# PENNSYLVANIA STATE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION BUSINESS MEETING HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA APRIL 29, 2019



Please note that these minutes are not intended to capture every individual comment, but rather to identify critical discussion points and highlights of the STC business meetings.

#### CALL TO ORDER:

Vice Chair Robert B. Pease convened a business conference call of the State Transportation Commission (STC) at 10:03 am on April 29, 2019, in Harrisburg, PA.

#### **ROLL CALL:**

# **Commissioners Present in Person:**

- 1. Honorable Kim Ward
  - Mr. Nolan Ritchie, Alternate Present
- 4. Honorable Tim Hennessey
- 6. Honorable Michael Carroll
  - Ms. Meredith Biggica, Alternate Present

# **Commissioners Present by Phone:**

- 2. Honorable Robert B. Pease, P.E., Vice Chair
- 3. Honorable George M. Khoury
- 5. Honorable Sharon Knoll
- 7. Honorable John Sabatina
  - Mr. Jason Gerald, Alternate Present

# **Commissioners Not Present:**

- 1. Honorable Leslie S. Richards, Chair
- 2. Honorable Christina G. Cavalieri

# **VICE CHAIR'S REMARKS:**

Vice Chair Pease gave brief remarks welcoming Commissioners and Guests to Harrisburg PA.

# RAIL FREIGHT PROJECTS RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019

Deputy Secretary Jennie Granger gave a brief presentation about the Rail Freight projects recommended for funding for the Fiscal Year 2018-2019. She explained that applications for 37 projects were received of which 27 were recommended. Ms. Granger pointed out the competitiveness of the Rail Freight Grant Program and praise the great work that is being done to make the program even better.

Mr. Hennessey asked about the difference between the two East Penn Railroad projects. Ms. Granger answered that one project is in Bucks county and the other is in Chester county.

Mr. Ritchie commented about the overall amount available for the projects.

Ms. Granger noted that her deputate was able to award a little over the overall amount available.

**ON A MOTION** by Mr. Hennessey and seconded by Ms. Knoll, the 2018 Rail Freight Projects were unanimously approved.

## TWELVE YEAR TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM By: Jessica Clark

Ms. Jessica Clark gave a brief overview of the TYP public outreach. She explained that the comment period was now closed, and the overall public outreach has been a success as the goal of surpassing last year's survey participants (over 6,000 participants) was reached.

Ms. Clark indicated that the team has started processing the input received and the results will be presented at the Planning Partners Meeting and the next STC meeting in June.

Mr. Pease asked if the number of participants reflects the people's interest in the outreach program.

Ms. Clark answered that she would like to think so. She added that an emphasis is being put on targeting the young drivers to learn more about their input. A full report of the TYP outreach effort will be provided during the June STC meeting.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

### **NEXT MEETING**

The next STC quarterly meeting is scheduled for **Thursday**, **June 13**, **2019**, in Washington, Pennsylvania.

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

**ON A MOTION** by Mr. Hennessey and seconded by Mr. Pease The STC business meeting was adjourned at 10:11 PM.