

**MINUTES OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION MEETING**  
**April 1, 2024**

MINUTES OF THE COMMISSION MEETING OF THE OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, HELD APRIL 1, 2024, IN THE COMMISSION MEETING ROOM OF THE OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, 200 NE 21<sup>ST</sup> STREET, OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73105

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**ITEMS PRESENTED BY COMMISSION CHAIRMAN**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mr. Peterson called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

The following items were presented and approved as written at the Transportation Commission meeting April 1, 2024.

**ROLL CALL:**

<b>Present:</b>	Bob Peterson	Chairman
	David Dyson	Vice-Chairman
	Bob Coburn	Secretary
	Michael Junk	Member
	TW Shannon	Member
	James Grimsley	Member
	Steve LaForge	Member
	Bobby Alexander	Member
<b>Absent:</b>	Don Freymiller	Member
<b>Presiding:</b>	Bob Peterson	

Chairman Peterson thanked everyone for coming and recognized Bobby Stem, Executive Director of Association of General Contractors, Mike Patterson, former Director and Secretary of Transportation.

**ITEMS TO BE PRESENTED BY COMMISSION CHAIRMAN**

Call to Order

Roll Call – Commission Secretary

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS**

Presentation of the Governor’s Proclamation declaring April 15-19, 2024 as Work Zone Awareness Week in Oklahoma – Mr. Gatz

**ITEM TO BE PRESENTED BY THE SECRETARY TO THE COMMISSION**

**33. Approval of the Minutes of the Transportation Commission Meeting of March 4, 2024**

ACTION: LaForge moved and Dyson seconded that the Minutes be approved as presented.  
MOTION: Carried by the following vote:  
AYES: Coburn, Grimsley, Shannon, Dyson, LaForge, Junk, Peterson  
ABSTAIN: Alexander  
ABSENT: Freymiller

**CONSENT DOCKET TO BE PRESENTED BY COMMISSION CHAIRMAN**

**49. Land Sales – Mr. Phillips**

- a) District IV – Canadian County - \$4,356.00
- b) District VIII – Rogers County - \$6,100.00

ACTION: Shannon moved and Coburn seconded that the Consent Docket be approved as presented.  
MOTION: Carried by the following vote:  
AYES: Coburn, Grimsley, Shannon, Dyson, Alexander, LaForge, Junk, Peterson  
ABSTAIN:  
ABSENT: Freymiller

**END OF CONSENT DOCKET**

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**ITEMS TO BE PRESENTED BY DIRECTOR OF MULTIMODAL – Mr. Schwennesen**

**50. National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) Charging Infrastructure Contract Awards – Statewide – Off System - \$8,787,525.64**

The NEVI program was created by the Infrastructure Investment Jobs Act (IIJA) to assist states in the mandatory buildout of the nationwide electrical vehicle infrastructure. The State of Oklahoma issued a Request for Proposal to solicit bids for the construction, maintenance, and operation of EV charging infrastructure. ODOT is recommending approval of the successful bidders.

- a) Love's – I-40 Exit 287 - \$599,000.00
- b) Loves – I-40 Exit 140 - \$750,000.00
- c) Love's – I-40 Exit 200 - \$599,000.00
- d) Love's – I-44 Exit 5 - \$599,000.00
- e) Love's – I-35 Exit 186 - \$599,000.00
- f) Love's – I-40 Exit 221 - \$750,000.00
- g) Love's – I-35 Exit 157 - \$599,000.00
- h) Love's – I-40 Exit 166 - \$599,000.00
- i) Francis Energy LLC – I-35 Exit 1 - \$973,098.50
- j) Francis Energy LLC – I-40 Exit 308 - \$934,430.14
- k) Tesla Inc. – I-44 Exit 240 - \$599,999.00
- l) Tesla Inc – I-40 Exit 240B - \$585,999.00
- m) Tesla Inc – I-44 Exit 125B - \$599,999.00

