

**CROSS PLAINS RURAL TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL
MINUTES**

October 17, 2019

Thursday, 9:30 a.m.

**Nortex Regional Planning Commission Conference Room
4309 Jacksboro Highway - Wichita Falls, Texas 76302**

Voting Members

Rusty Stafford, Baylor County Judge, CPRTC Chairman
Randy Jackson, Archer County Judge
Jason Brinkley, Cooke County Judge
Rick Lewis, Montague County Judge
Greg Tyra, Wilbarger County Judge
J.C. Bullock, Young County Judge
Bert Cunningham, City Manager, City of Bowie
Mike Whaley, City Manager, City of Burkburnett
Ron Sellman, Proxy for City Manager Barry Sullivan, City of Gainesville
Leon Klement, Cooke County Commissioner
Jerry Flemming, City Manager, City of Iowa Park
Lauren Bush, Proxy for Mayor Jon Hrcirik, City of Seymour
Marty Mangum, City Manager, City of Vernon

Other Participants

Joe Gambill, NorTex Regional Planning Commission
Cabie Lamb, for Representative Drew Springer
Keith Umphress, Jack County Judge
Wayne Bell, City Councilor, City of Bowie

TxDOT Staff

Mike Beaver, P.E., District Engineer
Scot Reaves, P.E., Director of Transportation, Planning & Development
Zach Husen, P.E., Graham Area Engineer
David Rohmer, P.E., Wichita Falls Area Engineer
Glenn Allbritton, P.E., Director of Maintenance Operations
Shaun Barnes, P.E., Director of Advance Transportation Planning
Ben Coker, District Design
Adele Lewis, Public Information Officer

The Cross Plains Rural Transportation Council (CPRTC) met at the Nortex Regional Planning Commission Conference Room on October 17, 2019. The meeting began at 9:35 a.m.

- 1. Welcome & Opening Remarks** – Judge Rusty Stafford, Baylor County, welcomed attendees to the quarterly CPRTC Meeting. Judge Stafford led pledges to the United States and Texas flags.
- 2. Self Introductions** – Introductions were made around the room.
- 3. Public Comments** – None
- 4. Approval of CPRTC minutes from the July 18, 2018 meeting**
A motion was made by Judge Randy Jackson, Archer County and seconded by Judge Greg Tyra, Wilbarger County to approve the minutes as documented and the motion carried.
- 5. Topics**

- **Legislative update:** Ben Coker relayed an email from Jennifer Foster with Senator Charles Perry's office concerning interim charges for the transportation committee and the date for the first Senate Transportation hearing.

Mike Beaver provided an update on County Transportation Infrastructure Fund Grant (CTIFG) program. He said the application should go out in March around the first quarter of 2020, adding county judges should have received a letter from TxDOT and emphasis is being placed on the energy sector.

- **Discussion of Project Prioritization Process:** Scot Reaves went down the list of Projects. Glenn Allbritton said that in-house maintenance crews did a widening from Windthorst to SH 148 and additional safety projects were scheduled between SH 148 and the Montague County Line.

Judge Randall Jackson addressed the importance of projects in Archer County.

Judge Rusty Stafford and Seymour Economic Development Director Lauren Bush presented the need for projects in Baylor County. Glenn Allbritton and Scot Reaves provided updates on US 82 and SH 114 Super-2 projects and US 183 widening projects.

Glenn Allbritton informed the group of an overlay project upcoming on FM 1197 to address a pipeline project that damaged the roadway.

Judge Jason Brinkley addressed the group about the importance of the US 82 upgrade to 4-lane projects in Clay and Montague County to help with connectivity in the region.

Ron Sellman with the City of Gainesville, Cooke County Commissioner Leon Klement and Judge Brinkley discussed projects in Cooke County.

Glenn Allbritton said safety projects were underway on FM 373 north of Muenster and FM 922 to widen the roadway to 28 feet and provided information on where the safety funds come from and the benefit the Wichita Falls District has received from those funds.

Mike Beaver and Cooke County officials discussed the 1-35/US 82 Gainesville Loop.

Bowie Mayor Bert Cunningham discussed projects within the Bowie city limits.

Judge Stafford talked about the US 283 widening projects in Throckmorton County. Zach Husen and Scot Reaves updated the group on projects scheduled to address this widening.

Mike Whaley presented projects within the Burkburnett city limits.

Scot Reaves and Shaun Barnes talked about the progress of discussions on the US 82 GAP project between. Judge Jackson added his support for the project and said Wichita County officials have also spoke on the need for the project.

Judge Tyra, Marty Mangum and Mike Beaver discussed the US 70 drainage project.

Judge Bullock and Zach Husen addressed the FM 209 structure widening and SH 114/SH 16 overpass projects.

- **Review of TxDOT Construction Projects:**

Zach Husen, P.E., Graham Area Engineer discussed projects under the Graham Area Office.

David Rohmer, P.E., Wichita Falls Area Engineer discussed projects under the Wichita Falls Area Office.

6. **Other:** Glenn Allbritton discussed county assistance fund distributions from TxDOT and updated the group on when to expect a letter addressing each county's allocation.

7. **Next Meeting Date** - Thursday, January 16, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

8. **Topics for Next Meeting**

- Judge Stafford requested that the group select a new CPRTC chairman at the January 2020 meeting.

9. **Adjourned** at 11:06 a.m.