



## MINUTES TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING

August 30, 2011

### COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mr. Joel Thrift, District IV, Chairman

Mr. Paul Corbeil, District I

Mr. Wayne McCall, District II

The Transportation Committee met Tuesday, August 30, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. in Council Chambers, Oconee Administrative Offices, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC with all members present [except Mr. Corbeil], 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.oconeesc.com/council](http://www.oconeesc.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. McCall made a motion, seconded by Mr. Thrift, approved 2 – 0 to approve the minutes as presented from the June 16, 2011 meeting.

### Citizen Appearances

#### **Ridge Road Widening Request / Ms. Judith Christian**

Ms. Judith Christian addressed the Committee utilizing several photographs [two filed with these minutes] requesting that Ridge Road in Salem be considered for widening due to safety concerns. Ms. Christian also addressed concerns with the apron at the intersection with North Little River Road.

Ms. Christian presented the Committee with a petition [copy filed with these minutes] requesting widening of Ridge Road.

Mr. William Finrock also addressed the Committee regarding safety concerns with Ridge Road.

Discussion followed.

Mr. Thrift asked the County Administrator to work with the Roads & Bridges Department and the County Attorney to identify if right-of-ways can be obtained and to identify options for widening the roadway.

Mr. Moulder also noted that work orders are in place to improve the apron and do some culvert cleaning.

## **Ongoing Project Status / Staff Report**

Mr. Kelly read from a prepared statement [copy filed with these minutes] highlighting ongoing projects.

## **New Business:**

### **Encroachment Permit Policy & Form**

Mr. Moulder noted that this item is being deferred pending additional attorney/staff work. Mr. Moulder stated also that a consultant will be assisting with the requested review of all road ordinances.

### **Conflicting Sign Fee Ordinance Discussion**

Mr. Moulder noted that this item is being deferred pending additional attorney/staff work.

## **Old Business:**

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

Mr. Moulder noted that information had been provided to the Committee at the last meeting regarding this issue.

### **Doug Hollow Road**

Mr. Moulder noted that Doug Hollow Road is currently under design review by the County Engineer. Mr. Kelly noted that the Consent Order was rendered to allow the County to transfer to SCDOT. Regarding the SCDOT right-of-way to the county; staff is waiting to receive the paperwork [expected within 3-4 weeks].

## **Adjourn:**

Mr. McCall made a motion, approved unanimously to adjourn at 6:08 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Elizabeth G. Hulse  
Clerk to Council