



MINUTES
TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING
February 15, 2022
COMMITTEE MEMBERS
Mr. Glenn Hart, District V, Chairman
Mr. Julian Davis, District IV
Mr. Paul Cain, District III

The Transportation Committee met at 4:30 p.m. in Council Chambers, Oconee Administrative Offices, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC with all members present [Mr. Cain absent], County Administrator Amanda F. Brock, County Attorney David Root, and Jennifer C. Adams, Clerk to Council.

Staff Present: Kyle Reid / Roads and Bridges Director

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.oconeesc.com/council]. In addition, it was made available [*upon request*] to the newspapers, radio stations, television stations and concerned citizens.

Members of the press present: Riley Morningstar / The Journal

Call to Order

Mr. Hart called the meeting to order at 4:37 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hart, approved 2 – 0, to approve the February 16, 2021 minutes as presented.

Moment of Silence

Mr. Davis asked for a moment of silence prior to the Invocation by County Council Chaplain.

Invocation by County Council Chaplain

Mr. Root, County Council Chaplain, gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Hart led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Discussion & Action Regarding the Following Items

Overview of road funding, road conditions, and processes

Mr. Kyle Reid made a presentation to the Committee, utilizing a handout and power point presentation [copies in backup], related to road funding, road conditions, and processes.

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Mr. Reid addressed Mr. Davis, answering his questions regarding how a citizen can differentiate between State and County roads, in order to report road issues.

Mr. Reid provided an explanation of the different letter identifiers on road signs, as instructed by Mr. Hart, so that citizens could be aware of what these letters represent.

Mr. Davis asked for further information related to the Special Revenue Fund from Mr. Reid.

Mr. Reid provided information to the committee explaining what the Special Revenue Fund has allowed the Roads and Bridges department to accomplish, including purchasing new equipment that has increased production within the department.

Mr. Reid also provided information related to the process of bidding out paving projects.

Proposed abandonment of a portion of Thornburg Rd (TU-67) and a portion of Dinky Line Rd (TU-34) – Kyle Reid, Roads and Bridges Director

Mr. Reid addressed the Committee with information related to the proposed abandonment of a portion of Thornburg Rd and a portion of Dinky Line Rd, that was requested by property owners along the road, who are trying to prevent unfettered accesses to their properties and prevent the dumping of garbage along these roads.

Mr. Reid asked for permission to follow Chapter 26:9 of the Oconee County Code of Ordinances to allow the Roads and Bridges Department to post proposed abandonment signs on these roads and get feedback from the citizens who utilize these roads for travel.

Mr. Hart agreed that public input is needed about the proposed abandonment of portions of these roads.

Mr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hart, approved 2 – 0, to approve motion instructing County Administrator, Ms. Brock, direct staff to post proposed abandonment signs on Thornburg Rd and Dinky Line Rd to allow for citizen input related to the proposed abandonment of portions of these roads.

Adjourn:

Mr. Hart made a motion to adjourn, approved unanimously at 4:52 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Jennifer C. Adams
Clerk to Council

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