

FAYETTE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes May 3, 2022, at 2:00PM

Committee Members Present:

Maurice Ungaro, Committee Vice-Chair – Staff, Town of Brooks
Kevin Madden – Citizen Representative, Peachtree City
Phil Mallon – Staff, Fayette County
(Proxy: Bryan Keller – Staff, Fayette County)
Debbie Bell – Staff, Fayette County
Jaimi Tapp – Citizen Representative, Town of Tyrone
(Proxy: Phillip Trocquet – Staff, Town of Tyrone)
JT Rabun – Citizen Representative, Fayette County
Martin Sas – Citizen Representative, Fayette County
Chris Hindman – Staff, City of Fayetteville
Vanessa Tigert – Staff, Fayette County

Committee Members Absent:

Chris Robison - Sgt., Fayette County Sheriff's Office
Citizen Representative, Town of Woolsey (no one has been appointed yet)

1. Call to Order

Vice-Chair Maurice Ungaro called the May 3, 2022, meeting to order at 2:00 PM.

2. Ascertainment of Quorum

Committee Vice Chair Ungaro acknowledged that a quorum of the Transportation Committee was present. Two members had a proxy in attendance for them: Bryan Keller for Phil Mallon and Phillip Trocquet for Jaimi Tapp.

3. Approval of Agenda

Kevin Madden made a motion to approve the agenda; Martin Sas seconded the motion. The agenda was approved unanimously.

4. Review and Approval of the April 12, 2022, Transportation Committee Meeting Minutes

Kevin Madden made a motion to accept the meeting minutes; Martin Sas seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Mr. Ungaro introduced new committee members Vanessa Tigert and JT Rabun.

5. Reports of Committee Members

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- a. **Brooks** – The Town will have a presentation of new traffic control measures under New Business.
- b. **Fayette County:**
 - Grand opening of roundabout at Brogdon & New Hope was April 26, 2022. It is functioning well and was completed under budget.
 - The Hampton Road/SR 92 roundabout – There is an issue with the location of AGL line – it is in a private easement, which means that the County will be responsible for the costs of relocation. AGL is potholing to identify exact location and depth.
 - BOC Retreat May 13 – we will present 2023 SPLOST requests, including transportation requests.
- c. **Fayetteville:**
 - Walked path for Hwy 54 path project from Togwatee Village to School
 - The Pedestrian Bridge is about 6-8 months from completion. The bridge will be prefabricated and is in fabrication now.
- d. **Peachtree City:**
 - At the April meeting, we discussed planning meetings at various municipalities – Mr. Madden volunteered PTC to host the September meeting, if approved by board. The Committee will meet in the Floy Farr Room at the PTC Library. PTC Police Dept will give a presentation on their Golf Cart Safety Program. They need to know time frame for presentation.
 - Mr. Ungaro noted that this board's meeting is postponed to September 13 because of Labor Day Holiday. Mr. Madden will see if that date is available to PTC library and PD.
 - Crosstown roundabout – right turn lanes under construction to provide interim alternative to assess if roundabout is the desired outcome.
- e. **Tyrone:**
 - Staff floated some SPLOST transportation ideas at the March Retreat of the Town Council. Staff has a comprehensive list of transportation needs and need to filter what will be allocated to SPLOST.
 - The Town is nearing the end of Comprehensive Plan update. They have many streets that are 25 mph or less and are considering environmental design changes like striping and traffic islands to make roads friendlier to pedestrians and carts. These changes will definitely be made on Senoia Road and in the downtown area. This is a less expensive option than building paths. Many of these design ideas are from FHWA Rural Design Guide.
 - Senoia Road and Palmetto roundabout – will require @ 2 acres acquisition, but property is undeveloped.

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- Crabapple/Senoia/Rockwood -traffic study recommendations are that realignment and a 4-way stop needed.

- f. **Woolsey** – no representative yet, no updates from Mayor Laggis.
- g. **Other Members** – no comments

6. Public Comment

- a. **Randy Ognio** offered a recommendation that the Committee look at problem areas now and try to generate a list for long-range planning purposes. This will prepare for GDOT/ARC and Federal funding opportunities. Examples of projects are:
 - PTC 54/74 is a primary need. Suggestions for improvements include:
 - No right-turn on red for southbound 74 traffic
 - Grade separation – This is generally considered an effective solution but is cost-prohibitive
 - Another option for SB 54 to Coweta might be a bridge lane dedicated to thru traffic
 - Extending Stagecoach Road to accommodate new school traffic.

7. Unfinished Business

- a. **Truck routes / no truck routes** – The County has a preview of a draft presentation for the BOC's May 13 retreat.
 - Maurice Ungaro reminded members that the Transportation Committee voted to advance this to BOC. It was remanded to staff and County Attorney, whose recommendation was to designate certain roads as NO THRU TRUCK routes in order to try to direct trucks to more desirable routes.
 - Bryan Keller presented a summary of the recommendations that will be presented to the BOC at the Retreat on May 13.
 - NO TRUCK routes will prohibit everything Class 6 and above that does not have a destination on the specified route.
 - Candidate Roads
 - Buckeye Road – staff suggested removing this from the list. Some of it is unpaved so is not an attractive route for trucks anyway.
 - Jenkins Road – already designated as NO THRU TRUCKS; recommend maintaining that designation.
 - Brogdon Road – already designated as NO THRU TRUCKS. Staff recommends removing it from the list, not an attractive route for trucks anyway. Truck traffic is minimal.
 - Gingercake Road - already designated as NO THRU TRUCKS [over 8000 lbs]. Staff recommends keeping this designation, try to direct traffic to Veterans Parkway. Chris Hindman

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noted that GDOT is investigating Ginger Cake at 54 intersection for improvements

- Newton Road - already designated as NO THRU TRUCKS; recommend maintaining that designation
 - Ebenezer Church Road – staff recommends posting this road NO THRU TRUCKS. This will also keep trucks off Lester Road.
 - Redwine Road – staff recommends removing it from the list. Most trucks are likely to follow SR 85, which is a better road.
 - Hampton Road – west – from SR 92 to Antioch Road – add to NO THRU TRUCK list and direct trucks to Goza Road.
 - Lowery Road – Grant Road to SR 92 – add to NO THRU TRUCK list and divert trucks to Goza Road
 - W. McIntosh Road – Add to list formally. Needs to be coordinated with Spalding County, although it is already designated as NTT in Spalding.
 - Hwy 85 Connector – Intersections at both 85 and 16. Need to coordinate w Spalding County.
- There was a general discussion about enforcement, which would technically be the responsibility of the State Dept of Motor Vehicle Safety.

b. Continued discussion of future Transportation Committee Meeting topics.

8. New Business

- Town of Brooks – Traffic Control Signs and Data Collection - Sign Upgrades (Maurice Ungaro) – New radar signs and intersection sign upgrades
 - Speeding – when the county put out the portable signs, these were effective in alerting drivers, and they slowed down. Speed tables downtown helped also.
 - Radar speed signs – The new signs are permanent solar-powered, pole-mounted. Data updates to cloud every 15 minutes.
- Intersection conflicts – Hwy 85 and Morgan Mill. The location does not warrant a 4-way stop. NB traffic exceeds 45 mph speed limit. Intersection is angled. Solar powered, pole mounted – INTERSECTION AHEAD and STOP signs.

9. Adjournment: Vanessa Tigert made a motion to adjourn; Kevin Madden seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 3:12 PM.

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