ACTION: Grimsley moved and Alexander seconded that the Item be approved as presented.  
MOTION: Carried by the following vote:  
AYES: Coburn, Grimsley, Shannon, Dyson, Alexander, LaForge, Junk, Peterson  
ABSTAIN:  
ABSENT: Freymiller

**ITEMS TO BE PRESENTED BY DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING – Mr. Tegeler**

**51. Engineering Contracts**

- a) All Districts – Statewide – Provide On-Demand State Bridge Rehabilitation
  - CI-2477A Benham Design, LLC
  - CI-2477B CP&Y, Inc. dba STV Infrastructure
  - CI-2477C CONSOR Engineers, LLC
  - CI-2477D Freese and Nichols, Inc.
  - CI-2477E HNTB Corporation
  - CI-2477F Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc.
  - CI-2477G Purkeypile Engineering, LLC
  - CI-2477H Tetra Tech, Inc.
  - Total of eight (8) contracts not to exceed \$2,000,000.00
- b) All Districts – Statewide – Provide Site Adaptation, Engineering and Architectural Services
  - CI-2478 CEC Corporation \$2,000,000.00

ACTION: LaForge moved and Dyson seconded that the Item be approved as presented.  
MOTION: Carried by the following vote:  
AYES: Coburn, Grimsley, Shannon, Dyson, Alexander, LaForge, Junk, Peterson  
ABSTAIN:  
ABSENT: Freymiller

**52. Engineering Contract Supplements**

- a) All Districts – Statewide – Supplement 1 for On-Demand Land Surveying
  - CI-2430A Sky Survey, LLC
  - CI-2430B Carroll Surveying and Mapping, LLC
  - CI-2430C CEC Corporation
  - CI-2430D Frontier Land Surveying, LLC
  - CI-2430E Heartland Surveying & Mapping, PLLC
  - CI-2430F Bancroft Design, Inc.
  - CI-2430G Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, Inc.
  - CI-2430H Universal Surveying and Mapping, LLC
  - CI-2430I White Hawk Engineering & Design, LLC
  - Total of nine (9) contracts not to exceed \$6,750,000.00
  
- b) District I – Cherokee County – Supplement 4 for final construction plans for SH-10
  - EC-1867 Holloway, Updike and Bellen, Inc. \$339,900.00
  
- c) District I – Okmulgee County – Supplement 1 for final construction plans for US-75
  - CI-2087B CP&Y, Inc. dba STV Infrastructure \$39,750.00
  
- d) District I – Sequoyah County – Supplement 3 for final construction plans for US-59
  - EC-1324 Crafton, Tull & Associates, Inc. \$15,200.00

ACTION: Shannon moved and LaForge seconded that the Item be approved as presented.  
MOTION: Carried by the following vote:  
AYES: Coburn, Grimsley, Shannon, Dyson, Alexander, LaForge, Junk, Peterson  
ABSTAIN:  
ABSENT: Freymiller

