COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

Commonwealth Transportation Board

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Agenda item # 6

RESOLUTION
OF THE
COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD

July 22, 2026

MOTION

Made By: Mr. Good**, Seconded By:** Mr. Payne

Action: Motion Carried, Unanimously

Title: Highway Naming: "Sheriff Edwin Butler Memorial Highway"

WHEREAS, in accordance with § 33.2-213 of the *Code of Virginia*, the Alleghany County Board of Supervisors has requested, by resolution dated May 5, 2026, that the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB), to honor and memorialize the life and service to his community of Sheriff Edwin Butler, name Route 625, Dolly Ann Drive, from the City of Covington/Alleghany County line, to the end of state maintenance, 165 feet east of Valleybrook Lane, Alleghany County, as the "Sheriff Edwin Butler Memorial Highway"; and

WHEREAS, Alleghany County, by resolution dated May 5, 2026, has agreed to be responsible for payment of all sign costs billed by the Virginia Department of Transportation calling attention to this naming, which will include the costs to produce, place, and maintain the signs; and

WHEREAS, § 33.2-213 provides that VDOT shall place and maintain appropriate signs indicating the names of highways, bridges, interchanges, and other transportation facilities named by the CTB and requires that the costs of producing, placing, and maintaining such signs shall be paid by the localities in which they are located or by the private entity whose name is attached to the transportation facility so named.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to § 33.2-213 of the *Code of Virginia*, the CTB hereby names Route 625, Dolly Ann Drive, from the City of Covington/Alleghany County line, to the end of state maintenance, 165 feet east of Valleybrook Lane, Alleghany County, as the "Sheriff Edwin Butler Memorial Highway".

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that VDOT is directed to produce, place, and maintain the signs calling attention to this naming, and secure payment from Alleghany County for these costs as required by law.

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CTB Decision Brief

Highway Naming: "Sheriff Edwin Butler Memorial Highway"

Issue: Commemorative naming, at the request of Alleghany County, of Route 625, Dolly Ann Drive, from the City of Covington/Alleghany County line to the end of state maintenance, 165 feet east of Valleybrook Lane, Alleghany County, as the "Sheriff Edwin Butler Memorial Highway".

Facts: The Alleghany County Board of Supervisors enacted a resolution on May 5, 2026, to honor and memorialize the life and service to his community Sheriff Edwin Butler.

According to that resolution, Sheriff Butler was duly elected as Sheriff by the citizens of Alleghany County in 1920 and served in that capacity until his death.

On August 9, 1922, Sheriff Butler was shot in the line of duty while attempting to arrest John Adams, who fled the scene and was later captured after firing upon Sheriff Butler.

On August 12, 1922, Sheriff Edwin Butler succumbed to the fatal wounds he received in the line of duty.

Action Required by CTB: The *Code of Virginia* requires a majority of the CTB members to approve a resolution naming a highway or bridge, as appropriate. A resolution will be provided for the Board's consideration.

Result if Approved: Route 625, Dolly Ann Drive, from the City of Covington/Alleghany County line to the end of state maintenance, 165 feet east of Valleybrook Lane, Alleghany County, will be known as the "Sheriff Edwin Butler Memorial Highway". In accordance with law, and by resolution dated May 5, 2026, Alleghany County agrees to pay the costs of producing, placing, and maintaining the signs calling attention to this naming.

Options: Approve**,** Deny, or Defer.

Public Comments/Reactions: VDOT has not received any public comments on this proposal.

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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF ALLEGHANY
Covington, Virginia

At a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors, Alleghany County, Virginia held on Tuesday, May 5, 2026 at 7:00 P.M., in the Board Room of the County Governmental Complex thereof, the following action was taken:

MEMBERS:	VOTE:
G. Matt Garten, Chairman	YES
James M. Griffith, Vice-Chairman	YES
Stephen A. Bennett	YES
S. Miller Brantley	ABSENT
Shannon P. Cox	YES
Courtney F. Howard	YES
Cletus W. Nicely	YES

On motion of Mr. Griffith, seconded by Mr. Bennett, that the following resolution be adopted:

Highway Naming of Route 625 "Dolly Ann Drive"
from the City of Covington/Alleghany County Line to the End of
State Maintenance (165' East of Valleybrook Lane - Private Road)
as the "Sheriff Edwin Butler Memorial Highway"

WHEREAS, Sheriff Edwin Butler was shot in the line of duty on August 9, 1922 and subsequently died of his wounds on August 12, 1922; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Edwin Butler was attempting to arrest John Adams, who fled the scene and was later captured after firing the fatal shots at Sheriff Butler; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Edwin Butler was duly elected by the citizens of Alleghany County in 1920 and served in that capacity until his death; and

WHEREAS, Section 33.2-213 of the *Code of Virginia* authorizes the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) to give suitable names to state highways, bridges, interchanges, and other transportation facilities and change the names of any highways, bridges, interchanges, or other transportation facilities forming a part of the systems of state highways; and

WHEREAS, Section 33.2-213 provides that the Virginia Department of Transportation shall place and maintain appropriate signs indicating the names of highways, bridges, interchanges, and other transportation facilities named by the CTB and requires that the costs of producing, placing, and maintaining such signs shall be paid by the localities in which they are located.

