

Spartanburg County Transportation Committee
MINUTES
APRIL 21, 2011
6:00 P.M.
COUNTY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
SPARTANBURG COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE BUILDING
366 NORTH CHURCH STREET, SPARTABURG, SC 29303

A public meeting of the Spartanburg County Transportation Committee was held on Thursday, April 21, 2011, at 6:00 p.m. in County Council Chambers, Spartanburg County Administrative Office Building. Chairman Billy Painter presided. The following members were present: Tom Arthur, Steve Belue, Steve McAbee, Chet Morris, Hal Murphy, John Throckmorton, and Bob Walker

In compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, notices of this meeting were mailed in advance to county officials, local news media, citizens, and other interested persons.

Item # 1 - Approval of January 20, 2011 meeting minutes

John Throckmorton moved to approve the January 20, 2011 meeting minutes as printed and mailed. Steve McAbee seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Item # 2 - Financial Report – Mrs. Pam Agudelo

In the absence of Mrs. Pam Agudelo, Carol Crowe reported the total unobligated funds as of March 31, 2011 were \$1,182,302.44. There are four more months of user fees to be received in this fiscal year. A closed project list for the fiscal year ending 06/30/2011 was attached to the financial report. The dollars associated with the closed projects have been returned to the general C fund account.

Item # 3 - Update on active projects – Mr. Todd Carroll

The Overhead Road Bridge trusses have been installed with the concrete deck to be poured next week.

The Ezell Bridge trusses have been installed on the bridge deck and in two weeks the concrete deck should be poured.

The DOT is still looking at the plans of Reidville Road at Gano Drive and Dillard Road left turn lanes. The County is still waiting to hear back from the DOT regarding the plans.

Todd Carroll is reviewing the plans for the Westmoreland Road widening and returning them to the engineering firm.

Todd Carroll is still working with 70% plans on the Keltner Avenue and Cedar Springs drainage project.

The Runion Road Bridge replacement construction is complete.

The plans and specs are being worked on for the Hillbrook Circle sidewalk project in Pacolet.

Item # 4 – Recommended projects from Advisory Committee – Steve Belue

a. Representative Mitchell’s set-aside project request to upgrade the intersection of College and Howard Street to ADA standards @ \$48,436

This project is to upgrade the sidewalks to the ADA standards at College and Howard Street in the City of Spartanburg.

Tom Arthur moved to approve the funding for the project in the amount of \$48,436. John Throckmorton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

b. Representative Derham Cole’s remaining set-aside project request to improve Partridge Road in the City of Spartanburg @ \$29,280

This project is to re-align the curve on Partridge Road in the City of Spartanburg.

John Throckmorton moved to approve funding for the project in the amount of \$29,280. Chet Morris seconded the motion. The motion carried.

c. Representative Doug Brannon set-aside project request to repair the sidewalk on Pickens Street in the City of Chesnee @ \$14,563

This project is to repair the sidewalk on Pickens Street from the Southside Church on the corner of Highway 221 on Pickens Street to the end of the sidewalk in the City of Chesnee.

Steve McAbee moved to approve funds in the amount of \$14,563 to repair the Pickens Street sidewalk in the City of Chesnee. John Throckmorton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

d. Representative Steve Parker set-aside project request to construct an island and install a Stop Sign @ \$12,185.75

This request is set-aside funds from Representative Parker to construct an island and install a Stop Sign at the intersection of Springfield Road at Valley Falls Road. This intersection is below Sherman College. There is a wide pie-shaped median. Frequently, motorists tear down the stop sign. Hopefully, constructing the island will prevent this from happening.

The amount allocated was \$12,185.75, but the bids came in from an on-call state contractor at \$3,500.

John Throckmorton moved to approve \$3,500 to construct the island and install a Stop Sign at the intersection of Springfield Road at Valley Falls Road. Steve McAbee seconded the motion. The motion carried.

e. Town of Lyman Drainage Improvement project @ \$102,700

The Town of Lyman is willing to contribute \$80,000 of Road Fee money, Representative Allison will contribute \$40,000 of her set-aside funds toward the project in July, 2011, and the Town of Lyman is requesting \$102,700 to correct this serious drainage problem.

Mike Garrett explained the drainage problem is to the west of the old Pacific Mill. The drainage basin is about thirty-five acres. It heads up on the east side of Groce Road around Elliott Street in a westerly direction across Groce Road down to the mill village down into an old antiquated piping system that was installed by the mill and discharges into the right-of-way of a Southern Railroad spur up to the old mill, runs down a ditch and crosses over that railroad right-of-way into an ally area into people's private property. It is a very serious drainage problem causing property damage.

The solution is to construct an intersector storm drain that runs parallel to the railroad spur, with thirty-six (36) inch piping, 1800 to 1900 feet of pipe to pick that water up before it gets into the homes and pipe it on down Spartanburg Road to discharge the water into a creek below the properties.

The water floods the roadway and gets under about twenty plus houses.

The total cost of the project is \$220,700. Mike Garrett will be project manager of the project.

Tom Arthur moved to approve \$102,700 of funding to correct this drainage problem in the Town of Lyman. Steve McAbee seconded the motion. The motion carried.

f. Dairy Ridge Road Bridge overrun @ \$17,467

There is a \$45,000 overrun on the \$1.2M Dairy Ridge Road Bridge project. The CTC Advisory committee voted to split the cost of the overrun. The ratio of the split calculated out to C Funds contributing \$17,467 with Road Fee funding contributing \$27,533.

Hal Murphy moved to approve \$17,467 for the C Fund portion of the cost overrun. The motion was seconded and approved.

g. CTC/County annual fiscal year contract \$264,000

The annual CTC/County contract is up for renewal for the next fiscal year.

Tom Arthur moved to approve \$264,000 of funding for the next fiscal year contract with the County. Chet Morris seconded the motion. The motion carried.

h. Speed Hump Policy

The Spartanburg County Transportation Committee (CTC) will not fund any Speed Humps in Spartanburg County. This includes County, State, Municipal, Private or any other types of road within the county.

John Throckmorton moved to approve the new Speed Hump Policy as presented. Steve McAbee seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Item # 6 - Old Business

Other than the annual resurfacing which was approved in the January 2011 meeting, the County has received a grant from Council of Government (COG) in the amount of \$472,000. In the fall, another \$272,000 will be awarded for resurfacing additional roadways in Spartanburg County.

Item # 7 - New Business

There was no new business discussed.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned.

Mr. Billy Painter, Chairman

Carol Crowe, Attested