

***Spartanburg County Transportation Committee***  
**MINUTES**  
**JULY 16, 2009**  
**6:00 P.M.**  
**COUNTY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
**SPARTANBURG COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE BUILDING**

A public meeting of the Spartanburg County Transportation Committee was held on Thursday, July 16, 2009, 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, Sam Evatt, Mike Garrett, William Hamilton, Ed Memmott, Hal Murphy, and Hubert Waldrop.

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 16, 2009 meeting minutes**

Mr. Tom Arthur moved to approve the April 16, 2009 meeting minutes as printed and mailed. Mr. Hal Murphy seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**Item # 2 - Financial Report – Mrs. Sabrina Dickens Mason**

Mrs. Sabrina Mason reported the total unobligated funds as of June 30, 2009 were \$2,846,754.76. This includes user fees and interest through May. The donor county funds have also been received in the amount of \$1,106,233.90. The only project that has not been set up is the Overhead Bridge Road bridge replacement at \$733,000.00.

**Item # 3 - Update on active projects – Mr. Eddie Speed**

The Cherry Hill Road at Old Converse Road project has been completed. The state will still need to place their stamp of approval on the project.

The Fairforest Road project was completed considerably under budget.

The US 29 at Zion Hill Road project is complete except for replacing a sign.

The Highway 9 at Lake Bowen Dam Road project was taken over by the SCDOT as stimulus funding will be used for the project.

The Cannon Campground at Gossett Road intersection improvement project is subject to cancellation due to drainage easement right-of-way problems. The project is subject to a minor drainage problem but no safety issues exist.

Mr. Tom Arthur moved to cancel the Cannon Campground at Gossett Road intersection improvement project (09018) at \$505,000. The approved funding will revert to the general C funds for use on future projects. Mr. Hal Murphy seconded the motion. The motion carried.

There are sixteen parcels of right-of-way to purchase on the Shoally Creek Road widening project. Contact has been made with some of the owners of the properties.

Plans are in the office for the Highway 176 at Windmill Hill Road project. There are three parcels of right-of-way properties required to be purchased.

The Overhead Bridge replacement is being worked on in conjunction with the Ezell Bridge which is strictly a Road Maintenance Fee project. Three different consultants have been contacted to identify the type of bridge needed and a ruff engineering cost estimate. Mr. Speed received three different bridge engineering types estimating to cost from \$98,000 to \$186,000. A meeting is scheduled for Monday to review and decide which type of bridge to construct. The three different consultants will be contacted again requesting a different scope of work to be performed. All three consultants have contacted CSX. Transystems has an office across the street from CSX in Jacksonville. CSX is contemplating installing another line through there to Tennessee. Therefore, a single span bridge between 90 and 100 feet will be required. The bridges have a bad skew. The S curve will be taken out of one of the bridges, possibly both of them to help make them safer.

#### **Item # 4 – Recommended projects from Advisory Committee – Mike Garrett**

##### **a. Intersection Improvements at Seay Road and SC 9 - \$200,000**

SCDOT has project plans to widen Highway 9 in two different phases. This project will improve the intersection of Seay Road at SC 9 by a new location to create a T intersection at SC 9. Three lanes will be constructed at the intersection. A traffic signal will be installed by SCDOT. Right-of-way will be donated by the property owner Roger Fisher. The project is estimated to cost approximately \$200,000. The Advisory Committee is recommending the project be approved.

Mr. Hugh Waldrop moved to approve the project at \$200,000. Mr. Tom Arthur seconded the motion. The motion carried.

##### **b. Widen Fairwinds Road from the BiLo to the bridge at Waste treatment plant - \$75,000**

This project is to widen Fairwinds Road just off Highway 14 near the BiLo to the Spartanburg Sanitary Sewer treatment plant. The right-of-way has been donated by the property owners. The roadway will be widened two feet on each side at a estimated cost of \$75,000. The Advisory Committee is recommending the project be approved.

Mr. Ed Memmott moved to approve the project at \$75,000. Mr. Hamilton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**c. School District 2, Intersection Improvements at Rainbow Lake Road and River Oak Road - \$300,000**

School District 2 is building a new school and will widen the road and improve the intersection to accommodate projected traffic generated by the school at an estimated cost of \$1M for the improvements. The School District is asking the CTC to provide \$300,000 to support the construction effort. This conforms to CTC school policy, as a traffic impact study has been by the county transportation planner.

Mr. Tom Arthur moved to approve \$300,000 to improve the intersection at Rainbow Lake Road and River Oak Road to accommodate traffic generated by a new District 2 school. Mr. Sam Evatt seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**d. City of Inman, Compton Bridge road sidewalks**

The City of Inman is requesting to transfer two previously approved delegation set-aside funds as complications have occurred and the projects will need to be put on hold. The projects funds to be transferred were originally for sidewalk repair as well as milling and resurfacing of Mills Avenue.

The City of Inman is requesting the funding from these two projects be transferred to construct sidewalks on Compton Bridge Road. The sidewalks will begin at Park Street and end at the new Chapman High School. The 2006 cost estimate was \$386,000. The City of Inman has applied for a transportation enhancement grant and is requesting these funds be used as their matching portion of the grant. Both of the approved projects amount to \$135,000.

Mr. William Hamilton moved to close out the two previously approved projects. Mr. Hugh Waldrop seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Mr. William Hamilton moved to allocate the \$135,000 to construct sidewalks on Compton Bridge Road from Park Street to the new Chapman High School. Mr. Tom Arthur seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**e. Dairy Ridge Road Bridge bids**

The Dairy Ridge Road Bridge bids have been opened earlier in the month. The bids came in higher than anticipated for constructing the bridge. The anticipated estimated cost for constructing the bridge was around \$700,000.00. The funding in place for the project to be constructed is \$250,000 from the State of South Carolina, Spartanburg County Road Fee at \$456,000, and C funds at \$294,000 which

includes two years of Representative Littlejohn's set-aside funds totaling \$1M. The Advisory Committee is recommending that the C Fund committee approve one-half of the \$215,000 at \$107,500 with the additional \$107,500 to come from County Road Fee funding.

Mr. Sam Evatt moved to approve \$107,500 additional monies to construct the Dairy Road Ridge Bridge. Mr. Hal Murphy seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**f. CTC/County Contract - \$264,000**

The County of Spartanburg has managed the C Fund projects for approximately ten years. The annual 2010 renewal contract agreement has not been modified in the last three years.

Mr. Sam Evatt moved to continue the agreement with Spartanburg County at \$264,000. Mr. Tom Arthur seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**g. Annual Administrative Funds - \$2,000**

The C Funds code of laws annually permits \$2,000 administrative funds for office supplies.

Mr. Ed Memmott moved to approve the funding at \$2,000. Mr. William Hamilton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**Item # 6 - Old Business**

No old business was discussed.

**Item # 7 - New Business**

**a. Election of Chairman and vice Chairman for a two year term**

Mr. Sam Evatt moved to keep the officers as is. Currently, Mr. Billy Painter serves as Chairman, and Mr. Tom Arthur serves as Vice Chairman. Mr. Hugh Waldrop seconded the motion. The motion carried.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned.

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Mr. Billy Painter, Chairman

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Carol Crowe, Attested