



**MINUTES
TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
WORKSHOP MEETING**

December 2, 2009

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mr. Joel Thrift, District IV, Chairman

Mr. Paul Corbeil, District I

Mr. Wayne McCall, District II

The Transportation Committee met Monday, December 2, 2009 at 5:30 p.m. in Council Chambers, Oconee Administrative Offices, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC with All Members 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.

Approval of Minutes:

Mr. McCall made a motion, seconded by Mr. Corbeil, approved 3 – 0 to approve the minutes from the October 27, 2009 meeting as presented.

Mr. Corbeil made a motion, seconded by Mr. Thrift, approved 2 – 0 [Mr. McCall abstained] to approve the minutes from the November 9, 2009 meeting as presented.

Ongoing Project Status / Staff Report

Mr. Mack Kelly, County Engineer, addressed the Committee and noted work on the following projects:

- Paving Contract: On schedule with the bid to go out mid January 2010.
- CTC Meeting: Presented list at last meeting
- Cartee Road: Currently working on design
- Bennettsville Road: Anticipate work to begin mid February 2010
- Jenkins Bridge Road: Initial design phase ongoing
- Seneca Health: Completion pending movement of portables on site.

New Business:

Approved Citizen Appearances / Requests:

Waterford Pointe Subdivision Request to Accept Private Roads into County System:

Mr. Richard Cottingham addressed the Committee regarding Waterford Pointe's request to accept .4 miles of roads in their subdivision. He addressed concerns raised during the

October 27, 2009 meeting. Mr. Kelly reiterated his position that the County not to accept the roads into the county system for maintenance. Lengthy discussion followed.

Mr. Corbeil made a motion, seconded by Mr. McCall, approved 3 – 0 to recommend that this issue be addressed with full Council at an upcoming meeting for final disposition. Mr. Thrift informed Mr. Cottingham that he would be advised when this matter would be addressed by the Clerk to Council.

Gary Alexander / Rock for Valley Farm Road:

Mr. Alexander addressed the Committee reviewing his belief that a previous Transportation Committee approved the donation of rock to Mr. Alexander for Valley Farm Road. Mr. Kelly reiterated to the committee that he would not have committed the county for a rock donation as it is out of his scope of authority. Discussion followed.

Ms. Alexander formally requested the Committee approval for the donation of 410-420 tons of rock [\$2,800 estimated] for Valley Farm Road.

Mr. Thrift made a motion, seconded by Mr. McCall, approved 3 – 0 to deny Mr. Alexander's request as insufficient information was provided to establish an action by the previous committee and/or county engineer.

Approved Staff Appearances / Requests:

Solid Waste / Strawberry Farm MMC / County Engineer Assistance Request:

Mr. Swain Still, Solid Waste Director, addressed the committee and outlined his request to have the County Engineer assist in the development of a new design for the Strawberry Farm Manned Convenience Center. He noted that the project is anticipated to need 40 +/- of Mr. Kelly's time for completion. Discussion followed.

Mr. Thrift made a motion, seconded by Mr. McCall, approved 3 – 0 to approve the County Engineer to assist with the design for the manned convenience center.

PRT / South Cove Campsite Renovation Project / Road Department Request:

Mr. Phil Shirley, PRT Direction, addressed the committee and outlined his request to have the road department assist with the renovation/rebuilding of campsites at South Cove Park. Mr. Kelly noted that the estimate is for approximately 1,000 +/- staff hours for this project. Discussion followed.

Mr. Thrift made a motion, seconded by Mr. Corbeil, approved 3 – 0 to approve PRT's request for assistance from the Road Department for work on the renovation/rebuilding of campsites at South Cove County Park.

Old Business:

No Old Business was discussed at this meeting.

Adjourn:

Mr. McCall made a motion, approved unanimously to adjourn at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Elizabeth G. Hulse, Clerk to Council