

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

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Meeting Minutes

January 9, 2024 at 1:30 PM

1. Call to Order – **Maurice Ungaro @ 1:33 pm**
2. Ascertainment of Quorum 11 of 11 members present, including **Maurice Ungaro, Cajen Rhodes (for Chris Hindman), John Schnick (for David Borkowski), Jaimi Tapp, Caitlin Storc, Sgt. Kris Purkey, Martin Sas, J.T. Rabun, Phil Mallon, Paola Kimbell, and Vanessa Tigert.**
3. Approval of Agenda – **Tigert/Rabun (11:0)**
4. Approval of November 14, 2023 Meeting Minutes – **Rabun/Mallon (11:0)**
5. Report of Committee Members
 - a. Brooks – **Maurice Ungaro**, Brooks Town Manager
 - Mr. Ungaro noted that the LMIG Projects have been mapped out for the upcoming year. There is a proposal to provide parking along Church Alley to support public events.
 - Mr. Ungaro reminded the committee that there is an on-call contract about debris/tornados. Declaration for disaster, Debris Clearing Contract.
 - b. Fayette County – **Phil Mallon**, Director of Public Works
 - Mr. Mallon welcomed Chelsae Gill-James, Senior Planner with the ARC as a guest to the meeting.
 - Mr. Mallon notified the committee of Sid Bedenbaugh – new(er) transportation planner for Coweta County.
 - The conversion to an all-way stop at Goza Road and Old Greenville Road is complete.
 - The traffic signal at Tyrone Road and Flat Creek Trail is installed and operating. County staff is monitoring the intersection to see if timing adjustments are needed.
 - Mr. Ungaro said comments from Facebook state the roundabout at Redwine, Bernhard, and Peachtree Pkwy is too narrow for large vehicles.
 - Mr. Mallon said U.S. Soccer is planning to build their headquarters and national training complex in Fayette County, along Veterans Parkway. He said staff is looking at ways to assess the cumulative traffic impacts of this project and others on Tyrone Road, Sandy Creek Road, Veterans Parkway, etc. Mr. Ungaro mentioned how ARC could help with either CTP and/or any studies.

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- ARC is seeking County input on the need or desire to update the CTP as part of the 2024 batch.
 - ARC's TIP solicitation window is set for March 4th to May 5th.
 - Fayette County is seeking funding through GDOT's Low Impact Bridge Program to replace an existing wood bridge on Tri County Road.
 - Mr. Mallon suggested a review of 2023 SPLOST transportation projects delivery schedule by each jurisdiction at the next meeting.
- c. Fayetteville – **Cajen Rhodes**, Assistant Director of Public Services
- Mr. Rhodes informed the committee that the stormwater drainage improvements at Booker Avenue, Creekwood Trail, Stephens Avenue, and North Park Drive are 95% complete. Final walkthrough for the project is set for 01/10/24.
 - Fayetteville is in the process to update signage in school zones.
 - The city is in design of the City Center Parkway, which will be a new road extending from SR 85 to Grady Avenue. It is expected that the intersection with SR 85 would be signalized.
 - Mr. Rhodes also noted that Travis Alley (located behind Twisted Taco and the other businesses along SR 85) is being considered for widening, lighting, more parking. The project will be value-engineered.
 - The city is identifying future LMIG projects.
 - Mr. Rhodes said the city is looking at path alignment options for the Ridge, and that Fayetteville completed a sound study for the Wastewater Treatment Plant.
- d. Peachtree City – **John Schnick**, Assistant City Engineer
- The contract for the 54/74 DLT project has been awarded. The construction start date is not yet known but once started the duration is expected to be 36 months. The project had a \$12 million estimate, but the lowest bid was \$18 million.
- e. Tyrone – **Jaimi Tapp**, Citizen, Town of Tyrone
- Mrs. Tapp noted that new all-way stop at Senoia Road, Crabapple Lane, and Rockwood Road is active.
- f. Woolsey – **Caitlin Storc**, Citizen, Town of Woolsey
- Mrs. Storc re-emphasized the speeding concerns on Hampton Rd.
 - Mrs. Storc also re-emphasized that the Town roads continue to deteriorate. Mr. Mallon confirmed that the contract for resurfacing includes Hampton Rd for this calendar year.
 - Mr. Mallon and Mrs. Kimbell attended the Woolsey Town Hall meeting in December. Approval was given from town council to proceed with ROW acquisition. The town council noted concerns about emergency vehicle traffic and Mr. Mallon said the issue has been discussed with the Fire

