

MINUTES OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION MEETING

November 3, 2025

MINUTES OF THE COMMISSION MEETING OF THE OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, HELD NOVEMBER 3, 2025, IN THE COMMISSION MEETING ROOM OF THE OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, 200 NE 21ST STREET, OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73105

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ITEMS PRESENTED BY COMMISSION VICE-CHAIRMAN

CALL TO ORDER: Mr. Peterson called the meeting to order at 11:06 a.m.

The following items were presented and approved as written at the Transportation Commission meeting November 3, 2025.

<u>ROLL CALL:</u>	Present:	Bob Peterson	Chairman
		David Dyson	Vice-Chairman
		Michael Junk	Secretary
		Ronnie Boswell	Member
		Eric Stuteville	Member
		Don Freymiller	Member
		Paul Scott	Member
		Bobby Alexander	Member

Absent:	Lisa Billy	Member
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Presiding:	Bob Peterson
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Chairman Peterson thanked everyone for coming and recognized Representative Miller, Senator Jech, Paul Zachary with City of Tulsa, Mike Patterson, former Secretary of Transportation, and Bobby Stem, Executive Director of AOGC for their attendance.

ITEMS TO BE PRESENTED BY COMMISSION CHAIRMAN

Call to Order

Roll Call – Commission Secretary

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

Women in Transportation Ray LaHood Award Recipient, TJ Dill – Sarah Kellert

Perpetual Pavement Award Presentation, US-69 & I-40 – Larry Patrick

ITEM TO BE PRESENTED BY THE EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE COMMISSION

160. Approval of the Minutes of the Transportation Commission Meeting of October 6, 2025

ACTION:	Dyson moved and Freymiller seconded that the Minutes be approved.
MOTION:	Carried by the following vote:
AYES:	Boswell, Stuteville, Freymiller, Dyson, Scott, Peterson
ABSTAIN:	Alexander, Junk
ABSENT:	Billy

CONSENT DOCKET TO BE PRESENTED BY COMMISSION CHAIRMAN

161. Changes in Traffic Control – Ms. Theisen

District III, Lincoln County – City of Wellston, Intersection of SH-66 & SH-102

162. Speed Zone Revisions – Ms. Theisen

- a) District VIII, Osage County – Along US-60 including the City of Pawhuska for 21.36 miles
- b) District VIII, Osage County – Along US-60 including the City of Pawhuska for 19.34 miles
- c) District VIII, Osage County – Along SH-11 including the City of Pawhuska for 14.09 miles

163. Modification of Federal Railroad Crossing Safety Funds, 23 USC § 130 – Mr. Schwennesen

- a) District I, Muskogee County – Union Pacific Railroad - \$69,702.74
- b) District V, Kiowa County – Stillwater Central Railroad - \$11,552.30
- c) District VII, Stephens County – Union Pacific Railroad - \$104,018.24

164. Land Sales – Mr. Phillips

District IV, Canadian County - \$8,051.00

165. Damage to State Property Settlement – Ms. Penn

District IV, Oklahoma County - \$1,750.00

ACTION:	Scott moved and Alexander seconded that the Consent Docket be approved as presented.
MOTION:	Carried by the following vote:
AYES:	Boswell, Stuteville, Freymiller, Dyson, Alexander, Scott, Junk, Peterson
ABSTAIN:	
ABSENT:	Billy

END OF CONSENT DOCKET

ITEMS TO BE PRESENTED BY DIRECTOR OF DESIGN – Mr. Hernandez

166. Bridge Impact – Programming Item
District I, Okmulgee County - \$500,000.00

ACTION: Junk moved and Dyson seconded that the Item be approved as presented.
MOTION: Carried by the following vote:
AYES: Boswell, Stuteville, Freymiller, Dyson, Alexander, Scott, Junk, Peterson
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT: Billy

167. Modified Progressive Design Build (MPDB) Contracts, Roosevelt Bridge
District II, Marshall & Bryan Counties - \$6,000,000.00

ACTION: Stuteville moved and Boswell seconded that the Item be approved as presented.
MOTION: Carried by the following vote:
AYES: Boswell, Stuteville, Freymiller, Dyson, Alexander, Scott, Junk, Peterson
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT: Billy

