

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

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Meeting Minutes

April 4, 2023, at 1:30 PM

Woolsey Town Hall

1. Call to Order – Maurice Ungaro @ **1:31pm**
 - History of Woolsey presented by Mayor Gary Laggis.
2. Ascertainment of Quorum – **9 of 11 members present**, including Maurice Ungaro, Chris Hindman, David Borkowski, Phillip Trocquet (for Jaimi Tapp), Martin Sas, Caitlin Store, Lt. Gary Farr (for Sgt. Kris Purkey), Phil Mallon, and Paola Kimbell.
3. Approval of Agenda – Marty/Chris **Approved**.
4. Approval of February 2023 Meeting Minutes – Hindman/Sas **Approved** with no edits.
5. Report of Committee Members
 - a. **Brooks** – Maurice Ungaro, Brooks Town Manager
 - Morgan Mill resurfacing moved to May, jumping on County’s Micro paving contract so the whole road will be covered under County contract.
 - Crash report run from September 2022 shows only 1 accident since the LED signs were install.
 - b. **Fayette County** – Phil Mallon, Director of Public Works
 - Welcome to Brook Macayan, Fayette County’s new Administrative Specialist. Mrs. Macayan will be assisting with the Transportation Committee.
 - Martin Sas’ Citizen Representative position on the Committee is being posted for application. The deadline to apply is April 14.
 - Fayette County received a citizen request for all-way stop at Old Greenville Rd. and Goza Rd. Staff is evaluating, along with other options to improve safety. One idea is to obtain an easement and cut back vegetation along the north side of Goza, east of Old Greenville. Keith Larson said bikes use Goza and Old Greenville frequently. He believes a combination of higher speed and limited sight distance cause the problems at this intersection. Consider LED caution ahead signs. Mr. Ungaro asked if there are many rear-end crashes as vehicles slow to turn?
 - Hood Ave – 92/Gingercake Road, a BOE employee suggested extending a path/sidewalk along Hood from SR 92 to Gingercake Rd. Mr. Hindman said that would require a lot of grading work and an expensive crossing of Gingercake Creek.

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- Hood Rd. at Sharon Ct – A property owner contacted Public Works to request safety improvements on Hood Road at Sharon Ct curve. Paola Kimbell is pulling the crash history and scheduling a field visit to look at options.
- The ARC TIP solicitation has been pushed back to Spring 2024. The delay is due to ARC staff availability and lack of substantial funds for FY 2023 and 24 – most of the money is accounted for.
- As of early March, NOFOs associated with the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) dealt with carbon capture. A review of recent IIJA awards reveals information as to what USDOT/FHWA are looking for:
- **Reconnecting Communities**
 - \$185M awarded Nationwide, 1 in 10 got funded.
 - Awards were capped at 50% project cost.
 - Most money going to rebuilding old infrastructure (pre-NEPA) that isolated or impacted communities.
- **Pending NOFO – Ride and Drive Electric. Focus Area:**
 - Enhance EV charging resiliency.
 - Meet Justice 40 Goals.
 - Deployment in all areas.
 - Workforce development.
 - Improve EVCI performance reliability – the charging stations must work. New standard published by the Joint Office of Energy and Transportation on 2/28
- Phillip Trocquet said Tyrone is talking with Coweta Fayette EMC about a program to install Level 2 charging stations. EMC will install and operate if Town pays. Revenue will be split until the infrastructure is paid off. Steve Jones is the contract. Applied for street scaping. EV element in for parking. David Borkowski said Peachtree City is also exploring charging stations at city hall.
- HB 189 – Increases truck loads by 10% to 88,000 lbs. No impact to Fayette. Lumber, timber, and agricultural only – exclusive of the 13 metro counties. Keith Larson said there was also a bill to pass to require front license plates on all vehicles.
- d. Fayetteville** – Chris Hindman, Director of Public Services
 - High priority trail – costs presented to City Council in March. >\$10m
 - Call Boxes/Amenities (Redwine & The Ridge)
 - City Center Pwky – updating traffic study, acquiring ROW. To be completed this month.
- e. Peachtree City** – David Borkowski, City Engineer
 - Received paving bid – 50% increase in unit cost on lowest bid.
 - 54/74 Left turn project pushed backed to October for ROW (No timeline)
- f. Tyrone** – Phillip Trocquet, Assistant Town Manager
 - Roundabout at Palmetto Rd and Arrowwood
 - POND Engineering did light design – 40 lights.

