

BEAUFORT COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE (BCTC)

MEETING MINUTES

FROM November 16, 2022

The regular meeting of the Beaufort County Transportation Committee (BCTC) was held on November 16, 2022, at the County chambers, hosted by Beaufort County's County Channel.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kraig Gordon (Chairman), Jim Backer (Treasurer), Joseph Stroman, Craig Forrest, Arthur Handman, Brian Winslow, Luana Graves-Sellars, Mark McCain

MEMBERS ABSENT (EXCUSED): Mark McCain, Paul Manning

MEMBERS ABSENT (UNEXCUSED): John Glover (Vice Chairman)

MEMBERS TARDY: Virginia Kozak

OTHERS PRESENT: Brittanee Fields, Transportation Program Manager, Engineering
Ciara Hall, Sr. Administrative Specialist, Engineering
Eric Claussen, Director of Engineering
Bryan Bauer, Transportation Construction Manager
Stephanie Rossi, Planning Director, LCOG
Carrie Gorsuch, Engineering & Infrastructure Coordinator, City of Beaufort
Suzanne Larson, Lowcountry Inside Track
Dan Fraser, City of Bluffton

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.
4. **Approval of Minutes.** Motion to approve meeting minutes from the September 21st CTC Meeting was *moved by Jim Backer and seconded by Arthur Handman. VOTE: YAYS: (8) Jim Backer, Joseph Stroman, Craig Forrest, Arthur Handman, Brian Winslow, Luana Graves-Sellars, Mark McCain, Kraig Gordon, Chairman / NAYS: (0)*
5. **Old Business.**

A. SCDOT FY 2022 & 2023 UPDATE

Mr. Greg Moore, SCDOT Resident Construction Engineer

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

Mr. Eric Claussen, Director of Engineering

Eric reported that Dirt Road Paving Contract #52 included Harrison Island, David Green, Wickecliff, and Wright Place. Currently, Harrison Island, David Green, Wickecliff, and Wright Place have been completed except for the punch lists items and David Green waiting for the closeout documents. Dirt Road Paving Contract #53 includes

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Twickenham, Northview, and Rainbow. Currently, in design and will start in a couple of months with construction next Spring.

C. SC 170 & TRIANGLE UPDATE

Mr. Jared Fralix, Assistant County Administrator - Infrastructure

Eric reported that nothing has changed on the plans along the SC 170 corridor from US 278 to SC 462. The updated plans have been resubmitted to SCDOT and the final bid package for this project is ready and awaiting those final comments. All right-of-way for this project has been acquired, the NOI has been sent to DHEC, and the department will put this project out to bid once approvals have been received. As part of the project, the four remaining ramps and a portion of US 278 at the interchange will be included in mill & fill, restriping, and capacity improvement as a part of this plan set. In addition, AECOM is working on a near term access management for US 278, which is the next step in the Triangle project. The Triangle project includes US 278 from Argent to SC 170, SC 170 from US 278 to Argent, and Argent Boulevard. County is working with AECOM for the overall Triangle project. County Council moved forward with a upfront funding of 6 million dollars for different project which includes 2 million going towards the initial design for the Triangle project.

D. STATUS OF RESURFACING YR. 5 & YEAR 6 BIDDING

Mr. Bryan Bauer, Transportation Construction Manager

Eric reported that the 5-year resurfacing plan is complete except for the punch list. The walk through was complete late October and punch list should be complete by the end of the month. Year 6 is in review and 3 different bid packages will be advertised late this month. The bid package for the project includes resurfacing, preservation, and rejuvenator for Year 6 projects.

E. STATE SECONDARY < 500 ADT. UPDATE ON BIDDING

Mr. Bryan Bauer, Transportation Construction Manager

Eric reported for the State Secondary Roads with < 500 ADT that the department is moving forward with the bid package for resurfacing and its currently in review; bid packages will be advertised late this month. The department is working on permits for the projects and documents should be submitted by mid-December to SCDOT.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. 2022/2023 TRANSPORTATION PLAN ADOPTION

Mr. Eric Claussen, Director of Engineering

Chairman Gordon provided a summary of the 2022/2023 Transportation Plan for approval, which he asked for comments from the Committee before the end the year so that the plan could be submitted to SCDOT on time.

B. FEBRUARY RETREAT

Kraig Gordon, Chairman

Chairman Gordon provided a brief summary and discussion regarding the February Retreat.

C. 2022/2023 MEEETING SCHEDULE

Ms. Ciara Hall, Sr. Administrative Specialist

Chairman Gordon shared the meet schedule for next year.

D. CONFLICT OF INTEREST & REAPPOINTMENT DOCUMENT

Ms. Ciara Hall, Sr. Administrative Specialist

Ciara provided Conflict of Interest and Reappointment documents to Committee Members.

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7. TREASURER'S REPORT

A. BI-MONTHLY REPORT

Mr. Jim Backer, Treasurer

8. Public Comment.

9. Chairman Comments.

10. Meeting Adjourned. The next regular meeting the BCTC will be January 18th, at 4:00 p.m., held in the County Council Chambers, County Administration Building, Robert Smalls Complex, Beaufort, SC.