

Spartanburg County Transportation Committee
MINUTES
JULY 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, July 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, Sam Evatt, Tony Gillespie, Ed Memmott, 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 April 21, 2011 meeting minutes

John Throckmorton moved to approve the April 21, 2011 meeting minutes as printed and mailed. Sam Evatt seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Item # 2 - Financial Report – Mrs. Pam Agudelo

Mrs. Pam Agudelo reported the total unobligated funds as of June 30, 2011 were \$1,625,059.12 which is made up of funds carried over from last fiscal year and funds collected thus far this year. As of this report May and June user fees have not been received.

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

Overhead and Ezell bridges have been completed.

The left turn lanes on Reidville Road at Gano Drive and Dillard Road are being reviewed by the SC Department of Transportation.

The right-of-way is being acquired for the Westmoreland road widening project.

Bids will be advertised on August 4th for the Keltner Avenue and Cedar Springs drainage projects.

The SC Department of Transportation is reviewing the plans for the Cowpens Streetscape project.

The budget for Overhead and Ezell bridges came in under budget.

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

a. Representative Doug Brannon set-aside for sidewalk repairs on Highway 11 in City of Chesnee @ 14,563.00

This is a delegation set-aside request. The CTC had approved these funds at the previous meeting for sidewalks to be repaired on Pickens Street at Highway 221 in the City of Chesnee. Before the work was started, SC Department of Transportation came in and repaired the sidewalks. Therefore this request is to close the Pickens Street sidewalk repair project and approve the funding for sidewalk repairs on Highway 11 at East and West Cherokee Street in the City of Chesnee.

Tom Arthur moved to close the Pickens Street Sidewalk repair project. The motion was seconded and approved.

Tom Arthur moved to approve funding not to exceed \$14,563 for sidewalk improvements on East and West Cherokee Street in the City of Chesnee. John Throckmorton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

b. School District 5, Shoals Road @ \$64,737.92

This is a nine year old intersection improvement project. Originally the project was approved with C Fund dollars, School District Five funding, and SPATS federal matching monies. Pam Agudelo noticed an outstanding balance of \$129,475.83.

Right-of-way property for the completion of the project was not obtained properly by School District Five for SPATS federal dollars to be awarded to the project. After lengthy investigations of said property, negotiations began resulting in School District Five committing to paying half of the outstanding balance in the amount of \$64,737.92, leaving an outstanding balance of \$64,737.92.

Tom Arthur made a motion to increase the original funding by \$64,737.92 to cover the other half of the outstanding balance. Tony Gillespie seconded the motion. The motion was approved and the project will be closed out.

c. Miller Farm Road @ 292 Intersection Improvements @ \$7,992.00

This project is located at exit 10 off I-26 and Highway 292. The intersection is very narrow. Commercial buildings are located in the area therefore heavy truck traffic use the intersection. The SCDOT and Steve Belue met at the sight of the project with the SCDOT agreeing to supply the piping for the project. The Advisory committee recommended approval of the project to widening the intersection.

John Throckmorton moved to approve \$7,922.00 to improve the Miller Farm Road @ Highway 292 intersection. Ed Memmott seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

d. Foster Road Culvert Replacement @ \$64,000

This is a narrow culvert located on Foster Road in the northern part of Spartanburg County. Road Fee funds has budgeted \$96,000 for the project. Another \$64,000 is needed in order to replace the culvert. This project is at the top of the ranking list.

Sam Evatt moved to approve \$64,000 to replace the culvert on Foster Road. John Throckmorton seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

e. Old Petrie Road @ Country Club Road Intersection Improvements @ \$250,000 plus Representative Derham Cole, Jr. set-aside for 2011/2012 @ \$49,280

Old Petrie Road at Country Club Road is an intersection improvement project. Old Petrie Road comes in at a bad angle. Motorists look over their right shoulder to check on oncoming vehicles. The plans are to widen the intersection with Shoemaker Place. The cost estimate was \$300,000. Representative Derham Cole has allocated his set-aside funds in the amount of \$49,280 to the project, leaving a balance of \$250,000, which the Advisory Committee recommended to approve.

Mr. John Throckmorton moved to approve \$250,000 of C funds and \$49,280 of Rep. Cole's set-aside funds to widen the intersection located at Old Petrie Road and Country Club Road. Mr. Sam Evatt seconded the motion. The motion carried.

f. Representative Rita Allison set-aside for 2011/2012 Drainage problem in the area of Groce Road, Elliott Street and Spartanburg Road in Town of Lyman @ \$40,000

This drainage problem was reviewed and funding was approved at the previous meeting in the amount of \$102,700. Representative Allison's set-aside funding was not available until after July 1, therefore \$40,000 of her set-aside funds is being requested at this time.

Mr. Tom Arthur moved to approve \$40,000 of Representative Allison's set-aside funds to help correct the drainage problem in the area of Groce Road, Elliott Street and Spartanburg Road in the Town of Lyman. Mr. Tony Gillespie seconded the motion. The motion carried.

g. SC Department of Transportation to help resurface three roadways in Spartanburg County @ \$180,618.77

In the last CTC Advisory committee meeting, the SC Department of Transportation asked for \$180,618.77 to go toward their annual asphalt resurfacing. The committee approved three roads for the DOT to asphalt back in November. After the estimate was calculated, the DOT discovered they would

be coming up short \$180,618.77 to complete the project. The original amount of funding approved was \$709,000.00.

Mr. Bob Walker moved to approve \$180,618.77 for the SC Department of Transportation to complete their annual asphalt resurfacing of roadways. Mr. John Throckmorton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Item # 5 - Old Business

The SC Department of Transportation has submitted a letter informing the CTC that the SC DOT Commissioners has concurred with resolutions from the General Assembly naming three (3) facilities in Spartanburg County as follows:

“Roger Milliken Interchange” names the interchange located at the intersection of I-85 Business and I-585

“Thomas Rice, Jr. Avenue” names Highland Avenue in the City of Spartanburg
and

“J. C. Stroble Boulevard” names the portion of West Henry Street in the City of Spartanburg from its intersection with South Church Street to its intersection with John B. White Boulevard.

In accordance with current law, expenses incurred in the fabrication and placement of dedication signs or marker must be paid from “C” Funds. Therefore, the SCDOT is requesting approval of the CTC for a lump sum payment of \$1,500.00.

Mr. Sam Evatt moved to approve \$1,500.00 for the fabrication and placement of these mentioned signs. Mr. John Throckmorton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Item # 6 - New Business

Election of Chairman, and Vice Chairman

Mr. Sam Evatt made a motion that officers be kept the same i.e., Mr. Billy Painter as Chairman, and Mr. Tom Arthur as Vice Chairman. The motion was seconded and approved.

Mr. Tom Arthur recommended a list of outstanding approved projects be presented with each financial statement. Ms. Pam Agudelo agreed to do so.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned.

Mr. Billy Painter, Chairman

Carol Crowe, Attested