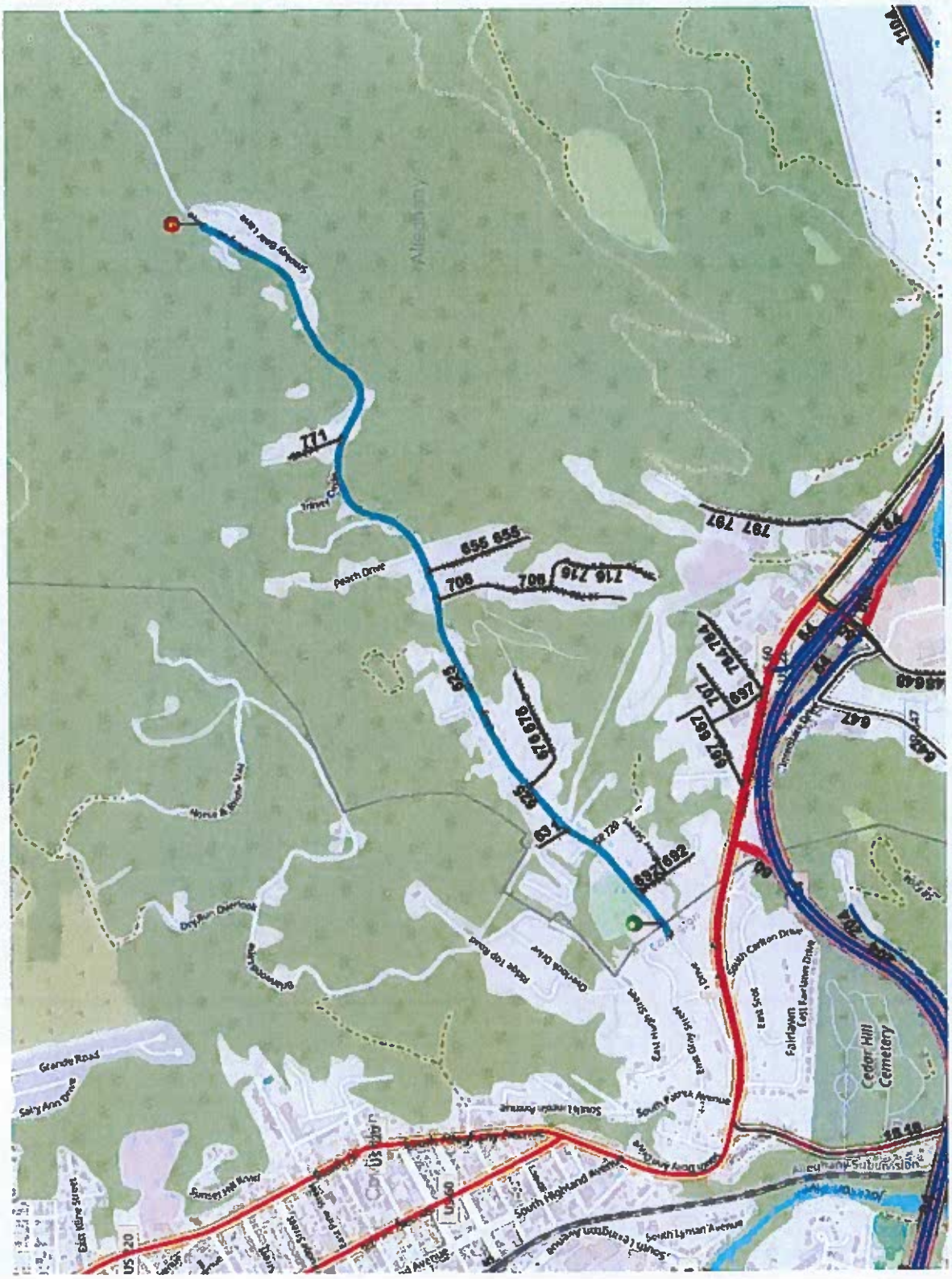
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Alleghany County, in accordance with Section 33.2-213 of the *Code of Virginia*, does hereby request that the CTB name the 1.785 mi. segment of highway on Route 625 "Dolly Ann Drive" from the City of Covington/Alleghany County line to the End of State Maintenance (165 feet east of Valleybrook Lane - private road) the "Sheriff Edwin Butler Memorial Highway".