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Department but no feasible alternative, other than using the roundabout to travel north on SR 92, was identified.

- g. Sheriff's Office – **Sgt. Kris Purkey**, Fayette County Sheriff's Office
 - Sgt. Purkey noted a fatal crash on Longview Rd in the lake and requested guardrail be added. Mr. Mallon said guardrail will be provided as part of the dam reconstruction project, which is entering the CST phase.
 - h. Water System – **Vanessa Tigert**, Director of Water System
 - The large meter replacement phase of the meter upgrade project has started. It will be a 2 year project.
 - i. Citizen Representative
 - No updates.
6. Public Comment
- a. Randy Ognio
 - i. Mr. Ognio noted that he has noticed an improvement on the traffic signal on Hwy 85 and Bernhard Rd.
 - ii. Mr. Ognio noted that material prices for roads (gravel) have increased 18%.
 - iii. Mr. Ognio asked why the Hwy 85 Bridge Project is delayed. Fayette County is seeking an explanation from GDOT.
 - b. Clint Holland
 - i. Mr. Holland asked if any further discussions regarding the Starr's Mill Tunnel could be had about moving the location of the project. Mr. Mallon noted that he would talk to Mr. Rapson.
 - ii. Mr. Holland also noted that the traffic signal timing on SR 54 and SR 74 has improved.
 - c. Keith Larson
 - i. Mr. Larson notified the committee that Ms. Patty Pitman was introduced to PTC and Tyrone. Mr. Larson noted that a group had a field visit and realized that a few pedestrian beacons needed to be fixed. A ticket to fix these beacons was put in.
 - ii. Mr. Larson also notified the committee that Georgia is reaching an average of 5 traffic fatalities a day. Mr. Larson is working with GA Bikes and Bike Law GA to increase penalties. Mr. Larson is also working on educating and informing drivers of changes in the law.
7. Unfinished Business
- a. Consideration of 2024 Meeting Schedule and Location.

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- i. Mrs. Tigert asked if the Water System could host the May 7th meeting instead of March 5th. The committee agreed. **ACTION The Committee approved the 2024 Meeting Schedule. Motion by Mr. Mallon, seconded by Mr. Rabun. Motion carried 11-0-0.**

8. New Business

a. Safety Action Plan Procurement Update (Fayette County)

- i. Mr. Mallon noted that the draft procurement package was sent to the county's Purchasing Department.
- ii. Mrs. Kimbell said Fayette would be seeking volunteers for the review committee.

b. MUTCD 11th edition Notable Changes (Keith Larson / Paola Kimbell)

- i. See attached slides.
- ii. Mr. Larson noted that traffic control does not equal speed control, and that many of the changes placed emphasis on bike and pedestrian safety.

c. Tyrone MUP & Street Design Strategies (Phillip Trocquet)

- i. See attached slides.
- ii. Mr. Trocquet gave examples of path design issues that couldn't follow the design guidelines, and asked if an update to the document should be considered as a future action item.
- iii. Other future considerations by the Town include road diets to reduce vehicle speed.

9. Adjournment - @ 3:32 pm Ungaro/Tapp (11:0)

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4. Tyrone representative	Jaimi Tapp <i>Citizen, Town of Tyrone</i>	
5. Woolsey representative	Caitlin Storc <i>Citizen, Town of Woolsey</i>	
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