168. Engineering Contracts

- a) Statewide – On-Demand Biological Assessment and Studies, Monitoring, and Surveys of Threatened and Endangered Species, Bald Eagle and Migratory Birds - \$1,250,000.00
 - CI-2543A — Blackbird Environmental, LLC
 - CI-2543B — Environmental Consultants of Habitats and Organisms, LLC
 - CI-2543C — Environmental Solutions & Innovations, Inc.
 - CI-2543D — HDR Engineering, Inc.
 - CI-2543E — Olsson, Inc.
- b) Statewide – On-Demand Geotechnical Investigations - \$2,000,000.00
 - CI-2546A — Red Rock Consulting, LLC
 - CI-2546B — Arrowhead Engineering Company, LLC
 - CI-2546C — Olsson, Inc.
 - CI-2546D — WSB, Inc.
 - CI-2546E — Building & Earth Sciences, Inc.
 - CI-2546F — Terracon Consultants, Inc.
 - CI-2546G — Standard Testing & Engineering, LLC
 - CI-2546H — Kleinfelder, Inc.
- c) All Districts – Statewide – On-Demand Engineering Services - \$15,000,000.00
 - CI-2547A — Benham Design, LLC
 - CI-2547B — Burgess and Niple, Inc.
 - CI-2547C — Freese and Nichols, Inc.
 - CI-2547D — Garver, LLC
 - CI-2547E — HNTB Corporation
 - CI-2547F — Poe & Associates, Inc.

ACTION: Dyson moved and Scott seconded that the Item be approved as presented.
MOTION: Carried by the following vote:
AYES: Boswell, Stuteville, Freymiller, Dyson, Alexander, Scott, Junk, Peterson
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT: Billy

169. Engineering Contract Supplements

- a) Statewide — On-Demand Engineering Services for Americans with Disabilities Act Improvements — Supplement 1 — \$3,000,000.00
CI-2515A — AtkinsRealis USA Inc.
CI-2515B — Cowan Group Engineering, LLC
CI-2515C — Halff Associates, Inc.
CI-2515D — Hudson Prince Engineering & Inspection, PLLC
CI-2515E — Kimley-Horn and Associates Inc.
CI-2515F — Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, Inc.

- b) District III, Hughes County - Preparation of Construction Plans - \$627,100.14
CI-2374B, Supplement 1 – MKEC Engineering Inc.

Public Access to total contracts by Consultant, type: Oklahoma.gov/odot, under Business Center or click: [8-Year CWP Contract Totals by Consultant SFY 2017-Present](#)

ACTION:	Scott moved and Stuteville seconded that the Item be approved as presented.
MOTION:	Carried by the following vote:
AYES:	Boswell, Stuteville, Freymiller, Dyson, Alexander, Scott, Junk, Peterson
ABSTAIN:	
ABSENT:	Billy

ITEMS TO BE PRESENTED BY CONSTRUCTION DIVISION ENGINEER - Mr. Leonard

170. Change Orders with Cumulative Total of \$150,000.00 or Less - Information Only

- a) District I, Adair County - County Road
Contract ID: 240286 - #1 - \$66,838.62 - 1.53%
- b) District V, Beckham County - I-40
Contract ID: 240249 - #2 - \$8,875.33 - 0.17%
- c) District V, Beckham County - I-40
Contract ID: 240249 - #3 - \$11,144.30 - 0.21%
- d) District II, Bryan County - County Road
Contract ID: 240216 - #2 - \$87,844.12 - 5.92%
- e) District IV, Canadian County - I-40
Contract ID: 220330 - #2 - \$71,122.78 - 1.70%
- f) District III, Cleveland County - SH-39
Contract ID: 220365 - #4 - \$11,880.00 - 0.08%
- g) District III, Coal County - SH-48
Contract ID: 240251 - #2 - \$18,518.40 - 0.31%
- h) District VII, Comanche County - US-277
Contract ID: 240194 - #5 - \$63,739.50 - 1.01%
- i) District VIII, Creek County - SH-48
Contract ID: 250009 - #2 - \$123,357.12 - 9.87%
- j) District V, Greer County - County Road
Contract ID: 250128 - #1 - \$15,943.76 - 2.85%
- k) District V, Jackson County - US-283
Contract ID: 220317 - #8 - \$54,211.03 - 0.53%

