

# BEAUFORT COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE (BCTC)

## MEETING MINUTES

**From July 17, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Beaufort County Transportation Committee (BCTC) was held on July 17, 2019, in the County Council Chambers of the Beaufort County Administrative Complex located at 100 Ribaut Road, Beaufort, South Carolina.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Kraig Gordon, Mark McCain, Joseph Stroman, John Glover, Jim Backer, Craig Forrest, Christopher England, Stephen Hill

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Joe DeVito, Christopher England

**MEMBERS TARDY:** Luana Graves Sellars, 4:15pm

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Rob McFee, Beaufort County Engineering  
Darrin Shoemaker, Town of Hilton Head Island  
Jennifer Lyle, Town of Hilton Head Island  
Susan Larson, Lowcountry Inside Track  
Jason Martel, Preferred Materials  
Elizabeth Penn-Sanders, SCDOT

**Notification.** An audio recording of this meeting is available from the Beaufort County Engineering Department. Please contact the department at 843-255-2700 and request an audio copy. Power Point presentations given to the BCTC are available from the Beaufort County Engineering Department also.

1. **Call to Order & Members Roll Call.** Meeting was called to order at approximately 4:00 p.m. by Chairman Gordon and an attendance roll call was taken. A quorum was achieved for this meeting.
2. **Introductions and Public Comment.** No public comment.
3. **Approval of Minutes.** Meeting minutes from the July 17, 2019 meeting. Motion to defer approval to next meeting. Motion Approved.
4. **Old Business.**

A. **UPDATE ON RESURFACING YR 2**

*Rob McFee, PE, Beaufort County Engineering*

Discussed treatment types for each of the following roads: Buckwalter Parkway, Bluffton Parkway at Trotting Island Hill Lane, and Pembroke Drive.

B. **STATUS OF YEAR 3 ROAD PAVING**

*Rob McFee, PE, Beaufort County Engineering*

Process of cores on several subdivision roads to design the overlay. Will occur within the next couple weeks then the project will be out for letting. Advertising target of October with a minimum of 30 days receipt of bids. Discussed treatment types for each of the following roads: Rivers End, Persimmons Street, Sheridan Park Circle, and Starfish Drive.

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### C. UPDATE AECOM 170 STUDY

*Kraig Gordon, Chairman*

Webinar in June to discuss AECOM's findings on US 170, intersection before US 278 over to 462. The findings have not been finalized. Once obtained, will distributed for review. The study will provide information about future development on the west side of US 170 and how they are able to control traffic.

### D. UPDATE ON POPE AVENUE

*Jennifer Lyle, Town of Hilton Head Island*

Presentation of the 2.64 total lane miles of road resurfacing. Town of Hilton Head Island met with SCDOT to review project completion. Problems were identified to include edge of asphalt was either below or above the gutter lines, small divots and debris in surface, ripple effect in limited small area, small bump at pavement joint, and addressed two foot shoulders were needed at any sections were at curb and gutter. CTC funding total was \$850,000. A draft CTC Checklist for funding to be submitted after the meeting. Final documents target is next month. There are current issues between Hilton Head Island and the contractor, Quality Enterprises USA, about who will pay for the repairs.

### E. STATUS OF SCDOT 2019 PAVING PROJECTS

*Elizabeth Penn-Sanders, SCDOT Resident Maintenance Engineer*

Finalizing 2019 paving projects for resurfacing and preservation. Completed many items on SC 46, Buck Island S-29, S-141, S-482, along with preservation project on SC128 Savannah Hwy, SC170, and a few others. Items remaining for preservation include US21 near Whale Branch - Keans Neck Road and Clarendon Road. Following the preservation will include some resurfacing in the area. The last week of July will complete US 21 then moving to Bay Street S-6 in early October. Contract completion is scheduled for November.

## 5. New Business.

### A. REVIEW DIRT ROAD PAVING 1993-PRESENT

*Kraig Gordon, Chairman*

Chairman presented a letter to Stu Rodman that addresses were money has been spent from 1993-Present throughout the county on dirt road paving. A tabulation of money spent, projects completed, and miles of road was completed for each individual district. Chairman asked for Committee Members to make it a point to share this with their designated County Representative.

### B. FY 2019/2020 TRANSPORTATION PLAN

*Mark McCain, Chairman*

Asked for Committee Members to complete a review of the 2018/2019 and provide suggestions or modifications if needed. A draft of the 2019/2020 Transportation Plan will be presented at the September meeting. Will be requesting approval via vote in November.

### C. NEW BEAUFORT COUNTY ORGANIZATION CHART

*Kraig Gordon, Chairman*

Informational only.

### D. APPOINTMENT OF DISTRICT 9 REP FOR DAUFUSKI EASEMENTS

*Kraig Gordon, Chairman*

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At our last meeting, Rob McFee provided a document of the 5 Year Dirt Road Plan; County Council made changes and approved it. This is relevant as three roads, Church Road, School Road, and Prospect Road, came up on the future dirt road paving plan. Chairman received feedback from Daufuski Island Oversight Committee that the residents do not want any dirt roads paved on the island. Prospect Road, a legacy road, has been county maintained throughout the years though it is not county owned. Steve Hill, member of Daufuski Island Access, Easements and Road Committee, will proceed with assisting the county to obtain right-of-way. Mr. Hill shared community interest in road improvement of crush stone gravel treatment verse paving. Discussion of right-of-way procedures.

#### E. LATS UPDATE

*Kraig Gordon, Chairman*

Monthly meeting held by Lowcountry Area Transportation Study (LATS) addressed several items:

- 1) Resolution of Support for Hardeeville's SIB Application for Funding of I-95 Exit 3, approved.
- 2) LATS contributed \$54M to the resurfacing and widening of 4.2 miles along US-17. SCDOT coordinating with GDOT to widen Back River Bridge onto Talmadge Memorial Bridge. During soil analysis, found organic fill which needs soil stabilization. Additional estimated cost \$27M.

#### F. IS IT THE ASPHALT'S FAULT

*Kraig Gordon, Chairman*

Informational only.

#### G. STATUS OF SCDOT 2020 PAVING PROJECTS

*Elizabeth Penn-Sanders, SCDOT Resident Maintenance Engineer*

Waiting for commission approval.

6. **Treasurer's Report.** Discussed C Fund Balance, current, committed, uncommitted, non-recurring funds.
7. **Public Comment.** No public comment.
8. **Meeting Adjourned.** The next regular meeting the BCTC will be September 18, 2019 at 4:00 p.m., in the County Council Chambers, County Administration Building, Robert Smalls Complex, Beaufort, SC.