Spartanburg County Transportation Committee

MINUTES
Thursday, January 21, 2021
VIRTUAL MEETING

Due to the COVID-19 Impact, a public virtual meeting of the Spartanburg County Transportation Committee was held on Thursday, January 21, 2021, at 5:30 p.m. Regular meeting was conducted with remote participation. Chairman John Throckmorton presided.

In compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, notices of this meeting were mailed and emailed in advance to county officials, local news media, citizens and other interested parties. The virtual meeting for public viewing was accessible at the following web address: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC7qgyyNDZ0uuyo_g7qCsoCw?view= subscriber

The following members were present: John Throckmorton; Travis Brown; Chris Story; Trey Blackwood; Vic Bailey, IV; Kyle Owing; Dean Anderson; Will Gramling. The following members were absent: Doug Cobb; Ed Humphries.

Call to Order – John Throckmorton, Chairman

1. Approval of Minutes for October 15, 2020

   Motion was made by Chris Story. Second was made by Will Gramling. Motion carried.


   Total Unobligated Funds As Of December 31, 2020: $4,634,443.53
   Funds Available after FY21 Liabilities $229,443.53
   Gas Tax for FY 2021- $4,680,300 2,730,175
   Donor County Funds - -
   Total Estimated Revenue: $2,730,175.00

3. Project Status Report – Billy Martin

   Active project status report as of January 21, 2021.

   120185  PACOLET RIVER GATEWAY ROUNDABOUT
   Out for bids.
   130105  PACOLET RIVER GATEWAY PROJECT
   Ron Kirby states that bids are back in 2 weeks ago and the numbers are excellent. Plenty of money to get project finished. Working on a current package for DOT, once approved will put out for contract. Hopefully next meeting we will be under construction.
17006S   PACOLET RIVER GATEWAY PROJECT Set-a-sides Tallon/Brannon
Out for bids.
18010S   PACOLET RIVER GATEWAY PROJECT Set-a-side Tallon
Out for bids.
19009S   PACOLET RIVER GATEWAY SETASIDE TALLON
Out for bids.
15006L   PHASE 1 OF 4TH STREET WIDENING
Ron Kirby states we are working with the last property owner to purchase final track
of land. It is the old mill site. We have identified 25,000 yards of dirt. This should go
out for bid the next month or so.
19002L   4TH STREET WIDENING - SETASIDE LONG
19003L   BELCHER RD BRIDGE REPLACE SETASIDE LONG
Everyone has been approached with a offer for the right a way. Think there are ten people
and two have not responded at all and two have made a counter offer. That is in the
works.
19004S   TRAFFIC SIGNAL @ DRAXELMAIER SETASIDE FORRESTER
Under Construction.
19005S   TRAFFIC SIGNAL @ DRAXELMAIER SETASIDE CHUMLEY
They have poured the fourth footing today for the fourth pole. Footing is in place and all
the concrete work is done. They will be standing up poles and running wires and hanging
signals probably in mid-February.
19012L   FY19 ANNUAL PAVING COUNTY - Brockman McClimon Rd
Close project.
20001A   FY20 ANNUAL ADMINISTRATIVE FUNDS
20002S   FALLING CREEK N BLACKSTOCK SET-A-SIDE FORRESTER
SCDOT has completed/closed project
20003S   FALLING CREEK N BLACKSTOCK SHORTFALL
DOT has been paid. Projects are closed.
20004L   CLARK RD AND BISHOP RD- SET-A-SIDE MAGNUSON
Design and Review.
20005S   HWY 14 DEPTH PATCHING SET-A-SIDE MAGUSON
SCDOT has completed/closed project.
20006S   HWY 14 DEPTH PATCHING SET-A-SIDE HYDE
SCDOT has completed/closed project.
20007S   HWY 14 DEPTH PATCHING SET-A-SIDE CHUMLEY
SCDOT has completed/closed project.
20008S   HWY 14 DEPTH PATCHING SET-A-SIDE LONG
SCDOT has completed/closed project
20009L   DOUBLE BRANCH BATTLEGROUND RD- SET-A-SIDE HYDE
All the designs are over. Out for bid.
20010L   FY20 PAVING CITY OF SPARTANBURG
Work complete. Waiting on final invoice.
20011S   2020 Annual CTC Paving SCDOT - John Dodd & Bryant Rd.
Check sent to SCDOT. Work not started.

