

Spartanburg County Transportation Committee
MINUTES
JANUARY 21, 2010
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, January 21, 2010, 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, Steve McAbee, Ed Memmott, Chet Morris, Hal Murphy, John Throckmorton

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 October 15, 2009 meeting minutes

John Throckmorton moved to approve the October 15, 2009 meeting minutes as printed and mailed. Steve McAbee seconded the motion. The motion carried.

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

Mrs. Sabrina Mason reported the total unobligated funds as of December 31, 2009 were \$2,010,097.91 which includes user fees and interest through November, 2009. It is expected to collect an additional seven months of user fees and interest before the end of the fiscal year.

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

In the last sixty days, the contractor has only been able to work on projects for eleven days due to water and the cold weather. Therefore three projects, Shoally Creek Road widening, Highway 176 at Windmill Hill, and the Seay Road projects are expected to overrun by ten percent or more.

The Overhead Bridge project survey is complete around the rail. The railroad is internally questioning whether the line union or the bridge union will supply the flagman for the survey of the rail. There are two trains daily going through the area. The survey will take about two hours, but it still will be necessary to pay \$1,000 for a flagman to be on-sight during the survey.

Some of the beams are set on the Dairy Ridge Road Bridge project. The contractors are predicting mid March for completion, but Mr. Speed is predicting April as a completion date.

The design is complete on the Cecelia Drive project.

The designs for the two right turn lanes projects at the intersections of Hawk Creek and Shenandoah II are complete. The bids will go out mid February for the Cecelia Drive project and the two right turn lane projects.

The rains have created problems for the Fairwinds Road project. However, the contractors are proceeding, and the project is about fifteen percent complete.

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

a. Phase One, Edwards Road – funding up to \$500,000.00

Edwards Road, located in the northern part of the County, is in very poor condition. The Department of Transportation (DOT) estimated the reconstruction cost at approximately \$1.7M. The CTC Advisory Committee has discussed the availability of the DOT providing funding for the project. However, funding has not been yet been confirmed for the project. The road is in such poor condition that the Advisory Committee felt it necessary to go ahead with the first phase of the road from Highway 9 to Miller Farm Road at an estimated cost of \$1.1M. The Advisory Committee is recommending approving \$500,000 toward the project to be matched by the annual DOT resurfacing allotment at \$571,869 (See item 4f.) The DOT is looking for ways to fund the remaining portion of the roadway from Miller Farm Road to Hickory Nut Road in this fiscal year.

Mr. Ed Memmott moved to approve \$500,000 to reconstruct Phase I of Edwards Road. Mr. Tom Arthur seconded the motion. The motion carried.

b. Utility Relocation Birds Eye View @ SC 9 – not to exceed \$2,200.00

Birds Eye View is located at the entrance to a subdivision near the Rocky Branch Road intersection. The DOT has agreed to fund a traffic signal and is asking the CTC to assist in the funding of the relocation of Duke Power overhead lines and poles. The Advisory Committee is recommending the CTC approve \$2,200 to assist in the funding.

Steve McAbee moved to approve \$2,200 to assist with the relocation of Duke Power overhead lines for the traffic signal to be installed at SC 9 @ Birds Eye View. John Throckmorton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

c. Delegation set-aside Keith Kelly, Woodruff Sidewalks - \$27,156.00

This request is a delegation set-aside from Representative Kelly to install sidewalks in the City of Woodruff. Representative Kelly has approval from Representative Anthony to use his set-aside funding in the amount of \$3,298.00 for this project. The total amount requested is \$27,156.00. The Advisory Committee has reviewed the project and is requesting CTC approval.

Mr. Tom Arthur moved to approve \$27,156.00 for the City of Woodruff to construct sidewalks. John Throckmorton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

d. Delegation set-aside Keith Kelly, Reidville streetscape - \$25,000.00

This is a delegation set-aside request from Representative Kelly for the Town of Reidville to continue their streetscape project. The total estimated cost of the project is \$168,000. The project meets the streetscape policy which was developed last year.

Mr. John Throckmorton moved to approve \$25,000 for the Town of Reidville to continue their streetscape project. Mr. Steve McAbee seconded the motion. The motion carried.

e. Delegation set-aside Derham Cole, Resurface Pheasant Court & Ransdell Drive in City of Spartanburg @ \$49,280

Pheasant Court and Ransdell Drive meet the criteria to be resurfaced. The overall condition index (OCI) is below fifty.

Mr. Sam Evatt moved to approve \$49,280 to resurface Pheasant Court and Ransdell Drive in the City of Spartanburg. The motion was seconded by Tom Arthur. The motion carried.

f. Annual Resurfacing Program with SCDOT – Edwards Road @ \$571,869

The condition of Edwards Road has been previously discussed. The SCDOT has agreed to add all approved 2010 annual resurfacing funding to help with the reconstruction of Phase I of Edwards Road.

Mr. Tom Arthur moved to approve the state's portion of the annual resurfacing amount of \$571,869 to be used toward the reconstructing of Phase I of Edwards Road. Mr. Sam Evatt seconded the motion. The motion carried.

g. Annual Resurfacing Program with Spartanburg County @ \$1,038,000

The Advisory Committee is recommending C Funds in the amount of \$1,038,000.00 be approved to resurface roadways in Spartanburg County. (See Exhibit A) The roadways listed have an OCI of 50 or less with one OCI listed as 0. Roadways in Spartanburg County are constantly being re-evaluated. Maintenance of roadways continues forever. Roadways will fall apart over the years.

Mr. Sam Evatt moved to approve \$1,038,000.00 to resurface roadways in Spartanburg County. Mr. Hal Murphy seconded the motion. The motion carried.

h. Annual Resurfacing Program with City of Spartanburg @ \$259,095

The CTC Advisory Committee is recommending funding in the amount of \$259,095 to resurface roadways/streets in the City of Spartanburg. (See Exhibit B) This is the same annual amount as previously allocated to the City of Spartanburg for the past seven or eight years. The list includes streets to be resurfaced amounting to \$356,336.67, but they will be required to use the funding amount approved.

Mr. Sam Evatt moved to approve \$259,095 for the City of Spartanburg to resurface roadways as listed. Mr. Steve McAbee seconded the motion. The motion carried.

i. Annual Resurfacing program with Municipalities @ \$361,000

The CTC Advisory Committee recommended the annual resurfacing program for municipalities be approved in the amount of \$361,000. (See Exhibit C)

Mr. Steve McAbee moved to approve \$361,000 to resurface roadways/streets in municipalities in Spartanburg County. The motion was seconded and carried.

j. Project approved but recommended to suspend – Irby Road widening (\$300,000)

The Irby Road project has been determined that significant expenses would be involved to purchase the necessary right-of-way to widen the roadway. Residents would not consider donating such right-of-way. Therefore, the CTC Advisory committee recommended the project be suspended.

A motion was made to suspend the project. The motion carried.

Therefore, the previously approved funding in the amount of \$300,000 will be added to the general C Fund account.

Item # 6 - Old Business

No old business was discussed.

Item # 7 - New Business

No new business was discussed.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned.

Mr. Billy Painter, Chairman

Carol Crowe, Attested