association and AASHTO; update on Drive Alert, Arrive Alive campaign; and the launch of the “Safety On Our Mind” Campaign.

Mark Burkhalter gave a report from the Equal Access Committee.* There was no action taken at the meeting.

Chairman Robert Brown gave a report from the Committee of the Whole.* There was no action taken at this meeting.

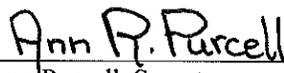
There being no further business, Chairman Brown adjourned the meeting at 10:20 a.m.

Approved:



Robert Brown, Chairman

Respectfully submitted:



Ann Purcell, Secretary

*Denotes documentation in file.