

AT A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY, VIRGINIA HELD ON THE 29th DAY OF OCTOBER 2002, AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE BOARD CHAMBERS, MONTGOMERY COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER, 755 ROANOKE STREET, CHRISTIANSBURG, VIRGINIA:

PRESENT:	Mary W. Biggs	-Chair
	John A. Muffo	-Supervisors
	Annette S. Perkins	
	C.P. Shorter	
	Jeffrey D. Johnson	-County Administrator
	L. Carol Edmonds	-Assistant County Administrator
	Martin M. McMahon	-County Attorney
	Robert C. Parker	-Public Information Officer
	Vickie L. Swinney	-Secretary

ABSENT:	Larry N. Rush	-Vice Chairman
	Gary D. Creed	-Supervisors
	James D. Politis	

WELCOME

The Chair welcomed the Virginia Department of Transportation representatives and the Town of Blacksburg and Town of Christiansburg’s council members and staff to the Montgomery County Government Center. The Virginia Department of Transportation requested a meeting be held between the Virginia Department of Transportation, the Town of Blacksburg, the Town of Christiansburg and Montgomery County to discuss the Metropolitan Planning Organization. At this time, the Chair turned the meeting over to the Virginia Department of Transportation.

METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

Jennifer DeBruhl, Community Planning, Federal Highway Agency, gave a presentation on the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). Ms. Debruhl explained that the Census Bureau designated Montgomery

County as an MPO. An MPO serves a region with urbanized population greater than 50,000. Therefore, Montgomery County, the Towns of Blacksburg and Christiansburg will need to conduct a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process. This will result in plans and programs considering all transportation modes and supports metropolitan community development and social goals. Currently, the County and Towns are planning individual transportation goals and the MPO will combine the planning process.

Ms. DeBruhl explained the process of the MPO and stated that new MPO regions, such as Montgomery County, have 12 months to establish an MPO. She explained the timeline and procedures.

A question and answer period followed Ms. Debruhl's presentation.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.