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- Finalizing design, moving to ROW, landscaping, and lighting plan.
- DRI on SR 74 & Jenkins – New name “Greenway Commerce Park”. GDOT to force a R-cut for entrance on Jenkins Rd. (J-cut North)
- Trail Projects
 - Tyrone Rd Trail - acquired all ROW, in final design.
 - Senoia Rd Trail to SR 74 exit ramp – Prelim design, private property.
- Street scaping along Partner’s Pizza. Traffic calming and planted median with brick paver crosswalks (Mr. Hindman recommends stamped concrete).
- Lighting plan expensive – Steve Jones had lighting plans done free for roundabouts.
- All-way stop going in at Crabapple and Rockaway. (POND)

- g. Woolsey – Caitlin Storc, Citizen Representative**
 - Traffic on Hampton Rd. – speed issue, exploring options (Signs/traffic calming devices). Request for Sheriff’s Deputy presence, temporary radar sign on Hampton.
 - Woolsey has a 2023 SPLOST project dedicated to sidewalk along Hampton Rd. School buses stop at 2 subdivision entrance, request to add crosswalk/sidewalk to church.
 - Narrow the lanes with restriping project
 - Roundabout project – desired by residents

h. Other Members

- Mr. Hindman – noted GDOT starting on the SR 85 bridge replacement and asked with they agreed to stamped concrete along bridge rails. Mr. Mallon said yes but paperwork still being completed.

6. Public Comment

- Keith Larson – keith.larson@bellsouth.net
 - SPLOST passed by 10% more, Congratulations county/cities.
 - Appeal to move pedestrian projects to midpoint, please do not wait until the end of the 2023 SPLOST.
 - March 23, 2023, ARC Regional Safety Action Plan now available. Fayette has over representation of crashes in several areas: **departures, intersections, and bicycles.**
 - May – National Walking and Biking Month
- Mr. Ungaro – Town of Brooks notice that it is illegal to place yard waste in the ROW or in a neighbor’s property.

Mr. Larson - Equity Inclusion – Projects targeting Kenwood area, this is a specific disadvantage census block, along with one in PTC. Mr. Larson will volunteer to collaborate with committee on this. He noted the Master Path Plan recommendations and 2017 & 2023 SPLOSTs as examples of

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efforts to address equity and inclusion (100 miles – Golfcarts main vehicle). Also noted that PTC has Section 8 housing and is a bike-friendly community.

- Mr. Mallon – STRAVA is one tool for measuring pedestrian, bike, and golf cart use, but how to assess latent demand? Mr. Trocquet noted the LCI biking and walking propensity analysis that identifies destinations based on human behavior.

7. Unfinished Business

- **Update on SS4A / Safety Action Plan**

Mrs. Kimbell explained Fayette County is completing the Agreement document with FHWA. Once that is finalized, we will start the procurement process to hire the project team, hopefully in the summer.

8. New Business

- **2017 SPLOST – County Quarterly Update (Mallon)**
 - Phil provided status table of the projects (see attached)
- **2023 SPLOST – Priority Projects and Implementation Discussion**
 - Fayetteville – Veterans Pwky resurfacing.
 - Tyrone – SPLOST resurfacings needed and downtown improvements.
 - PTC – No update on how to prioritize things.
 - Brooks – Culvert and intersection improvement on 85C/Brooks Woolsey
 - County – getting input from Administration on projected cash flow. The intersection project of Bank & Ellis is a top priority.

9. Adjournment – Motion to adjourn @ 3:15 Hindman/Mallon

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