



MINUTES

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING

January 12, 2016

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mr. Joel Thrift, District IV, Chairman

Ms. Edda Cammick, District I

Mr. Wayne McCall, District II

The Transportation Committee met at 5:30 p.m. in Council Chambers, Oconee Administrative Offices, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC with all members present [except Mr. McCall], Administrator Scott Moulder, County Attorney David Root and Elizabeth G. Hulse, Clerk to Council present.

Staff Present: 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: None.

Call to Order: Mr. Thrift called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.

Minutes: Ms. Cammick made a motion, seconded by Mr. Thrift, approved 2 – 0 to approve the October 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.

Discussion regarding potential road standard ordinance to address sub-standard roads

Mr. Thrift requested the County Attorney and Mr. Kelly address specifics in the draft Resolution [copy filed with these minutes] presented for the Committee's review. Lengthy discussion followed.

Mr. Thrift made a motion, seconded by Ms. Cammick, approved 2 – 0 to have the Resolution finalized and placed on the agenda at the next available Council meeting.

Discussion regarding Engineering Services Priorities

Mr. Thrift addressed concerns regarding priorities for engineering services that were approved at the recent January 5, 2015 regular Council meeting. He noted that Coneross Farm Road only serves one citizen; stating that he felt further review by the Committee was needed. Mr. Kelly and Mr. Reid presented maps [copies filed with these minutes] for several potential projects to replace Coneross Farm Road for the Committee's consideration. Lengthy discussion followed.

Mr. Thrift made a motion, seconded by Ms. Cammick, approved 2 – 0 to make a recommendation to full Council to reconsider the January 5th approval; removing Coneross Farm Road and replacing it with Kelly Ridge Road [amount of project to be determined at January 19, 2016 regular meeting].

Staff Activity Report / Update

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

Long Creek Fishing & Boating Club

Ms. Cammick noted receipt of a letter [copy filed with these minutes] dated January 5, 2016 regarding speed limit sign installation on Jumping Branch Road. Discussion followed. Mr. Kelly noted that he had previously provided a traffic study and did not identify speeding issues but stated he would contact community to again study to identify need.

Adjourn:

Ms. Cammick made a motion to adjourn, approved unanimously at 6:22 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Elizabeth G. Hulse
Clerk to Council