

BEAUFORT COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE (BCTC)

MEETING MINUTES

FROM July 20, 2022

The regular meeting of the Beaufort County Transportation Committee (BCTC) was held on March 17, 2022, at the County chambers, hosted by Beaufort County's County Channel.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kraig Gordon, Chairman, Joseph Stroman, Jim Backer, John Glover, Vice Chairman, Paul Manning, Craig Forrest, Arthur Handman

MEMBERS ABSENT (EXCUSED): Mark McCain, Brian Winslow

MEMBERS ABSENT (UNEXCUSED):

MEMBERS TARDY: Virginia Kozak, Luana Graves-Sellars

OTHERS PRESENT: Ms. Brittanee Fields, CIP Coordinator, Engineering
Ms. Ciara Hall, Administrative Assistant, Engineering
Mr. Eric Claussen, Director of Engineering
Mr. Bryan Bauer, Construction Project Manager
Ms. Stephanie Rossi, Planning Director, LCOG (virtual)
Ms. Theresa Maley (virtual)
Mr. Greg Moore, SCDOT Resident Construction Engineer
Ms. Suzanne Larson, Lowcountry Inside Track
Ms. Carrie Gorsuch, Engineering & Infrastructure Coordinator, City of Beaufort
Ms. Stephanie Rossi, Planning Director, LCOG
Ms. Elizabeth Penn-Sanders, SCDOT Resident Maintenance Engineer
Mr. Richard Turner, SC Program Services Lead, AMT Engineering
Mr. Jeff Andrews, APAC
Mr. Chris Herrochon, District & County Council
Ms. Morgan Jefferies, County Council
Ms. Anna-Marie Tabernik, Sun City Vice Chair Committee
Mr. Andy Whitefield, FME
Mr. Madison Devine, FME
Mr. Richard Turner, AMT
Mr. Rob McFee, SEPI
Mr. Van Willis, TOPR

Notification. A recording of this meeting is available from the Beaufort County's County Channel. Power Point presentations provided to the BCTC are also available from the Beaufort County Capital Projects Department.

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.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance.**
3. **Introductions and Public Comment.** No public comment.

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4. **Approval of Minutes.** Meeting minutes from the May 20, 2022, meeting. *It was moved by Mr. Backer seconded by Mr. Handman that committee approves the March 17th, 2021, meeting minutes. The Vote: YAYS: Joseph Stroman, John Glover, Vice Chairman, Virginia Kozak, Arthur Handman, Paul Manning, Craig Forrest, 7-1*

5. **Old Business.**

A. SCDOT FY 2021 & 2022 UPDATE

Mr. Greg Moore, SCDOT Resident Construction Engineer

The list of close out projects include US 21 N at SC 170 E for traffic safety improvement, multiple roads for road rehabilitation, SC 46 E and SC 170 E for road rehabilitation, and SC 70 E and S 163 N for road preservation are complete. The list of active projects in Beaufort County remains unchanged. The safety improvements on US 278 completion date have change to TBD because they are still working out the logistics with Edisto Contracting. US 278 Business for reconstruction has two sections Eastbound and Westbound, the contract was awarded to APAC. Still working on scheduling a pre-construction meeting for the project. S 406 E for road rehabilitation projected to be completed by the end of the month, however there may be a delay for completion. Contract 5656990 multiple roads for road reconstruction has been primary complete with work remaining in Jasper County, except for Drayton Drive a CMR has been scheduled in the next 3 weeks. Contract 5660410 was awarded to BLYTHE for the remaining half mile at the end of the Fripp Island bridge, the expected completion is within the next month. There are multiple roads on the project totaling 5.01 miles for rehabilitation to be complete, which should start after Labor Day and complete by June 2023. Upcoming projects include 5663110 for Primary Pavement Improvement Program, FA Secondary Pavement Improvement Program, and Non-FA Secondary Pavement Improvement Program. The construction for the projects will start in November 2022. The list of other projects includes US 278 Toll Road Conversion and US 278 Corridor Improvements update should be available at the next meeting.

B. DIRT ROAD PAVING CONTRACT #52 & #53 UPDATE

Mr. Bryan Bauer, Transportation Construction Manager

Dirt Road Paving Contract #52 includes Harrison Island, David Green, Wickecliff, and Wright Place. Currently Wickecliff, and Wright Place had been complete and punch list should occur in the next couple of days. Harrison Island is ongoing and should have asphalt within the next 3 to 4 weeks. Contract #53 includes Twickenham, Northview, and Rainbow Road. The surveys for all three roads have been completed and still in the design phase.