**ITEMS TO BE PRESENTED BY CONSTRUCTION DIVISION ENGINEER – Mr. Leonard**

**53. Change Orders with Cumulative Total of \$75,000 or Less - Information Only**

- a) Alfalfa County - County Road - CIRB-202D(074)RB / 30467(04), \$21,280.00, 3.36%
- b) Alfalfa County - County Road - STP-202D(063)CI / 31127(04), \$5,090.00, 0.44%
- c) Alfalfa County - US-64 - STP-202C(064)(067)AD / 35169(04), \$8,875.76, 0.79%
- d) Caddo County - US-62 - NHPP-208N(115)AD / 33893(04), \$63,412.00, 11.43%
- e) Canadian County - SH-66 - HSIPG-209C(097)TR / 34752(04), \$23,417.88, 3.36%
- f) Choctaw County - SH-109 - STP-212C(064)PM / 27982(07), \$28,800.00, 0.58%
- g) Choctaw County - SH-109 - STP-212C(066)PM / 29618(04), \$64,422.56, 1.87%
- h) Cleveland County - SH-39 - STP-214B(115)PM / 24112(07), \$37,783.16, 0.24%
- i) Creek County - County Road - STP-219D(109)CI / 30473(04), \$8,510.50, 0.67%
- j) Custer County - County Road - STP-220D(086)CI / 33512(04), \$55,060.47, 7.97%
- k) Grant County - County Road - STP-227D(061)CI / 31221(04), \$6,521.00, 0.57%
- l) Jackson County - SH-6 - STP-233C(052)PM / 33742(04), \$14,743.79, 0.33%
- m) Jackson County - US-62 - NHPP-020N(054)AD / 34412(04), \$1,891.80, 0.23%
- n) Leflore County - SH-63 - SSR-240C(106)SR / 32965(04), \$57.52, -0.00% Underrun

- o) Love County - County Road - CIRB-243D(046)RB / 33537(04), \$7,672.59, 0.77%
  - p) Noble County - County Road - STP-252D(094)CI / 31949(04), \$2,103.58, 0.21%
  - q) Nowata County - US-60 - SSR-253C(067)SR / 33768(04), #1, \$440.00, 0.03%
  - r) Nowata County - US-60 - SSR-253C(067)SR / 33768(04), #2, \$11,773.47, 0.72%
  - s) Payne County - County Road - STP-260D(039)CI / 28717(04), \$6,655.39, 1.06%
  - t) Pontotoc County - SH-99 - STP-162B(150)PM / 23286(04), \$37,040.33, 0.30%
  - u) Pushmataha County - SH-3 - NHPP-264N(090)PM / 28007(07), \$20,487.85, 0.18%
  - v) Roger Mills County - US-283 - STP-065B(157)PM / 10094(04), \$347,671.33, -2.53%  
Underrun
  - w) Roger Mills County - SH-152 - STP-265C(023)PM / 29530(04), \$3,296.25, 0.03%
  - x) Rogers County - US-412 - NHPP-266N(106)PM / 30353(04), \$14,712.89, 0.11%
  - y) Washington County - US-60 - NHPP-018N(083)PM / 31086(04), \$32,150.00, 0.95%
- Total of Change Orders: \$128,412.42

**54. Change Orders with Cumulative Total Greater than \$75,000 - Mr. Leonard**

- a) Atoka County - SH-3 - NHPP-017N(148)PM / 20307(04), #5, \$448,873.33, 3.26%
- b) Atoka County - SH-3 - NHPP-017N(148)PM / 20307(04), #6, \$873,550.68, 6.35%
- c) Canadian County - SH-66 - HSIPG-209C(097)TR / 34752(04), \$62,334.15, 8.95%
- d) Dewey County - US-270 - NHPP-017N(077)PM / 17671(13), \$103,012.66, 0.81%
- e) Ellis County - SH-15 - NHPP-223N(014)FP / 29674(04), \$84,059.45, 0.86%
- f) Garvin County - I-35 - NHPPI-3500-(086)PM / 20970(08), \$175.40, -0.00% Underrun
- g) Latimer County - SH-1 - SSR-239C(048)(049)SR / 32785(04), \$261,687.50, 13.21%
- h) McIntosh County - US-266 - STP-246C(048)PM / 29724(04), \$129,133.88, 2.67%
- i) Oklahoma County - I-40 - NHPPI-0040-5(394)129SS / NHPPI-4000-(095)PM / 23310(04), \$60,482.26, 0.08%
- j) Oklahoma County - I-235 - SSP-2350(015)PM / 34744(04), \$222,357.00, 5.57%
- k) Oklahoma County - I-44 - STP-252F(088)PM / 35154(04), \$141,387.98, 3.29%
- l) Osage County - SH-99 - STP-257B(090)PM / 29686(04), \$95,757.74, 2.35%
- m) Payne County - SH-51 - STP-260B(043)PM / 27978(04), \$4,400.00, 0.04%
- n) Payne County - US-177 - STP-260B(056)PM / 29860(04), \$55,873.72, 0.32%
  
