



**MINUTES OF THE
MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
July 6, 2011**

The July meeting of the Maryland Transportation Commission was held on Wednesday, July 6, at 10:30AM. The members met at MDOT in the Board Room. The following members were present.

Vice Chairman Mario VillaSanta
Bill Cox
Ed Ellis
George Littrell
Michael Moore
Carol Petzold
Cathy Riley
Gary Simpson
Sudhir Trevidi

Vice Chairman VillaSanta called the meeting to order at 10:39AM. He began by welcoming everyone to the monthly meeting. Introductions were made to acquaint Margo Carlisle, Administrative Support for the Office of Planning and Capital Programming to the group.

The minutes from June were reviewed and approved. Motion to accept minutes was accepted. There was a quorum present.

A discussion of proposed and possible dedications included the following:

Discussion of a draft memo from Senator Yeager

No application has been received.

Discussion of MSP Detective Sergeant Shaft

No application has been received.

I-195 Cyber Highway

Indefinitely on hold

MD Waterman's Bridge on Route 50

The dedication will be held on 7/22/11 at 4 p.m. The commission has issued a formal invitation via email or paper copy. Proposed speaker is Board member Elmer Horsey.

Discussed memo regarding of roadside tower structure setbacks

Mr. Ellis spoke on the subject of roadside tower structure setbacks in Worcester and its location next to the highway stating that we must emphasize safety regarding the tower and all similar structures. Avoid locating along highways. In the event of an evacuation, anything in the area of such structures would be impacted. The cost would not impact the state. The state must grant right-of-way. New language must go through Secretary Swaim-Staley and copied to Deputy Mobley as well as the DLS staff. Mr. Littrell made the suggestion of assigning someone to investigate current policies. Chairman VillaSanta reminded group that windmills have already addressed such issues.

The memo was reviewed, changes were recommended and edits made. Mr. Snook suggested sending the finished memo to the Association of Counties but address it to Secretary Swaim-Staley. Mr. Snook made a motion to accept the memo as read, Mr. Littrell seconded and the vote carried. Next meeting will be 8/3/11 and will be held here at MDOT HQ.

With no further items, the meeting ended at 11:17 a.m.