C. SC 170 UPDATE

Mr. Eric Claussen, Director of Engineering

The department is currently working on six projects (near term projects) along the corridor from 462 to US 278. Each of these segments have been resubmitted to SCDOT and District 6 and awaiting on approval. There are additional midterm projects associated with this project (phase two) Oldfield Subdivision, Del Webb, and Seagrass Station. Beaufort County will contribute \$1.5 million dollars, Jasper County 1 million dollars, and City of Hardeeville \$500,000 for the project.

D. STATUS OF RESURFACING YR. 5 & STATE SECONDARY COMMITTEE SELECTIONS

Mr. Bryan Bauer, Transportation Construction Manager

The 5-year resurfacing is on-going, and APAC is the contractor. Their portion expected to be complete by late August early September. Improvement for Soperton Drive has been granted for permission to access the road. Road work for Soperton should start in the next two to three weeks by APAC. \$25,400.00 will be paid from the TAG Fund.

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E. STATUS OF GOETHE RD.

Mr. Bryan Bauer, Transportation Construction Manager

Goethe Rd. is on hold and has been moved to 5-year resurfacing due to ADA improvement for sidewalks.

Proceeding with resurfacing Goethe Rd will start once the City of Bluffton complete the ADA improvement.

F. STATE SECONDARY < 500 ADT. UPDATE

Mr. Richard Turner, AMT

AMT Engineering has completed the road survey and data analysis for the roads. Mr. Turner gave a brief presentation of what was discussed and their plans going forward. Mr. Turner when over options for maintenance and preservation recommendations for the roads. 90% of these are in fair to good condition and 10% are in poor to very poor condition. Recommend moving forward with a combination of treatment types to keep the good roads in good condition while reducing the back log of failed roads. \$500,000 annual budget for years 2 - 5. Utilize a combination of Rehabilitation and Preservation Treatment Types to bring all roads to a good or better condition by the end of Year 5. The final report will be available in the next 30 days.

G. LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN

Ms. Stephanie Rossi, Planning Director LCOG

Plan for projects will be available at the next meeting.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. CHANGE ORDERS FOR APAC

Mr. Bryan Bauer, Transportation Construction Manager

APAC asked for consideration for a Change Order of \$120,000.00 to offset some additional cost for asphalt materials and gravel. The contract is for \$2 Million, and the increase is roughly 5.5% to 6% for the change order. Mr. Gordon stated once work is complete at the end of September and they have finite number for the amount, a change order can be submit at the next CTC meeting for review.

B. ROAD RESURFACING YEARS 7 & 8 PROPOSAL

Mr. Bryan Bauer, Transportation Construction Manager

A motion to award contract to F&ME for \$34,000.00 for those project level recommendations for Year 7 & 8.

The award was motion by Ms. Kozak, seconded by Mr. Manning for approval. The Vote: YAYS: Joseph Stroman, Jim Backer, Luana Graves-Sellars, John Glover, Vice Chairman, Mark McCain, Brian Winslow, Craig Forrest, Arthur Handman 9-0.

C. 2D & 3D PAVING

Mr. Eric Claussen, Director of Engineering

Mr. Jeff presented to the committee a summary of the 2D and 3D paving that he used on other projects.

D. PAVING TECHNOLOGY – MICRO SURFACING

Mr. Kraig Gordon, Chairman

Mr. Gordon presented to the committee two videos of the paving technology used.

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7. TREASURER'S REPORT

A. BI-MONTHLY REPORT

Mr. Jim Backer, Treasurer

8. Public Comment.

Ms. Anna-Marie Tabernik, Vice President of Sun City inquired updates on old business 5C about 170, Del Webb Sea Grass and Tide Watch intersections. Mr. Eric Claussen, advised that there was a couple of traffic studies done on Del Webb Sea Grass intersection by the City of Bluffton. The study showed that the intersection did not warrant for traffic signal. The City of Bluffton is looking into alternative methods for safety solutions for the intersections. The Traffic Engineer recommendation was RCUT or Reduced left–turn conflict for the intersection. The County is currently working with ACOM which is the designer for that project. On Tide Watch Road there was a request sent to the District Traffic Engineer for alterations for that intersection improvement. At this time the county is working with the district for both intersections, updates should be available at the next meeting.

9. Chairman Comments.

10. Meeting Adjourned. The next regular meeting the BCTC will be September 21, 2022, at 4:00 p.m., held in the County Council Chambers, County Administration Building, Robert Smalls Complex, Beaufort, SC.