

Spartanburg County Transportation Committee
MINUTES
OCTOBER 17, 2013
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, October 17, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. in County Council Chambers, Spartanburg County Administrative Office Building. Chairman Billy Painter presided. The following members were present: Ernestine Anderson, Steve Belue, Ed Memmott, Hal Murphy, Billy Painter, John Throckmorton, and, Robert '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 July 18, 2013 meeting minutes

Mr. John Throckmorton moved to approve the July 18, 2013 minutes as mailed and printed. The motion was seconded by Ms. Ernestine Anderson and approved.

Item # 2 - Financial Report – Ms. Lacey Bradey

Ms. Lacey Bradey reported the total unobligated funds as of September 30th were \$3,030,256.81.

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

Mr. Todd Carroll is working with the SCDOT on the Cannons Campground Road signal plans to approve for the project.

Construction is going to begin next week on the Old Furnace Road culvert extension.

The US 176 at Mason Road left turn signal has been installed.

The encroachment permit has been received on the Blalock Road project and right-of-way is being obtained for the project.

The quotes for the Church Street at Clifton Glendale project should be in by next Friday with construction to begin in a couple weeks.

Item # 4 - Recommended projects from Advisory Committee – Mr. Steve Belue

a. Project Request 1040 – Representative Cole set-aside to improve the intersection at Road 57 @ Dewberry Lane in the amount of \$24,000

This is a set-aside from Representative Derham Cole to improve an intersection at Road 57 at Dewberry Lane. (Road 57 is sometimes called Gossett Road). There are industrial companies in the area. Trucks are having a hard time making the turn. Trucks are running off the shoulder over the curve. This request is to improve the radius. This request originated from Carter Smith for economic development.

Mr. Bob Walker moved to approve \$24,000 to improve the intersection at Road 57 at Dewberry Lane. The motion was seconded by Mr. John Throckmorton. There was no further discussion and the motion carried

b. Project Request 1041 – Cart Drive Bridge Replacement in the City of Spartanburg in the amount of \$189,265

Cart Drive Bridge Replacement is located in the City of Spartanburg. The City is providing \$215,000. They are asking C Funds to provide \$189,265 along with project request 1042 of \$25,735 to complete the project. If the project runs over the projected the \$430,000 estimated amount, the City will pick up the difference from Storm Water funds.

Mr. Bob Walker moved to approve C Funds in the amount of \$189,265. Mr. Ed Memmott seconded the motion. The motion carried.

c. Project Request 1042 – Additional funding to help replace Cart Drive Bridge in the City of Spartanburg from Representative Cole set-aside in the amount of \$25,735

This request is referring to the above named project with Representative Derham Cole applying his set-aside funds in the amount of \$25,735 towards the project.

Mr. Ed Memmott moved to approve the \$25,735 set-aside funds. Mr. Steve Belue seconded the motion. With no further discussion, the motion carried.

d. Project Request 1043 – Repair Valleydale Drive road damaged during construction of Avanti Road in the amount of \$9,000

This project request is to repair the damaged portion of Valleydale Drive that was damaged during the construction of Avanti Road at Amazon.

Valleydale is located off I-26 @ John Dodd Road. There are about twelve residents on the street. The street had just been paved. A permit to mine caused damage to the roadway. The folks are upset about it. The cost estimated to repair the roadway is at \$9,000. Some of the remaining funds allocated to the John Dodd Road project will be refunded which will be more than enough to pay for the repairs to Valleydale Drive.

Mr. John Throckmorton moved to approve the \$9,000 to repair Valleydale Drive. Mr. Ed Memmott seconded the motion. The motion carried.

e. Project Request 1044 – Cambridge Drive Hydrology study by FEMA, Representative Forrester set-aside in the amount of \$30,000

Representative Forrester has allocated \$30,000 of his set-aside funds for a Hydrology study by FEMA. Culvert adjustments had to be worked on this week as a house was flooded due to the heavy rains last week. Any permanent changes cannot be constructed until FEMA completes a study to see how houses will be affected both upstream and downstream. FEMA will re-map the area for a flood zone. FEMA will charge \$10,000 for the study to be conducted.

Mr. John Throckmorton moved to approve \$30,000 of set-aside funding for FEMA to complete a hydrology study on Cambridge Drive on the west side of Spartanburg. Mr. Hal Murphy seconded the motion. The motion carried.

f. Project Request 1045 – Intersection Improvement on North Blackstock Road @ John Dodd Road in the amount of \$480,000

This project started back several months ago with Mr. Carter Smith. A new company is looking to locate in the area. The main concern, however, is the intersection of North Blackstock Road @ John Dodd Road is bad and needs improved. Excel (which is the Wal-mart distribution center) is ready to renew their lease on the building and add a second shift. The building will be enlarged to accommodate 300 jobs on this new second shift and another 100 jobs on the first shift. Entrances will need to be changed as yet another company wants to hire 75 people.

Mr. Todd Carroll configured a cost estimate at \$480,000 to improve the intersection. Wal-mart plans to move their entrance onto John Dodd Road and add additional parking behind the building to double the truck parking spaces. There will be more turns off North Blackstock and onto John Dodd. As of now, the trucks do not have enough space to make the turn the way it is configured. Currently, trucks take up both lanes in both directions, to make the turn onto John Dodd road.

With an additional company coming in and more truck traffic, the need to improve the intersection it's inevitable.

Mr. Bob Walker moved to approve \$480,000 to improve the intersection located on John Dodd Road at North Blackstock Road to accommodate the growth of truck traffic. Mr. John Throckmorton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

5. Old Business

There was no old business discussed.

6. New Business

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned.

Mr. Billy Painter, Chairman

Carol Crowe, Attested