

MINUTES

February 7, 2017

4:00 P.M.

Call to Order by Chairman Randy Ognio

Chairman Ognio called the February 7, 2017 Transportation Committee meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Chairman to acknowledge that a Quorum of the Transportation Committee is present.

The presence of a quorum was acknowledged. It was noted that Mayor Laggis of the Town of Woolsey was not present for the meeting.

Approval of the Agenda as published.

Mrs. Shayne Robinson moved to approve the Agenda as published. Commissioner Oddo seconded the motion. The motion passed 10-0-1 with Mr. Laggis was absent from the meeting.

MINUTES:

Approval of the January 10, 2017 Transportation Committee Meeting Minutes.

Ms. Robinson moved to approve the minutes. Mr. Christian seconded the motion. The motion passed 9-0-2 with Ellen Walls sustaining because she was not at the January 10 meeting and Mr. Laggis being absent.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE:

There was no Committee Report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

There were no unfinished business items for consideration.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Welcome the new City of Fayetteville representative to the Transportation Committee.

Commissioner Ognio introduced LaShawn Gardiner to the quorum. She will be representing the City of Fayetteville at the Transportation Committee meetings going forward.

The committee did not provide formal direction or vote on this item.

2. Georgia Department of Transportation, Mr. Tyler Peek, District Traffic engineer spoke of GDOT's position on multi-use systems.

Mr. Tyler Peek brought with him Katelyn Digioia and Landon Perry from Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) in Thomaston, GA to discuss golf cart and multi-use systems with the County's Transportation Committee. Mr. Peek opened up with stating that GDOT does not currently have longitudinal travel in the right of way by motorized vehicles. Mr. Peek advised that Peachtree City was a catalyst city in this endeavor. He also stated currently Peachtree City and Pine Mountain are the only cities with at-grade golf cart road crossing at signalized intersections. Mr. Peek asked of the Transportation Committee, "what impediments that Fayette County has, that he can help with".

Mr. Landon Perry, Program Management Department of GDOT, had question concerning golf cart drivers having state issued license, safety crossing areas on the highway and legal issues.

Mrs. Katelyn DiGioia, State Bicycle and Pedestrian Engineer, was taken on a tour earlier in the day to view the golf cart system we have in place in Peachtree City. She informed the Transportation Committee that she has not found another cart path system in her research. She also stated that the GDOT team of lawyers was researching any reference to golf cart travel and the laws associated with them. Commissioner Brown volunteered information on a path study in London that would provide insights of the benefits that multi-use paths bring to the area. A long discussion ensued.

The committee did not provide formal direction or vote on this item.

3. Georgia State Route 74 and Georgia State Route 54 Continuous Flow Intersection (CFI) discussion.

Mr. Landon Perry discussed new dates of project PI-0013726: Right of Way, construction and utility that will be delivered in the concept report due on 7/2/2017. He is managing a 30 million dollar budget to offer in highway improvement projects. SR 74 and SR 54 have a large number of left turn traffic that qualified for improvement. The CFI is scheduled for implementation in 2020.

4. Introduction and discussion Hwy 74 corridor study with the City of Fairburn.

Commissioner Ognio provided the Transportation Committee with an introduction of the agreement between Fayette County and the City of Fairburn. With the amount of time that has passed since the study has been approved the City of Fairburn has continued to develop the land alongside State Route 74. It was proposed if Fayette County should continue to do the study of the region. The members of the Transportation team agreed that if the study could reveal needed information that it should be done with the input of the City of Fairburn.

5. Transportation Committee Phil Mallon discussed project updates for East Fayetteville Bypass

An overview for of the existing East Fayetteville Bypass - S. Jeff Davis Dr. and Countyline Rd projects was given. Highway 54 widening is ready for construction in the summer of 2017. McDonough Road has been stalled because the change of consultants. The new consultants will re-evaluate concept report to research the need for widening the road. He announced that there was a Georgia Transportation Infrastructure Bank Grant February 23 meeting that is open to projects that have the initial study phase complete. ARC has a new call for projects it has a 90 day window closing on May 17.

ADJOURNMENT:

Ms. Robinson moved to adjourn the February 7, 2017 Transportation Committee meeting. Ms. Jaimi Tapp seconded the motion. The motion passed 10-0-1 with Mr. Laggis being absent.

Sherry Poorman, TC Secretary

Randy Ognio, Committee Chairman

The foregoing minutes were duly approved at an official meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Fayette County, Georgia, held on the 7th day of February 2017.

Tameca White, County Clerk