- o) Tulsa County - I-44 - SSP-4400(096)PM / SBR-4400(075)SB / 10981(05), \$392,000.00, 2.43%
- p) Tulsa County - I-244 - NHPPI-2440(049)(034)(042)(046)FP / 26301(05), \$158,338.57, 0.30%
- q) Tulsa County - SH-97 - STP-172B(461)PM / 26505(04), \$54,890.00, 0.21%
- r) Tulsa County - City Street - STP-272F(367)IG / 33955(04), \$11,201.00, 0.14%

- s) Tulsa County - SH-11 - SBR-028N(007)(008)SB / 34310(04), \$169,879.19, 9.97%
- t) Washington County - US-75 - NHPP-014N(122)AD / 35483(04), \$259,297.35, 26.43%
- u) Washita County - US-183 - NHPP-009N(061)PM / 17669(04), \$1,939,950.00, 8.77%

Total of Change Orders: \$5,528,291.06

ACTION: Junk moved and Coburn seconded that the Item be approved as presented.  
 MOTION: Carried by the following vote:  
 AYES: Coburn, Grimsley, Shannon, Dyson, Alexander, LaForge, Junk, Peterson  
 ABSTAIN:  
 ABSENT: Freymiller

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

**55. Reinstatement of Commission Prequalification Rule Okla. Admin. Code §730:25-3-1(o) – Statewide – Information Only**

At the July 2023 Transportation Commission meeting, the Commission, pursuant to agenda item 109, voted to suspend Prequalification Rule 730:25-3-1(o) for a period of six (6) months with the intention that the rule be reinstated after the six-month period. At the January 2024 Commission Meeting, pursuant to agenda item 11, the Commission upon recommendation by ODOT staff, voted to extend the suspension for an additional two months. This item is to inform the Commission that Prequalification Rule Okla. Admin. Code §730:25-3-1(o) has been reinstated by operation of the Commission’s January 2024 vote.

**ITEM TO BE PRESENTED BY THE COMPTROLLER DIVISION – Ms. Bryant**

**56. Proposed Bid Openings**

- a) Final May, 2024 Proposed Bid Opening
- b) Tentative June, 2024 Proposed Bid Opening
- c) Tentative July, 2024 Proposed Bid Opening

ACTION: Dyson moved and Junk seconded that the Item be approved as presented.  
 MOTION: Carried by the following vote:  
 AYES: Coburn, Grimsley, Shannon, Dyson, Alexander, LaForge, Junk, Peterson  
 ABSTAIN:  
 ABSENT: Freymiller

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

**57. Awards**

- a) March 14, 2024 – Regular Bid Opening
- b) March 21, 2024 – Regular Bid Opening

ACTION: Grimsley moved and Coburn seconded that the Item be approved as presented.  
 MOTION: Carried by the following vote:  
 AYES: Coburn, Grimsley, Shannon, Dyson, Alexander, LaForge, Junk, Peterson  
 ABSTAIN:  
 ABSENT: Freymiller

**ITEM TO BE PRESENTED BY THE DIRECTOR – Mr. Gatz**

**58. Director’s Report – Information Only**

Director Gatz began his report, addressing the Francis Scott Key bridge in Baltimore and acknowledged the tragedy behind this occurrence. Director Gatz discussed the Department's continued work on Oklahoma's bridge infrastructure system and reminded the Commission of the 2002 I-40 bridge hit, over the Arkansas River. At that time, Oklahoma had over a thousand structurally deficient bridges across the State and with the Department's consistent efforts, Oklahoma has less than fifty structurally deficient bridges. Director Gatz addressed the bridge impact on US-59 on March 30th and called on Justin Hernandez, ODOT's State Bridge Engineer to brief the Commission on the impact. Mr. Hernandez discussed the design of the US-59 bridge, over the Arkansas River, south of lock and dam 15 on the Kerr Reservoir. The bridge was designed with the 2000 American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) load-and resistance factor design (LRFD) bridge specifications for vessel collision. Hernandez continued by stating the bridge is a three-column arrangement with a heavy web wall to distribute load between all columns and if one column is hit, the load will be distributed, down to the bedrock foundation. The foundations are twelve-foot diameter drilled shafts with steel encasement and are nine and a half feet in diameter with a five by twenty two-foot-tall web wall between the columns. Hernandez assured the Commission that the inspection resulted in only superficial damage to the pier.