- l) District IV, Logan County - US-77
Contract ID: 210112 - #3 - \$16,524.83 - 0.07%
 - m) District I, Muskogee County - County Road
Contract ID: 210180 - #5 - \$2,075.79 - 0.17%
 - n) District VIII, Nowata County - SH-28
Contract ID: 250033 - #3 - \$78,778.05 - 7.60%
 - o) District VIII, Osage County - SH-20
Contract ID: 250133 - #3 - \$63,966.96 - 1.19%
 - p) District III, Pontotoc County - SH-1
Contract ID: 250060 - #1 - \$21,807.45 - 0.62%
 - q) District III, Pottawatomie County - SH-3E
Contract ID: 250090 - #1 - \$28,990.89 - 0.95%
 - r) District III, Seminole County - SH-3E
Contract ID: 250115 - #1 - \$14,380.00 - 0.66%
 - s) District VII, Stephens County - County Roads
Contract ID: 250117 - #1 - \$61,384.03 - 23.87%
 - t) District VI, Texas County - US-64
Contract ID: 250037 - #3 - \$29,842.50 - 5.32%
 - u) District VI, Texas County - US-64
Contract ID: 250037 - #4 - \$98,041.00 - 17.48%
 - v) District VIII, Tulsa County - City Street
Contract ID: 250048 - #1 - \$0.60 - 0.00%
 - w) District VI, Woods County – Multiple Locations
Contract ID: 250043 - #1 - \$9,787.14 - 0.09%
- Total of Less Than Change Orders: \$959,054.20**

171. Change Orders with Cumulative Total Greater than \$150,000.00 - Mr. Leonard

- a) District VII, Caddo County - US-62
Contract ID: 200273 - #8 - \$89,887.71 - 0.56%
- b) District V, Caddo County - I-40
Contract ID: 230045 - #5 - \$1,359,435.18 - 9.25%
- c) District IV, Canadian County - SH-4
Contract ID: 230002 - #11 - \$5,823.32 - 0.05%
- d) District I, Cherokee County - US-62
Contract ID: 220280 - #3 - \$29,414.51 - 0.51%
- e) District III, Cleveland County - City Street
Contract ID: 240198 - #3 - \$80,428.50 - 0.52%
- f) District II, Leflore County - US-59
Contract ID: 230191 - #2 - \$1,737.45 - 0.01%
- g) District II, Leflore County - SH-112
Contract ID: 250071 - #1 - \$338,675.18 - 1.91%
- h) District II, McCurtain County - SH-3
Contract ID: 230256 - #10 - \$39,633.60 - 0.23%

- i) District I, McIntosh County - US-69
Contract ID: 240032 - #3 - \$103,401.65 - 1.29%
 - j) District IV, Oklahoma County - I-40
Contract ID: 220297 - #13 - \$19,352.92 - 0.01%
 - k) District IV, Oklahoma County - I-35
Contract ID: 220228 - #23 - \$1,336,116.60 - 2.21%
 - l) District IV, Oklahoma County - I-35
Contract ID: 220228 - #28 - \$11,972.94 - 0.02%
 - m) District IV, Oklahoma County - I-35
Contract ID: 240177 - #2 - \$481,468.70 - 2.63%
 - n) District IV, Oklahoma County - SH-152
Contract ID: 240246 - #2 - \$29,364.15 - 0.16%
 - o) District IV, Oklahoma County - City Streets
Contract ID: 220323 - #9 - \$213,524.29 - 2.49%
 - p) District III, Pontotoc County - SH-3
Contract ID: 240087 - #5 - \$446,197.29 - 13.49%
 - q) District III, Pottawatomie County - I-40
Contract ID: 250035 - #5 - \$49,608.76 - 1.12%
 - r) District VIII, Rogers County - County Road
Contract ID: 230119 - #3 - \$490,439.65 - 2.20%
 - s) District VIII, Rogers County - SH-66 / SH-20 / SH-88
Contract ID: 250091 - #1 - \$152,250.00 - 2.96%
 - t) District III, Seminole County - US-270
Contract ID: 220268 - #9 - \$27,024.50 - 0.05%
 - u) District I, Sequoyah County - SH-101
Contract ID: 230138 - #5 - \$2,750.00 - 0.08%
 - v) District VIII, Tulsa County - Multiple Locations
Contract ID: 230333 - #1 - \$358,629.09 - 22.67%
- Total of Greater Than Change Orders: \$5,667,135.99**

ACTION: Dyson moved and Freymiller seconded that the Item be approved.
MOTION: Carried by the following vote:
AYES: Boswell, Stuteville, Freymiller, Dyson, Alexander, Scott, Junk, Peterson
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT: Billy

ITEM TO BE PRESENTED BY DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS – Mr. Davis

172. Claim for Additional Payment

- a) District III, Cleveland County – C3 Construction Inc. - \$264,506.14
- b) District VIII, Tulsa County – Sherwood Construction Company - \$26,592,017.22

ACTION: Alexander moved and Scott seconded that the Item be approved.
MOTION: Carried by the following vote:
AYES: Boswell, Stuteville, Freymiller, Dyson, Alexander, Scott, Junk, Peterson
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT: Billy