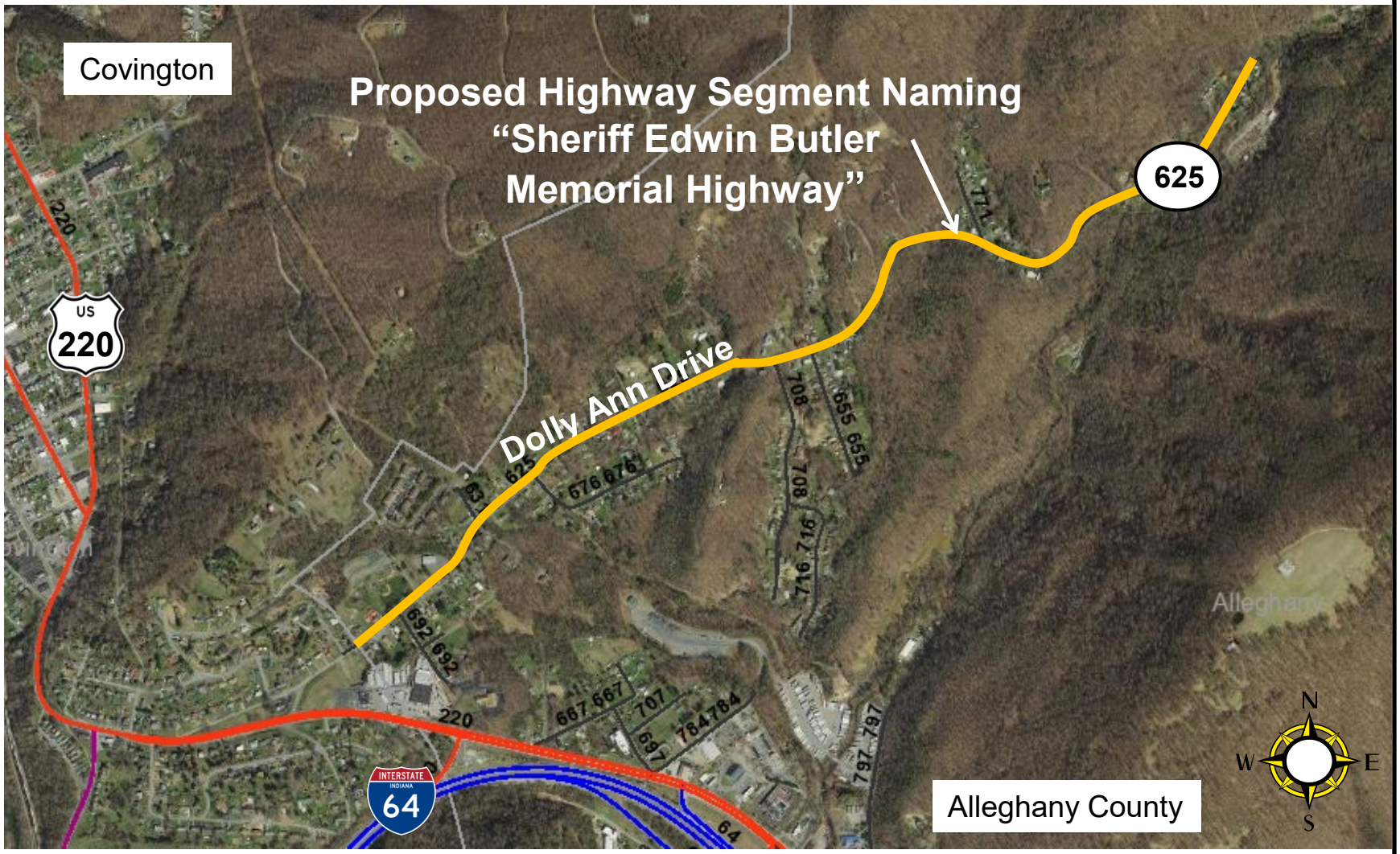
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Alleghany County agrees to pay the costs of producing, placing, and maintaining the signs calling attention to this naming.

Unanimously adopted.

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Melissa A. Munsey
Deputy Clerk to the Board


Peach Drive
South Carlton Drive
Fairlawn Drive
Cedar Hill Cemetery
Grande Road
Sally Ann Drive
Dry Run Overlook
Horse & Rider Trail
Glenwood Lane
Ridge Top Road
Overlook Drive
South Lyman Avenue
South Highland Avenue
Sunset Hill Road
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VDOT
Virginia Department of Transportation
Maintenance Division
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Alleghany County

Proposed Highway Segment Naming:

"Sheriff Edwin Butler Memorial Highway"