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20012S  BRYANT ROAD SET-A-SIDE HYDE
Check sent to SCDOT. Work not started.
20013L  FY20 ANNUAL PAVING COUNTY - Hampton Rd
Work complete. Waiting on final invoice.
20018L  HAMPTON ROAD SET-A-SIDE ALLISON
Closed project.
20014L  TOWN OF GREER FY20 PAVING - Gary Armstrong Rd
Work complete. Waiting on final invoice.
20015L  TOWN OF LYMAN FY20 PAVING - Hampton Rd
Work complete. Waiting on final invoice.
20016L  TOWN OF COWPENS FY20 PAVING - Maple St
Work complete. Waiting on final invoice.
20017L  MAPLE STREET SET-A-SIDE TALLON
Work complete. Waiting on final invoice.
20019S  PROJECT EVALUATION SET-A-SIDE ALLISON
Evaluation is done. Project is closed. Will be returning a little money to the CTC.
20020L  SEAY ROAD SETASIDE LONG
In design.
20021L  CLARK RD INTERSECTIONS Sugar Ridge & Seay – Set-a-side Long
In design.
20022L  BELCHER ROAD SET-A-SIDE LONG
In design.
20023L  REIDVILLE ROAD RE-ALIGNMENTS *
Under construction.
19019L  RE-ALIGNMENT HAMMETT, REIDVILLE (see 20023L)
Merged into 20023L; $802.42 remaining on PO#1903049. Allison to update in Jan. 2021
20024L  REPLACEMENT OF CTC VEHICLE
Waiting on final invoice. Drives very well. Thank you.
20025S  WOODS CHAPEL AND VICTOR HILL
Still have 90% plans. We have a separate company doing the pavement design. SME is working on that. We are still working on traffic and truck volume and what we want to project. The engineers wants us to give them a number so they can design by our number. The growth in that area is so exponential, we will be guessing.
20026L  COUNTY ROAD SAFETY ENHANCEMENTS 2020
Work to be done in Spring.
21001A  FY21 ANNUAL ADMINISTRATIVE FUNDS
21002S  JESSE BOYD Fernwood Glendale Rd Signal Set-A-Side Tallon
New project.
21003S  JESSE BOYD Fernwood Glendale Rd Signal Set-A-Side Hyde
New project.
21005S FY21 ANNUAL STATE PAVING S LINDA ST COWPENS
New project.
21004S S LINDA ST COWPENS SETASIDE TALLON
New project.
4. New projects recommended for approval by the Advisory Committee - Travis Brown

a. Annual CTC Paving – City of Spartanburg $440,000

Motion was made by Travis Brown. Second was made by Chris Story. Motion carried. Trey Blackwood abstained from vote.

Post meeting comment by Chair: Trey Blackwood advised the Chair prior to this CTC meeting, that he will recuse himself from the proposal for Annual CTC Paving, City of Spartanburg, and the proposal for Rep. Henderson-Myers set-a-side because the City has asked committee member Blackwood’s firm to consider the Preston Street project. Mr. Blackwood requested that his recusal be documented.

Chairman Throckmorton states that the agreement with the city as well as other towns and municipalities is that they have to at least match the funds we are giving them and the City of Spartanburg is better than matching because their total is beyond $880,000.

b. Annual CTC Paving – SCDOT - $620,000
   1. S-128-Hwy. 14 East (I-26 to N. Carolina State Line)
   2. S-41 – N. Blackstock Road (SC-85 to New Cut Rd.)

This money will be split evenly between these two projects.

Motion was made by Travis Brown. Second was made by Dean Anderson. Motion carried.

Chairman Throckmorton wants to make note to the committee members that we are obligated to spend this year a little over 27% of our money on state assets and when we get audited at the end of the year it’s not what we allocated it’s what we spent. So, when we have a project when making a partial contribution to the state rather than paying for the whole thing. When we issue the check is considered the expenditure. We have an advantage of being a partial contributor to a project, make sure the monies are going to be counted at the end of this year.

