

Chairman Curran provided an update on the Road Naming Committee. A resolution for Deputy Julian Powers will be brought before the Board for approval in October.

RESOLUTION FOR DEL McCOURY

Upon the recommendation of the Road Naming Committee, a motion was made by Board Member Brown, seconded by Board Member Overholt, to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Blue Ridge Heritage Music Trails strives to recognize the contribution of musicians of Southern Appalachian; and

WHEREAS, Del McCoury's parents were natives of Mitchell County and he has family roots deep in Western North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, Del McCoury has had a long career in bluegrass and over the last fifty years he has made an enormous contribution to the music industry; and

WHEREAS, in October 2003 Del McCoury became a member of the Grand Ole Opry and in 2006 he won his first Grammy Award for the Best Bluegrass Album; and

WHEREAS, in June 2010, McCoury received a lifetime achievement award from the National Endowment for the Arts in the field of folk and traditional arts, including a stipend of \$25,000; and

WHEREAS, Del McCoury has won 31 International Bluegrass Music Association Awards, including Entertainer of the Year four consecutive times. McCoury has also won IBMA Male Vocalist of the Year four times; and

WHEREAS, the Mitchell County Board of Commissioners request the North Carolina Board of Transportation designate a section of Highway 261 honoring Del McCoury.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the North Carolina Board of Transportation name North Carolina Highway 261 beginning at 652 North Carolina Highway 261 and ending at 5695 North Carolina Highway 261 the ***Del McCoury Highway***.

That appropriate signs be erected at a suitable time.

Adopted, this the fifth day of September 2013 by the North Carolina Board of Transportation.


Chairman


Secretary of Transportation