ITEM TO BE PRESENTED BY FINANCIAL SERVICES – Ms. Bryant

173. Proposed Bid Openings

- a) Tentative January 2026 Proposed Bid Opening
- b) Tentative February 2026 Proposed Bid Opening

ACTION:	Stuteville moved and Boswell seconded that the Item be approved.
MOTION:	Carried by the following vote:
AYES:	Boswell, Stuteville, Freymiller, Dyson, Alexander, Scott, Junk, Peterson
ABSTAIN:	
ABSENT:	Billy

ITEMS TO BE PRESENTED BY THE OFFICE ENGINEER – Mr. Ngoka

174. Awards

- a) October 9, 2025 – Regular Bid Opening
- b) October 16, 2025 – Regular Bid Opening

ACTION:	Boswell moved and Freymiller seconded that the Item be approved.
MOTION:	Carried by the following vote:
AYES:	Boswell, Stuteville, Freymiller, Dyson, Alexander, Scott, Junk, Peterson
ABSTAIN:	
ABSENT:	Billy

ITEM TO BE PRESENTED BY THE DIRECTOR – Mr. Dill

175. Director’s Report – Information Only

Director Gatz began his report by presenting an update on federal funding conditions, explaining that although the federal government shutdown continued without a new continuing resolution, the Department was still receiving prosecution and progress payments for active construction and engineering contracts. He noted the shutdown’s main impact involves projects dependent on federal fiscal year 2026 formula funds, which had forced the Department to move several projects off the November letting. He stated the projects would be redistributed across the January, February, and March lettings once Congress acted, and he emphasized that the Department would continue managing its finances conservatively while monitoring federal developments.

Gatz reported on several interim legislative studies that ODOT tracked during the offseason. He highlighted a comprehensive study on freight transportation infrastructure led by Representative Nicole Miller, which examined rail, water, and surface modes and produced valuable findings for statewide economic development. He also discussed studies focused on workforce challenges and business innovation, and stressed the need for continued investment in training, education, and certification programs. He described his participation in an interim study on market-based pay, noting the Department had conducted compensation studies since 2005. He explained that past turnover rates had exceeded 33% but had since improved to roughly 12-13%, which he attributed to sustained efforts to invest in employee retention across the organization’s many professional fields.

Director Gatz described recent findings from a work zone safety interim study sponsored by Senator Frix and supported by Bobby Stem and the AOGC. He noted that ODOT Chief Engineer TJ Dill and OTA’s Chief Engineer Trenton January presented data showing high numbers of construction work zone crashes, largely caused by speeding and driver distraction, often resulting in collisions in traffic queues.

He stressed the importance of enhanced enforcement in partnership with the Oklahoma Highway Patrol and said the Department planned to continue advancing technological and educational tools to improve safety. He added that another interim study involving the Turnpike Authority was scheduled for the week and would be monitored closely.

He reported that significant progress has been made on the Roosevelt Bridge replacement project, which would use a modified progressive design-build method for the first time. The evaluation process has been thorough, and the next steps involved collaborating with contractor teams to develop a recommendation for presentation in the spring. Director Gatz also highlighted the Work Zone Safe teen driver program, noting that Oklahoma became the first state in November 2023 to require all teen drivers to complete the online Work Zone and Move Over Safe Course before applying for an intermediate license. A new impaired-driving module had recently been added, and he acknowledged speakers such as Representative Nicole Miller, Lieutenant Eric Foster, and Jeff Murrow, who emphasized the importance of reducing impaired-driving fatalities, which continue to exceed 400 deaths annually.

Gatz presented updates on upcoming safety-focused construction projects, including wrong-way driving countermeasures at approximately 90 sites throughout the Tulsa metropolitan area, expanding on similar efforts in Oklahoma City. He also described the approved realignment of SH-80 near Hulbert in Cherokee County, a \$9 million project supported by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and Fort Gibson Lake Manager Gary Mordell. Construction was expected to begin in early 2026 and finish by year's end.

He concluded with a safety reminder ahead of the holiday season, urging motorists to plan sober transportation and to continue practicing consistent seat-belt use, noting the high number of fatal crashes historically recorded during Thanksgiving. He also acknowledged that a new impaired-driving law had taken effect on November 1, increasing penalties for first-time offenses involving crashes, injuries, or young passengers.

No Commission action required.

ITEM TO BE PRESENTED BY COMMISSION CHAIRMAN

176. Adjournment Motion

ACTION:	Dyson moved and Scott seconded that the Item be approved.
MOTION:	Carried by the following vote:
AYES:	Boswell, Stuteville, Freymiller, Dyson, Alexander, Scott, Junk, Peterson
ABSTAIN:	
ABSENT:	Billy

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