Post meeting comment by Chair: Following the meeting, it came to my attention that in the meeting when I spoke about the difference between partially funding a DOT project vs. fully funding a DOT project, I incorrectly stated that there was a difference as to when the funds were “counted” as spent. That is incorrect. When the CTC issues a check to the DOT, the funds are considered spent for purposes of year end accounting rather it is a partial funding or a full funding of a project. What is different is that for DOT project the CTC only partially funds, the shortfalls (expensed exceed estimate) are covered by the DOT. But if the CTC fully funds a DOT project, the CTC is responsible for the shortfalls.

Motion was made by Travis Brown. Second was made by Chris Story. Motion carried.

d. Project Request 1161 – Reclamation/widening of Robinson Road from Fulmer Drive to Hwy. 290-$350,000.

This is a partnership with a development contributing $350,000. So this project is to fund the remainder amount $350,000 and this is part of the SCDOT annual paving allotment. This project will be managed by CTC.

Motion was made by Travis Brown. Second was made by Kyle Owing. Motion carried.

e. Annual CTC Paving – Spartanburg County - $2,200,000.
   1. Sloan Road/Mill Gin Rd. – Jordan Road to Mt. Lebanon Road
   2. Shiloh Church Rd. – Hwy. 358 to Wasp Nest Road

Repairing, resurfacing and widening roads in Lyman area. Balance to be paid by Spartanburg County.

Motion was made by Travis Brown. Second was made by Dean Anderson. Motion carried.

f. Annual CTC Paving – Municipalities- $275,000.

   1. City of Greer (Westmorland Road) - $150,000
   2. Town of Cowpens (East Church St., Savannah St., Tumbler Rock Rd., Pebble Ct.) - $75,000
   3. Town of Duncan (Edwards Ln.) - $50,000

This will be three municipalities and it will be a 50/50 match. These projects will be managed by Spartanburg County. These go into our annual bid package.

Motion was made by Travis Brown. Second was made by Kyle Owing. Motion carried.

g. Project Request 1156 – Rep. Allison set-a-side in the amount of $20,000 for Edwards Lane paving project.

This is in the Town of Duncan.

Motion was made by Travis Brown. Second was made by Vic Bailey. Motion carried.

h. Project Request 1157 – Rep. Hyde set-a-side in the amount of $25,089 to be added to Woods Chapel and Victor Hill Road intersection project 20025S.

Motion was made by Travis Brown. Second was made by Dean Anderson. Motion carried.

i. Project Request 1158 – Rep. Allison set-a-side in the amount of $40,565 to be added to Woods Chapel and Victor Hill Road intersection project 20025S.
Motion was made by Travis Brown. Second was made by Kyle Owing. Motion carried.

j. Project Request 1159 – Rep. Long set-a-side in the amount of $64,177 to be added to Woods Chapel and Victor Hill Road intersection project 20025S.

Important to know that two Representatives, Rep. Long and Rep. Hyde was willing to contribute their set-a-side to a safety project that is outside their district.

Motion was made by Travis Brown. Second was made by Dean Anderson. Motion carried.


The remaining funding for this project will come from the City of Spartanburg and this project will be managed by the City of Spartanburg.

Motion was made by Travis Brown. Second was made by Chris Story. Motion carried. Trey Blackwood abstained from vote.

5. Old Business

None.

6. New Business

1) Call for nominees for Chairman and Vice Chairman.

Chairman John Throckmorton states he has had discussions with each committee member who is eligible to be Chair or Vice-Chair. No one has expressed an interest in being Chairman. Chairman Throckmorton states he would be willing to run a second term, and it will require for everybody to approve of that. With regard to Vice-Chair, Kyle Owing has asked his name to be placed in nomination for the Vice Chair position. Chairman Throckmorton states he has asked now and we will ask again at the April meeting and you can contact him between now and then if there are any other nominations for Chairman or Vice-Chairman for the next two years beginning July 1, 2021.

7. Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned by Chairman Throckmorton.

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John Throckmorton, Chairman                  Attested: Debbie Culbreth

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