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TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING April 14, 2015

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mr. Joel Thrift, District IV, Chairman Ms. Edda Cammick, District I Mr. Wayne McCall, District II

The Transportation Committee met at 6:30 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.

<u>Staff Present</u>: Mr. Mack Kelly, County Engineer; Mr. Kyle Reid, Asst. Manager Roads & Bridges Department.

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: Ray Chandler/Anderson Independent & Dick Mangrum/WGOG Radio.

Call to Order:

Mr. Thrift called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

<u>Minutes:</u> Mr. McCall made a motion, seconded by Ms. Cammick, approved 3-0 to approve the January 13, 2015 minutes as presented.

Discussion & Action Regarding the Following Items:

Mr. Moulder & Mr. Kelly addressed the Committee utilizing a PowerPoint presentation [copy filed with these minutes] for all Discussion & Action Items listed below.

Willow Creek Subdivision Roads

Mr. Kelly outlined concerns with the subdivision roads and requested that the county not accept the roads into the county system. Discussion followed.

Ms. Alyssa Suddeth, Community First Bank, addressed the Committee noting that they have a potential buyer for the vacant lots and that the sale is contingent upon the county's acceptance of the roads.

Mr. Thrift requested that the Mr. Kelly perform a roll test of the roadways to better identify issues with construction and to provide a cost estimate to meet the county's road standards. The Committee concurred.

Resolution Opposing Mandatory Devolution of State Roads

Mr. Thrift made a motion, seconded by Mr. McCall, approved 3-0 to recommend to full council passage of Resolution R2015-08 at an upcoming Council meeting.

Mr. McCall as Council Chair requested that the Clerk place Resolution R2015-08 on the April 21, 2015 agenda for action by Council.

Private Roads / Assistance Options

Mr. Moulder & Mr. Kelly addressed the Committee for information only the current ordinance regarding assistance for citizens on private roads needing maintenance and/or acceptance into the county road system.

The Committee requested that Mr. Kelly work with the County Attorney to discuss options and to be prepared to address this at a future meeting.

Stone Pond Subdivision

Mr. Moulder & Mr. Kelly addressed the Committee ongoing issues related to moving forward with this project.

Mr. Thrift made a motion, seconded by Ms. Cammick, approved 3 - 0 to recommend to full Council to direct the Administrator and County Engineer to contact the County Attorney to clarify methods for moving forward with re-doing the special tax district ordinance currently in place.

Staff Activity Report / Update

Hitec Road **Road Inventory Project Progress Report Buffalo Road Ouit Claim Deeds for Mill Roads**

Mr. Kelly addressed the Committee highlighting ongoing issues related to these issues. No action was requested by the Committee at this meeting.

Department Activity Update:

Mr. Kelly provided the Committee with a written report [copy filed with these minutes] outlining the department activity and special project.

Other Business:

Todd Bridge Road

Mr. Thrift noted calls from a citizen on this roadway requesting the county abandon a portion of the roadway. The citizen has had issues with vagrants and thefts on their property and has installed a gate. Discussion followed.

Mr. Thrift made a motion, seconded by Mr. McCall, approved 3-0 to direct the Administrator to follow normal processes regarding citizen initiated abandonment and to remind the citizen that the ligation would be at their own expense. Additionally, the committee agreed to allow the gate to remain in place throughout this process.

<u>Adjourn:</u>	Mr. Thrift adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.
	Respectfully Submitted
	Elizabeth G. Hulse Clerk to Council