



Motor Carrier Committee Membership Meeting Minutes

June 9, 2021 @ 9:00 am

POV Waterside Conference Room (via Zoom) – World Trade Center

MCC Liaison: Tom Christman

Welcome to the Motor Carrier meeting. I would like to remind everyone that the information presented this morning is the property of the Port of Virginia and shall not be reused without written permission. If you have questions during the webinar, please use the Question and Answer features on Zoom. Time permitting, we will address the questions. If we pass the 45-minute mark, the questions will be answered in the meeting minutes. I will now take a roll call of the membership and then turn the meeting over to Chairwoman Sapienza.

Membership Roll Call

Present:

Nicole Sapienza
Bob Eveleigh
Charles Glover
Ray Jalkio
Chris Columbus
Tommy White
Brooke Deems
Jacqueline Wilson for Dwayne Webb
Mathew Hayden
Jake Darrell (no audio available)

Absent:

Ronald Kemp
Stacey Gilliland
Bob McNichols
Tommy White
Marguerite Bates-Frier
Susie Gresham
Chris Thompson
George Berry

MCC Chair: Nicole Sapienza

Welcome everyone and thank you for attending the 3rd Motor Carrier Committee Meeting in 2021. Appreciate notification from Port of Virginia to provide gate hour extensions for the next three consecutive Saturdays. Saturdays have become a struggle as drivers have been sitting at NIT for hours. Systems issues have caused drivers to be delayed. Empties were routed to VIG causing additional usage, shortage of time. By no prior day reservation requirements hour-long reservation issues were eliminated. My job as the Chairwoman is to steer the meetings in the most productive direction. Recommends using TMTA TRAC System to enter problems that will go to the Pier Committee. Made Motion to approve April 2021 Minutes. Minutes approved.

Pier Committee Update – Bob Eveleigh

Discussion on operations of port facilities. Stated we have had weeks of smooth operations but the past week has been rough. We are taking in the TRAC submissions and addressing them with POV. Discussion topics include traffic, service, and systems issues and looking forward to genset, chassis, and container shortages. Improved experience on getting information out on extended Saturday Gate hours and expanded weekday gate hours at port terminals. Had a conversation with port staff on drivers, not following rules. Please advise if you have any questions or concerns? Happy to address them.

Outside the Gate Update – Barbara Nelson

Barbara Nelson, VP of Government Affairs and Transportation Policy at The Port of Virginia, provided an update on “Outside the Gate” efforts that the port is involved with to support growing the port’s market share and improving the velocity of freight to markets across the transportation system.

Ms. Nelson explained that the work of the Government Affairs team is accomplished through engagement with partners at the regional, state, and federal levels and she highlighted the following efforts: identifying highway projects to benefit freight in the Hampton Roads region in the HRTPO 2045 plan; planning for improvements to the Bowers Hill Interchange and the I-664 corridor to the MMBT; designing the Hampton Roads Express Lanes to accommodate the future utilization by trucks; the establishment of a statewide freight advisory committee to ensure the needs of freight are considered in plans and policy; and the New Start designation and \$83.7 million funding recommendation in the President’s budget to Congress.

POV Stats –SEE ATTACHED POWERPOINT

Sales & Forecast – Tom Capozzi

Operations – Vance Griffin

Terminal Reservation Systems – Mark Higgins

HRCP II – Art Ellermann

Chairwoman Closing Statements – Nicole Sapienza

Thank you for attending the meeting this morning. The next Motor Carrier Membership Meeting will be held at 9:00 am August 11, 2021. Asked membership what format would they like to see for future meetings?

The meeting was adjourned at 9:46 am.

