



MINUTES TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING

June 16, 2011

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mr. Joel Thrift, District IV, Chairman

Mr. Paul Corbeil, District I

Mr. Wayne McCall, District II

The Transportation Committee met Thursday, June 16, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. in Council Chambers, Oconee Administrative Offices, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC with all members present. Administrator Scott Moulder and Elizabeth G. Hulse, Clerk to Council present.

Press: Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, notice of the meeting, date, time, place of meeting and agenda were posted on the bulletin board at the County Administrative Offices, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC, and the County Council website [www.oconeese.com/council]. In addition it was made available to the newspapers, radio stations, television stations and concerned citizens.

Member of the press present: Carlos Galarza – Daily Journal

Call to Order:

Chairman Thrift called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Minutes:

Mr. Corbeil made a motion, seconded by Mr. Thrift, approved 2 – 0 [Mr. McCall had not yet arrived to vote] to approve the minutes as presented from the April 21, 2011 meeting.

Citizen Appearances

None Scheduled for this Meeting.

Ongoing Project Status / Staff Report

Mr. Kelly read from a prepared statement [copy filed with these minutes] highlighting the following areas:

- Carlee Rd, Edgewood Dr & Wisteria Dr
- Cobb Bridge (Bridge Replacement Project)
- Alice Lane
- Stone Pond Subdivision
- Pecan Grove Rd Paving
- Wiring for Vehicle Storage
- Pad for Emergency Management at OLEC
- Trees at Pine St

Mr. McCall arrived during the presentation of this report.

New Business:

Encroachment Permit Policy & Form

Mr. Moulder along with Mr. Kelly addressed the Committee regarding the draft ordinance, draft policy and forms.

Mr. Kelly highlighted the underlined changes in the draft ordinance requested by the County Attorney. Mr. Kelly also addressed the Committee regarding specific aspects of the draft policy to include fees, surety bonds, etc. Lengthy discussion followed.

The Committee directed [1] the Administrator, Mr. Kelly and the County Attorney to review all road ordinances [including those within the subdivision standards] and make recommendation to this Committee at a future meeting, and [2] the Administrator and Mr. Kelly hold the draft ordinance and policy until the recommendations regarding all road ordinances are addressed by the Committee.

Conflicting Sign Fee Ordinance Discussion

Mr. Moulder informed the Committee that the draft language had not yet been received from the County Attorney and asked that this matter be deferred. The Committee concurred.

Old Business:

Legal Issues regarding no right-of-way / road improvements:

Mr. Moulder provided the Committee with a memo [copy filed with these minutes] outlining the County Attorneys request for a legal opinion regarding this matter. The Committee received the memo; noting that it would be reviewed and discussed at a future meeting if additional information was required.

CAT Bus Study Follow-Up:

Mr. Moulder provided the Committee with a memo [copy filed with these minutes] following up on a citizen initiated request and Committee direction for a possible updated CAT Bus study. Mr. Thrift asked if the municipalities had been contacted to identify their interest in expanded service. Mr. Moulder stated that he had not yet contacted the municipalities.

The Committee directed the Administrator to follow-up with the municipalities to gauge their interest in expanded services with the understanding that they could be required to assist with some form of cost sharing.

Dyar Bridge:

Mr. Moulder addressed the Committee as follow-up to a previous meeting noting that he had contacted the railroad regarding concerns with this bridge; requesting that they make a site visit to the County. He noted that representatives will be visiting the site in July 2011. No further action was taken by the Committee regarding this matter.

Adjourn:

Mr. McCall made a motion, approved unanimously to adjourn at 6:38 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Elizabeth G. Hulse
Clerk to Council