

# *Spartanburg County Transportation Committee*

## **MINUTES**

**Thursday, April 15, 2021  
County Council Chambers  
Spartanburg County Administration Building  
366 North Church Street, Spartanburg, SC 29303**

A public meeting of the Spartanburg County Transportation Committee was held on Thursday, April 15, 2021, at 5:30 p.m. in County Council Chambers of the Spartanburg County Administration Building, 366 North Church Street, Spartanburg, S.C. 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 following members were present: John Throckmorton; Travis Brown; Chris Story; Will Gramling; Ed Humphries; Dean Anderson; Trey Blackwood; Kyle Owings. The following members were absent: Vic Bailey, IV-Excused and Doug Cobb.

### **1. Call to Order – John Throckmorton, Chairman**

### **2. Approval of Minutes for January 21, 2021**

Motion was made by Chris Story to approve minutes. Second was made by Dean Anderson. Motion carried.

### **3. Financial Report – Allison Poole**

Total Unobligated Funds As Of March 31, 2021: (These funds can be applied to new projects)	\$ 2,430,427.40
Funding Available after FY21 Liabilities	\$1,930,427.40
Gas Tax for FY2021-\$4,680,300	\$1,560,100
Donor County Funds	-
Total Estimated Revenue:	\$1,560,100.00

### **4. Project Status Report – Billy Martin**

Active project status report as of April 1, 2021

1. 12018, 13010, 17006 Pacolet, River Gateway Roundabout. Construction should begin mid-summer 2021.
2. 15006 and 19002L 4<sup>th</sup> Street - ROW secured. Will go out for bid soon.

3. 19003S Belcher Road bridge replacement, Rep. Long set-a-side - FEMA flood studies and right of way acquisition underway.
4. 19004S and 199005S Traffic Signal at Draxelmaier. Construction complete. Waiting for final SCDOT approval.
5. 20004L Spartanburg County, Clark Rd. /Bishop Rd. Roundabout - Design Underway.
6. 20009L Double Branch Road, Intersection Relocation. Contracts signed. The project should begin soon.
7. 20011S SCDOT Paving. John Dodd and Bryant Roads. That is SCDOT.
8. 20020L Seay Road - Design and design review underway.
9. 20021L Clark Road - Design and design review underway.
10. 20022L Belcher Road Widening. We recently met with the design firm and went over the new alignment.
11. 20023L (Combined 19018L and 19019L) Lightwood Knot Road and S. Hammett Road, Intersection Improvement. Both relocations are open to traffic. Some storm drainage, ditching and cleanup to be complete.
12. 20025S Victor Hill Road/Woods Chapel Road - Design plans 99 percent. Right of way acquisition is set to begin.
13. 20026L Spartanburg County Road Safety Improvements – Bids are in. Bids look good.
14. 21001A FY21 Annual Administrative Funding
15. 21002S and 21003S (Tallon/Hyde Set Aside) Fernwood Glendale Road Traffic Signal. Complete, City of Spartanburg.
16. 21004S Rep. Set Aside and 21005S SCDOT for S. Linda Street, Cowpens Under the direction of the SCDOT.
17. 21006L Willis Road at US-29 Rep. Forrester Set Aside. Engineering complete, Waiting for SCDOT Encroachment Permit.
18. 21007L FY21 City of Spartanburg Paving. This is done.
19. 21008S FY21 SCDOT Paving. Still working on this.
20. 21009L FY21 Spartanburg County Paving. Got the bids.
21. 21010S Robinson Road Widening. The bid is in got to sign contracts. It is under budget barely.
22. 210011L, FY21 City of Greer Paving. 210012L FY21 Town of Cowpens Paving. 210013, LFY21 Town of Duncan Paving.

23. 210014L Edwards Lane. Rep. Allison Set Aside.

24. 210015L Preston Street. Rep. Henderson-Myers Set Aside.

## 5. New projects recommended for approval by the Advisory Committee- Travis Brown

- a. Project Request 1163- Woods Chapel and Victor Hill Intersection Improvement- \$700,000 added to project 20025S for construction.

The location of the intersection is behind BMW test track. A round-a-bout has been confirmed to be the answer there.

Motion was made by Travis Brown to approve. Second was made by Kyle Owings. Motion carried.

- b. Project Request 1164- Berry Shoals and Hwy 290 Intersection Improvement- \$350,000.

This project has been on our priority list for about two years. We did meet with the DOT and came up with a plan not only to add a left turn lane but also a right turn lane. This will be a partnership with the DOT. The DOT is going to handle all the upgrades to the signalization.

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

- c. Project Request 1165- Berry Shoals and Apple Valley Intersection Improvement- \$400,000.

This project has been identified as priority on the list by the CTC ranked number 4. Lot of industries and a lot of industries moving in off Apple Valley. Berry Shoals has a lot of volume in traffic. It is extremely difficult for people traveling on Apple Valley to get out onto Berry Shoals. There is some vacant property out there right now, we think with all the development that will not last much longer.

This project has been broken down into two phases. First phase request is for \$400,000.00. We have some surveying, engineering, technical and right-a-way acquisition cost. We did meet with the DOT and have come up with an intersection improvement. There is some property out there owned by 85 Logistics, so were are going to reach out to City of Spartanburg Economic Development to see if they can help us there with property acquisition. Next year at this time will be coming back to the CTC for the approval for the rest of construction.

Motion was made by Travis Brown to approve. Second was made by Will Gramling. Motion carried.

- d. Add Leonard Road to annual CTC paving project for Spartanburg County (21009L). No additional funding requested.

Annual paving came in under budget, we had a little money left over. Leonard Road is in a highly industrial area and is in really poor condition. It will be a reclamation project. No additional funding requested. This is to add Leonard Road to the annual paving list.

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

**6. New Business**

- a. Approval of CTC and Spartanburg County Annual Agreement- \$300,000.00.

Chairman Throckmorton states the funds are used to pay salaries and other expenses, if there are funds left over it comes back to the CTC general fund.

Motion was made by Will Gramling to approve. Second was made by Dean Anderson. Motion carried.

- b. Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman, two (2) year term commencing July 1, 2021.

At this time Chairman Throckmorton turned the election over to Travis Brown.

Travis began with election of the Vice Chair, this will begin July 1, 2021. Dean Anderson is currently sitting Vice Chair. We have a volunteer Kyle Owings for the Vice Chair. Travis opens for any other recommendations. Hearing none, looked for a motion to elect Kyle Owings to the Vice Chair. No questions.

Motion was made by Chris Story to elect Kyle Owings as Vice Chairman. Second was made by Will Gramling. Motion carried.

Travis states this would be a second term for Chairman John Throckmorton. Travis opens for any other recommendation. Hearing none, looked for a motion to elect John Throckmorton as Chairman. No questions.

Motion was made by Chris Story to elect John Throckmorton as Chairman. Second was made by Will Gramling. Motion carried.

Meeting turned back over to Chairman Throckmorton. He thanked Travis and thanked Dean Anderson for standing in as Vice Chair for the past two years. Chairman Throckmorton states he looks forward to working with Kyle and appreciates the vote of confidence.

**7. Old Business**

None.

**8. Adjourn**

Chairman John Throckmorton moved to Adjourn. Meeting was adjourned.

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**John Throckmorton, Chairman**

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**Attested: Debbie Culbreth**

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