Director Gatz thanked the Commission for their consideration on the NEVI charging stations and addressed the importance of the program to manage the infrastructure system.

Director Gatz gave an update on the Solar Eclipse on April 8<sup>th</sup>, stating non-emergency maintenance activities and construction closures were paused, live traffic cameras were utilized to ensure the DriveOK app was able to report traffic conditions. Gatz advised the traveling public to take a paper map in the event of cell service going down and to be patient as traffic conditions are expected to be problematic.

Regarding safety, Director Gatz advised the Commission on the Safe Oklahoma Summit 2024 on April 17<sup>th</sup> at the Reed Conference Center in Oklahoma City. The second annual Summit will allow ODOT to explore solutions to the safety challenges and bring ODOT, contractors and first responders together to have these discussions. Registration is open via the ODOT website.

Director Gatz began his project updates with the bridge construction phased project over 141<sup>st</sup> Street in Glenpool that will include ramps and access roads. The \$41 million contract will first start with ramps and frontage roads, the bridge will follow. Gatz thanked District VIII and their engineering team for creating a phasing solution to alleviate the existing traffic volume issues at this intersection. Construction will start summer of 2024 and will take approximately a year to complete.

Director Gatz discussed the shoulder project on US-183 near Buffalo in District VI which is a part of the Department's efforts to add shoulders to rural two-lane roads.

Director Gatz also brought attention to the partnership project with Association of Central Oklahoma Governments (ACOG) and City of Norman that includes reconstruction, resurfacing and reconfiguring parking along Gray Street between Porter Avenue and University Boulevard. The businesses along the project route will remain open and accessible but will likely have an impact on traffic.

Director Gatz addressed the traveling public with traffic control changes to the existing six-lane on I-40 at Choctaw Road and traffic is expected to shift to new pavement on I-40 over the I-240 bridge over Anderson Road in Midwest City. Drivers will also be moved to a temporary roadway from Douglas Boulevard to the I-40/I-240 split as ODOT is to rebuild westbound I-40 to minimize disruptions to traffic. Westbound I-40 drivers can use a protected turnaround to access the Tinker gates without having to stop for traffic signals.

Lastly in the project updates, Gatz again, addressed a significant project that will have a major impact on traffic on I-235, just north of I-40. A joint rehabilitation project to address the bridges immediately north of I-40. I-35 traffic will blend with I-40 eastbound and westbound, enroute north on I-235 to then exit in the opposite direction. Gatz stressed the need to replace the bridge joints and recognizes the problematic work zone traffic this project will bring. The project will start in late April and ODOT has an early completion incentive in contract. The construction work zone will be difficult to navigate through and Gatz reminded drivers to slow down, be patient, alert and diligent.

In conclusion to the Director's report, Gatz reminds everyone to buckle up as we are headed into summer, prime travel season.

No Commission action required

#### **ITEM TO BE PRESENTED BY COMMISSION CHAIRMAN**

##### **59. Adjournment Motion**

ACTION: Shannon moved and Dyson seconded that the Item be approved as presented.  
MOTION: Carried by the following vote:  
AYES: Coburn, Grimsley, Shannon, Dyson, Alexander, LaForge, Junk, Peterson  
ABSTAIN:  
ABSENT: Freymiller

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Bob Peterson - Chairman



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David Dyson – Vice Chairman