

**MINUTES
STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD**

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
600 West Peachtree Street
Atlanta, Georgia 30308**

November 17, 2011

9:00 a.m.

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Rudy Bowen, Chairman
Johnny Floyd, Vice Chairman
Jay Shaw
Sam Wellborn
Robert Brown
Emory McClinton
Brandon Beach
Jim Cole
Emily Dunn
Don Grantham
Jeff Lewis
Bobby Parham

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Dana Lemon

DOT STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:

Keith Golden, Commissioner
Gerald Ross, Chief Engineer
Angela Whitworth, Treasurer
Matt Cline, General Counsel

Chairman Rudy Bowen opened the meeting at 9:05 a.m.

Johnny Floyd gave the invocation.

Brandon Beach presented an award to Emanuel Jackson, HERO Unit Coordinator, which he received in Washington, D.C. on behalf of the Department for Operation Improvement. Brandon Beach stated that there were 60 applicants for this award and the Department's Hero Unit received the award.

Chairman Bowen asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the October 2011 meetings. Sam Wellborn made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 2011 meetings, seconded by Johnny Floyd and unanimously approved.*

Genetha Rice-Singleton, Program Control Administrator, presented the projects proposed for the December 2011 Letting for approval. Chairman Bowen asked for a motion to approve. Johnny Floyd made a motion to approve the projects proposed for the December 2011 Letting, seconded by Don Grantham and unanimously approved.*

Todd Long, Director of Planning, presented the revisions to the Construction Work Program for November 2011 for approval. Chairman Bowen asked for a motion to approve the revisions to the Construction Work Program for November 2011. Sam Wellborn made a motion to approve the revisions to the Construction Work Program for November 2011, seconded by Robert Brown and unanimously approved.*

Todd Long, Director of Planning, presented the revisions to the Construction Work Program for December 2011 to be approved at the December 2011 Board Meeting.

Todd Long also gave an update on the TIGER Grants. Todd Long stated that the applications for the TIGER Grants were due at the end of October and Department sent in an application for three projects, which are I-16 & 75 in Macon, the I-575 Corridor and C.W. Grant Parkway. The selection and announcement for the TIGER Grants will be in December 2011.

Grant Waldrop, P.E., Regional Traffic Operations Manager, gave a presentation on the Regional Traffic Operation Program (RTOP), which included Atlanta region's signal operators; traffic signals; RTOP's role; regionally significant corridors; what has been done regarding the regional program; remote communications; active management and program benefits. There was some discussion regarding the RTOP. Robert Brown stated this presentation was good information and the public should be made aware of the program.

Keith Golden, Commissioner, gave his monthly report, which included state fund collections; total employment figure for the month ending October 30, 2011; major projects opened to traffic; materials research project; sponsor-a-highway media event and winter weather outreach plan. Commissioner Golden introduced Karlene Barron, Director of Communications, to give an update on the Winter Weather Outreach Plan.* Karlene Barron gave an update on the Winter Weather Outreach Plan, which included the goal; key audiences; key messages and key strategies. There was some discussion regarding the weather outreach plan. Karlene Barron stated that she will continue to give the Board updates on the outreach weather plan periodically.

Jim Cole gave a report from the Program Delivery Committee.* There was no action taken at the meeting.

Brandon Beach gave a report from the Public Private (P3) Committee.* There was no action taken at the meeting.

Jim Cole also gave a report from the Legislative Committee.* There was no action taken at the meeting.

Johnny Floyd gave a report from the Equal Access Committee.* There was not action taken at the meeting.

There being no further business, Chairman Bowen asked for a motion to adjourn. Emory McClinton made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Johnny Floyd and unanimously approved.

Approved:



Rudy Bowen, Chairman

Respectfully submitted:



Elizabeth Osmon, Executive Secretary

***Denotes documentation in file.**