FAYETTE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes

January 14, 2025 at 1:30 PM

Fayetteville City Hall

Training Room

210 Stonewall Ave W., Fayetteville, GA 30214

- **1.** Call to Order Maurice Ungaro @ 1:30 PM
- **2.** Ascertainment of Quorum- Maurice Ungaro, JT Rabun, Phil Mallon, Paola Kimbell, Vanessa Tigert, Karen Graiser. Quorum was established at 1:30, Mr. Borkowski and Mr. Trocquet arrived after quorum had been established.
- **3.** Elections
 - a. Election of Chair Mr. Mallon nominates Mr. Ungaro to continue holding the position of Chairman. Ms. Tigert second the nomination. The motion passed unanimously.
 - b. Election of Vice Chair Mr. Mallon nominates Mr. Rabun to continue holding the position of Vice-Chairman. Ms. Tigert second the nomination. The motion passed unanimously.
 - c. Election of Secretary Mr. Mallon nominated Mrs. Peters to become the Secretary. Mr. Rabun second the nomination. The motion passed unanimously.
- **4.** Approval of Agenda- Motion to accept agenda by Tigert/Rabun was approved (6:0).
- **5.** Approval of December's Meeting Minutes- The approval of December's minutes was tabled until the next meeting.
- 6. Report of Committee Members
 - **a.** Brooks
 - The design phase for Hwy 85C and West McIntosh Road project for Pedestrian Enhancements has been completed. The next phase will be awarding the contract.
 - The Church Alley Improvements are now in the design phase.
 - **b.** Fayette County

- The Inclement weather on January, 10 2025 resulted in 31 Fire/EMS calls; Road Department deployed crews from Friday morning to Saturday mid-afternoon. The crews plowed snow, spread salt and gravel, and removed fallen trees.
- Due to increase accidents at the intersection of Lowery Road and Lowery Drive a traffic study was conducted. It was determined that the need for additional signage and striping to include wider white shoulder line, and additional delineators.
- Atlanta Regional Commission's (ARC) Transportation Coordinating Committee (TCC) has implemented a new schedule for 2025. The Committee will meet in person on the first Friday of each month, with periodic roundtable/workshop sessions during the year. The focus for 2025 is electrification, public engagement, freight, and safety performance.
- The Hampton Road and Hwy 92 Roundabout planning and design is ongoing. The County has plans to meet with the owner of the Chevron gas station on Hwy 92, to discuss the need for delivery trucks to make a left turn into the gas station.
- **c.** Fayetteville Not Present
- d. Peachtree City- Nothing To Report
- e. Tyrone
 - The opening bid for the Roundabout for Palmetto Road, Arrowwood Road, and Spencer Lane will begin on January 14, 2025. The bid will include the incorporation of 12ft multi use paths and a realignment of Spencer Lane.
- f. Woolsey
 - Request that the County correct sign placement for the no parking along portions of Hill Ave.
 - Request the removal of Rumble strips on Antioch Road. Mr. Mallon stated that evaluation for removal will be after six months and will include a review of crash data.
 - Requested an update on the barrel removal for the turning lane at Winn Way. Mr. Mallon stated that the goal of the County is to create an All-way stop, which would eliminate the right turn lane on Winn Way. Mr. Ungaro recommended a raised median in lieu of removing the right turn lane. Mr. Mallon stated that he would review the recommended alternative with Staff.

- g. Fayette County Water System- Nothing To Report
- h. Fayette County Sheriff's Office Not Present
- i. Citizen Representatives- Nothing To Report
- 7. Public Comment

Clint Holland

- Requested clarification on the IGA and timeline for Redwine Road Tunnel Project. Mr. Holland stated on Robinson Road and Hollygrove it was believed that the clearing exceeded the 8-14ft that was outlined in the IGA. Mr. Mallon explained that the LOD was per agreement with Fayette County and Peachtree City Staff. The 8-14 ft limit was arbitrary, and the clearing limits was determined based on grading needed to accommodate the construction of the path and tunnel.
- Peachtree City is once again advancing the SR 54 Corridor study, hopefully with the participation of Fayette County and Coweta County.
- A multi-use bridge that will cross over SR 54 to connect McIntosh High School and Booth Middle School is in the design phase. This is part of a Safe Routes to School initiative and will be a SPLOST funded project.

Keith Larson

- The Peachtree City Transportation Advisory Group (TAG) meets twice a month. Currently the TAG is reviewing and providing recommendations for Peachtree City's Master Path Plan. The TAG will present the plan to the Peachtree City Council for approval. This will be the input to the CTP Update.
- Peachtree City will be using the tree bank to assist in replanting trees along the Redwine Tunnel Project.
- People for Bikes City Ratings will proceed in 2025. If there are any updated open street maps, bicycle lanes or multi use paths they will need to be submitted by the end of February.
- AASHTO released a 5th edition Guide for the Development of Bicycle Facilities. Recommends that Fayette County purchase a subscription and provide each municipality with a login. Noted that each account comes with 10 digital logins.

- USDOT released the 2024 Safe Streets and Road award implementation grants. There were 70 cities nationwide that were selected and resulted in over \$800,000,00 awarded in implementation grants.
- USDOT has updated its bicycle and pedestrian funding opportunity spreadsheet. <u>Pedestrian and Bicycle Funding Opportunities: U.S.</u> <u>Department of Transportation Transit, Safety, and Highway Funds | US</u> <u>Department of Transportation</u>.
- GDOT has also released its Grant summary spreadsheet.
- ARC has been awarded a \$2M grant for a region-wide bicycle active transportation network update.
- Mr. Larson stated that he has been in conversation with ARC Planning Coordinator Eric Meyer regarding Three Rivers Regional Commission two most recent DRI reviews. Mr. Larson has also submitted alternative transportation assessments for those DRIs. Also noted the need for a corridor study which involves SR 85, Hwy 16, SR 54 and 34. The concern is that the cumulative impact of multiple developments will bring an additional 50,000 vehicles per day coming into Fayette County from neighboring Counties on a narrow road network. Mr. Mallon suggested a meeting between Coweta County, Fayette County, Peachtree City, GDOT and possibly ARC to review the DRIs and share knowledge and resources. Mr. Unagro requested that the 54 Corridor could also include SR 16 and SR 34 of Coweta County.
- **8.** Unfinished Business
- **9.** New Business
 - a. Banks Rd and Ellis Rd Presentation of Concepts- Paola Kimbell
 - Mr. Ungaro recommended the traffic signal with the understanding that future developments could have an impact on the Banks Road and Ellis Road intersection.
 - Mr. Larson suggested that the County align the roundabout with Allenwood Road. Mr. Mallon stated the staff will review that option.
 - Mr. Trocquet recommended that a traffic calming by placing a center median with the traffic signal to improve safety.
 - Mr. Holland inquired if the roundabout design criteria made for accommodating commercial size trucks. Mr. Mallon replied with a yes.
 - **b.** Fayette County SPLOST Update
 - c. Fayette County Path Planning
- **10.** Adjournment at 2:30 pm Tigert/Mallon (6:0)